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Alderman in role of club speaker, gives history of town water system

Alderman Dr. Jean-Paul Dorion addressed fellow members of the Richelieu Club last week on the subject of Lachute's water supply, leading up to the filtration plant which is presently a major community project. Dr. Dorion had conducted some extensive research into the history of Lachute's water system dating back to 1880.

Principal instigator of a pipeline supply in that year was Pierre Rodrigue (father of the late Dr. A. Rodrigue and proprietor of the Main Street hotel now known as the Laurentien). Another citizen named Stewart was associated with Mr. Rodrigue in promoting the venture.

Wood and labor were cheap in that early era, and cedar pipes of 2-inch bore were manufactured during the winter seasons. These were bored with a hand auger, and it is interesting to note that the work was carried on where the Niederkorn apartment house now stands, at the corner of Hugh and Main. Recollections are handed down from the late Aquila Bedard, who as a boy, among other young-fry was attracted as a spectator to this new and intriguing activity.

It was in the summer that the pipes were laid, and the installation was completed from Davis' Creek, as far as Barron's Bridge in centre-town, by 1884. Actually, however, this was nearing the extremity of habitation, for the "west end" was only just beginning. The Wilson mill was scarcely completed at that time, and Hamelin & Ayers employed only a dozen-or-so men.

Offshoots of the original main extended right and left as the town settled and expanded, and in 1905 Pierre Rodrigue sold out to Laurentian Water and Power Company, owned by Mayor Prefontaine of Montreal.

Mr. Prefontaine undertook to replace the wooden pipes with cast-iron pipe of 5-inch diameter, from Davis' Creek right into Lachute. (This, by American continental standards, is now considered a "bastard" size; but the development explains why the unusual diameter of pipe still exists in certain sections of the local system.)

In 1910 under the mayoralty of Notary Evariste Valois (grandfather of the present notarial family here), Lachute entered a transaction with the proprietor and acquired the waterworks system for $40,000.

The town was growing, and the demand increasing, so Council decided to lay an 8-inch iron pipe beside the 5-inch main installed by Mr. Préfontaine. A loan of $60,000 was issued — $40,000 to buy the acqueduct and $20,000 to install the 8-inch pipe.

The population and water consumption continued to increase, and in 1930 the merits of Pollock's Falls and Lake Sir John were exploited, and a referendum was held on laying of a 12-inch conduit from Lake Sir John.

In 1936, on the agitation of Dr. J. H. Mason as mayor, it was decided to lay a 14-inch cast-iron pipe alongside the existing 8-inch conduit. This work was undertaken in the winter of 1936-37, with the late Dr. Alexandre Rodrigue succeeding to the mayoral office.

In 1938-39 representations were forthcoming from the Department of Health urging chlorination of the town's water supply. This decision was finally taken in 1939-40, in the mayoral term of Wm. S. MacKimmie. A Patterson chlorinator, of English manufacture, was ordered; but World War II had intervened, and the chlorinator remained on the dock awaiting shipment. It reached here in 1941; new occupant of the mayoral office in that year was the late Hector Lamarche.

As the years passed, water consumption increased, and the impurities increased also. Filtration was the next imperative move — with exigencies of water pressure always in mind — and this brings us to the present project, extending the intake and installing a filter at the Pollock site.

Ald. Dr. Dorion here reviewed the details of construction, and also touched upon the financing of the project. The construction was outlined briefly as follows:

(1) Laying of two 16-inch conduits from Pollock's Falls to the present intake, and to continue with 8-inch and 14-inch lines with eventual objective of a large-size conduit to the town.

(2) Building of a dam at the Pollock site, 70 feet higher than the present intake, thus increasing water pressure in Lachute from 15 to 25 lbs. according to vicinity of outlets.

(3) To build a filtration plant to provide water, if not more sanitary, certainly purer and more agreeable to both sight and taste.

Financing

Dr. Dorion's exposé on methods of financing invites suggestions which may offer guidance to the Council. For this reason it is made the subject of an editorial this week, on page 7.

Move to eliminate duplication of house numbers, street names

The postal department and the local Chamber of Commerce made joint representations this week before the Lachute and Ayersville municipal councils, to reach some mutual agreement for house-numbering on Hammond, Ayers, Hamford and Chatham Streets.

Hammond, Ayers and Chatham Streets start in Lachute and continue into Ayersville, and it appears there is a duplication of house numbers in the two municipalities, which creates difficulties for the postmen. As for Hamford, this is the dividing line between the two towns; the east side is in Lachute and the west side in Ayersville.

According to Postmaster Florian Guitard, who is a director of the Chamber of Commerce — this anomaly was accepted at the time, in order to hasten the mail delivery system; but this service has now been operating four years. Besides the mail couriers, others are affected by this difficulty — businessmen, residents and visitors from out-of-town.

Same Street Names

The Chamber of Commerce civic improvements committee, at request of the postal authorities, is also seeking to change certain street names. Gilbert and Charles, for instance, are duplicated in the two municipalities, while Roy Street (Ayersville) and Ray Street (Lachute) very often are confused through similarity of the handwritten "o" and "a".

At the Ayersville Council, with Mayor Gaetan Paquette presiding, the matter was turned over to Councillors Raymond Champagne and Gerard Gauthier, for a conference with Lachute authorities to give satisfaction to all concerned. . . . The same request was submitted at Lachute Council on Wednesday evening.

Business under co-op syndicate



TED VACHON,

in business here for a number of years as butcher and grocer, has secured a franchise from Richelieu Groceries Ltd., a co-operative organization. To conform with required standards Mr. Vachon is re-modeling his establishment to the tune of $15,000. His store, to be known as "Vachon Food Mart", will be operating under insignia of the Richelieu co-op in the New Year.

Six months on morality charge

A married man, resident of St. Jerusalem, was sentenced to six months in prison by Justice Omer Côté at St. Jerome on Tuesday, on a charge of gross indecency involving a 7-year-old girl. The man was arrested last week by Chief Hebert and Cst. Laurin, of the local police force. Although this was his first appearance in court, the accused was identified by several young girls in similar experiences.

Ten-weeks strike ended at Dom. Ayers Wood Products

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Woodworkers of America, and the management of Dominion Ayers (Wood Products Division) reached an agreement Saturday evening to end the strike at the west-end plant which has been in effect since September 22.

Signing of the agreement followed a lengthy meeting of the strikers in the Knights of Columbus Hall, lasting all Saturday afternoon. The contract was signed jointly by representatives of the company and of the syndicate. According to the Union organizer the terms of the contract were "agreeable to all concerned", and from Saturday night the pickets were withdrawn, and employees returned this week as operations resumed progressively through the plant.

Lucien Giroux, Union organizer, stated that the new contract had the approval of both the labor union and the employers, and that no discrimination would be exercised as a result of the strike.

Cleric honored for chaplaincy to Mont'l hospital

Culminating a pleasant association of 19 years with the medical staff of St. Mary's Hospital, the Rev. Winter C. LeCras was a guest at the annual staff dinner, held in the hospital auditorium last Thursday. In recognition of his long service as Anglican chaplain to the hospital during his rectorship in Montreal, the Rev. Mr. LeCras was presented with an illuminated scroll and the gift of a reclining chair. Similar recognition was paid also to the Roman Catholic chaplain, the Rev. L. Lanteigne, S.J., who received the gift of a portable television set.

Sentiments and Sidelights

(Comments on the Local Scene)

The St. Lawrence cyclists' marathon has changed itinerary for the 1962 contest, and will enter Ontario for the first time in its nine-year history. The route passes through Lachute next August 8 in a 16-lap race covering 1,055 miles. The route charted for this event is — Montreal, Ste. Rose, St. Janvier, St. Antoine des Laurentides, St. Jerome, St. Canut, Lachute, St. Philippe, and on to Ottawa.

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Three huge Christmas trees and festive lights have made the local shopping quarters again a topic of favorable comment.

It is noted the street decorations have been extended this year to Foundry (Lafleur) Street, from Bethany past the hotel section to Farmers' Supply store.

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Where one of Lachute's fine apartment buildings now stands — in the frigid winters, men with hand-augers laboriously drilling cedar logs for Lachute's first water mains. . . . This is a picture from the early 1880's in the history of our municipal water system, as told by Ald. Dr. J. P. Dorion last week at the Richelieu Club. (See story on this page.)

For information of landowners

Quebec Hydro gives forecast on Ottawa River water levels

In order to inform owners and occupants of properties located along the shore of the Ottawa River above Grenville concerning the water level of the river after construction of the Carillon dam, as well as the progress of construction, Quebec Hydro-Electric Commission submits the following information to the press:

Quebec Hydro has installed pickets along the shore of the river to indicate the line of high water level reached by the river under normal conditions.

Unless due to an extraordinary flood, the level of the river should not exceed the high water line so indicated, and during the low-flow periods of July, August, September, etc., the water level should be lower than that indicated by the pickets.

In principle, a rivershore property should not be affected by the rising of the water level if the said property is not already affected by the usual rising of the river in the spring.

Once the hydro-electric plant at Carillon is in operation, the water levels upstream from Grenville at low flows of the Ottawa will be higher than those existing at the same low flows in the natural state of the river. However, the water will remain within the limits of the riverbed which is the property of the Crown.

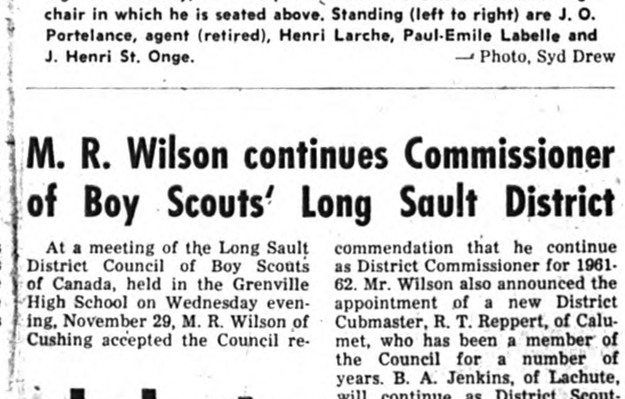
Improvements made in the riverbed by eliminating Periwig Island at Hawkesbury will result in water levels somewhat lower than those under natural conditions, thereby reducing the extent of usual flooding. During the spring floods the sluices of the spillway at Carillon dam will be completely opened to reduce the headwater elevation sufficiently to improve natural conditions of the river.

In the spring of 1962, the water level should not be affected by the works at Carillon.

At the beginning of the summer of 1962, in order to permit navigation, the river will be raised to the level at which the Carillon Plant will be operated.

Quebec Hydro undertakes to cut wood in the bed of the river below the ordinary high water line in locations deemed necessary.

In the case where rivershore owners claim to have rights on account of elevation of the water level, such claims will be examined on their merits and in conformity with the law and the respective rights of the parties involved.



Retired after 49 years' service

J. Hormisdas Malette retired last week after 49 years' continuous service at the C.P.R. local depot. Mr. Malette was feted by his fellow workers, both past and present, at an informal gathering last Thursday, and was presented with the comfortable lounge chair in which he is seated above. Standing (left to right) are J. O. Portelance, agent (retired), Henri Larche, Paul-Emile Labelle and J. Henri St. Onge. — Photo, Syd Drew

M. R. Wilson continues Commissioner of Boy Scouts' Long Sault District

At a meeting of the Long Sault District Council of Boy Scouts of Canada, held in the Grenville High School on Wednesday evening, November 29, M. R. Wilson of Cushing accepted the Council recommendation that he continue as District Commissioner for 1961-62. Mr. Wilson also announced the appointment of a new District Cubmaster, R. T. Reppert, of Calumet, who has been a member of the Council for a number of years. B. A. Jenkins, of Lachute, will continue as District Scoutmaster.

A number of other appointments were announced by President J. W. Humphries:

Badge Activities and Special Events — George Noble, Brownsburg.

Group Contact — Harry Booth, Lachute.

Camping and Conservation — A. F. Clement, Thurso.

Finance — Lloyd Thomas, Grenville.

Public Relations — Dave Atkins, Brownsburg.

Plans for the coming year were outlined; these will be reported in greater detail as they develop.

Refreshments were provided by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bray.

Reminder from Fire Department

With the fast approaching holiday season, Fire Chief Don MacCulloch and members of the Lachute Fire Department would like to remind everyone to keep Fire Prevention and Fire Safety in the limelight. It is during the Christmas season that the greatest number of fires occur, most of which could have been prevented, had common sense and precaution been used. With this thought in mind, readers are asked to observe the following precautions:

1. Buy only electrical gifts bearing the Underwriters' label.

2. Do not smoke while wrapping Christmas gifts; one spark from a cigarette can cause a fire.

3. Never toss a lighted match or cigarette butt carelessly away. If you are at home or out in your car, use an ash-tray. Make sure your smoking materials are cool before you dispose of them. Do the same when emptying ash-trays into a trash can.

4. Before you go to bed — and especially after entertaining — make a brief inspection to be sure no cigarette has dropped behind a chair, or behind a sofa cushion, or on a carpet or any place else where it could start a fire.

5. **Never smoke in bed.**

With the co-operation of every man, woman and child, we can make this Christmas season a fire-safe period. Don't let disaster strike your home. — **Make it fire-safe ! !**

Perley Bridge closed all day, December 14

Information is received that, in connection with the raising of the Perley Interprovincial Bridge between Grenville and Hawkesbury, this bridge will be completely closed to all traffic for one day, next Thursday, December 14. The closing will be effective from midnight Wednesday until midnight Thursday. . . . Dominion Bridge Company, in charge of the work, requests all persons travelling in the district to govern themselves accordingly.

Week's Epigram

Sin has many tools, but a lie is the handle which fits them all.



Judges for naming of restaurant

Members of a jury which selected a name, from several hundred contest entries for the newly opened dining room in connection with the Golfer's Motel, Bethany Road. Left to right — Mayor Gaetan Paquette of Ayersville; Léopold Carrière, president of Lachute Lumber Co'y; W. M. Cottingham, M.P.P., guest of honor; Mayor Fernand Legault of Lachute; Fernand Berthiaume, of "L'Argenteuil"; Mayor Felix Touchette of St. Jerusalem. — Photo, Syd Drew

Suspect in local shooting arrested in Muskoka area

Arnold Malcolm McGregor, 29, of Chomedy (St. Martin), was arrested in Bala, Ont., on Monday and will be brought to Montreal for questioning in connection with the death of William Gunn, 41, of Lachute. McGregor was arrested by the Ontario Provincial Police in the village some 150 miles northwest of Toronto.

He was picked up on a warrant for "failing to provide", but was also wanted for questioning in the fatality which occurred here November 20. He was reportedly seen in this area twice during the week of the shooting, and disappeared that same day. He is also wanted for several thefts in the Brownsburg region.

McGregor was arrested in connection with a series of thefts in the Bala district, after which police discovered the warrant for his arrest in a routine checking of their files. Quebec Provincial Police were notified; the latter informed the Ontario officials that he was wanted here for questioning.

First indications on the discovery of Mr. Gunn led police to believe he had been the victim of a hunting fatality, but an autopsy was performed which indicated that murder was more likely, due to the location of the four .22 calibre bullets. . . . No charge relative to Mr. Gunn's death has been laid.

Ladies' night at Rotary Club

Last week's meeting of the Brownsburg - Lachute Rotary Club was the semi-annual Ladies' Night, providing a pleasant change for the members from their regular meetings. Well over one hundred people were present to enjoy the evening, which consisted of a supper, dancing, and a bit of comedy supplied by some of the Rotarians under the directorship of Tom Johnson. There was a near-100% attendance by the Rotarians and their wives, and a good number of guests were also present for the evening's enjoyment.

The music was supplied by Emmett Lowe and his group.

Thanks are due to all whose time and effort made this event so enjoyable.

Police officer now lieutenant



GILLES POIRIER,

former member of the local police force, has just been promoted to lieutenant at Ste. Dorothée, where he has been serving as police officer since last June.

Rodrigue Durocher corrects statements attributed to him on 'patronage'

Following is a letter from Rodrigue Durocher, Liberal standard-bearer in this constituency, which appeared in The Montreal Gazette edition of November 28:

Sir: — Reading "The Gazette" regularly, and knowing that you are fair to everybody, I have reason to believe that you will give me the opportunity of clarifying your statement. As my name was mentioned on the front page of "The Gazette" on Nov. 13, and some words were pronounced as being mine, (if they were pronounced) I would like to say this:

I never said "The Liberal MLA's must be allowed to distribute favors to make a name for themselves," and I never said "People ask for aid in counties and it is blocked by the Civil Service in Quebec." If those words were said, it was certainly not by me. I always fight against that, and I am not certainly for it, today. Here is what I said: I cannot approve the resolution calling for establishment of Government offices manned by impartial civil servants to handle applications for jobs, contract or provincial benefits. I figure that taxes are high enough; that, if civil employees would do a full day's work, the need for more employees is superfluous. A program to educate people is necessary to guide them, in the different situations they may be in. I said that a member of parliament or a candidate must devote himself to his county, must be at the service of the people, must receive their demands, must help in their troubles. People do not like a representative idle. If the member of parliament is elected strictly to legislate, and forgets the welfare of the county and the progress of the county, he will not legislate long. I figure that patronage is a person who asks a reward to help in getting jobs, contracts or favors. That I am against, as I always have been. But if the fact of devoting yourself to your county, helping poor people, guiding them in getting their rights, is patronage, I am for it. I figure there are not enough members of parliament who are devoting themselves to their electors in preference to their own interest.

As you can see, it is not exactly what was written in your paper, and I am confident that you will say the truth, for my rehabilitation. I did suffer the reaction of what was written in your paper and I cannot let this situation go on. The people who were present at the committee of resolution, know that I never said that, and I don't need to distribute favors to make a name for myself. I have enough projects for my county that will be sufficient to give me a name for years.

Thank you for your understanding and your wish to tell the truth.

— Rodrigue Durocher,
Ex-candidate for Argenteuil.
Lachute, Argenteuil, Nov. 14.

Lady curlers occupied in inter-club and home games

On Tuesday of last week the opening tea and visitors' day was held. Eight visiting rinks took part. The Ste. Anne de Bellevue foursome were winners in the morning, with Montreal West victors in the afternoon.

On Wednesday two challenge games were played . . . Mrs. G. A. Muir (skip), Mrs. D. MacTavish, Mrs. D. MacKimmie and Mrs. A. G. Giles (substituting for Mrs. N. Boyd), challenged the holders of the Wilson Cup, (Mrs. L. W. York, skip (substituting for Mrs. J. G. McIndoe), Mrs. E. O. Pollock, Mrs. H. D. Graves and Mrs. R. Bailly.

In the Broomstick challenge, Mrs. W. S. Jones (skip), Mrs. F. Jeffery, Mrs. W. White and Mrs. F. A. Hungerbuhler challenged the holders of the pins, Mrs. J. R. MacKimmie (skip), Mrs. Don McFaul, Mrs. R. O. McLean, Mrs. K. Boa.

In both games the holders retained possession of the cup and pins.

On Thursday morning two rinks from Wentworth Club played against Lachute, who had challenged the holders of the Dudley Kerr Trophy. This is a double-rink event for curlers of five years' experience and under. Wentworth retained possession of the trophy. The following players took part — Mrs. Don McFaul (skip), Mrs. R. O. MacLean, Mrs. K. Boa, Mrs. Milton McFaul; and Mrs. J. Belanger (skip), Mrs. Don Bradley, Mrs. K. W. Clarke and Mrs. C. McOuat.

Play in the doubles has been going on, the finals being played on Monday. The finalists in the Seniors were Mrs. W. S. Gordon and Mrs. E. O. Pollock, against Mrs. F. J. Stein and Mrs. A. G. Giles. The winners were Mrs. Stein and Mrs. Giles.

In the Juniors the finalists were Mrs. F. Jeffery and Mrs. R. Bailly against Mrs. J. R. MacKimmie and Mrs. Milton McFaul. The winners were Mrs. Jeffery and Mrs. Bailly. . . . Some very close competition was in evidence.

The following players are taking part in the Rosemere annual invitation bonspiel — Mrs. G. A. Muir (skip), Mrs. D. MacTavish, Mrs. D. MacKimmie, Mrs. Don McFaul; and Mrs. F. J. Stein (skip), Mrs. J. S. Drew, Mrs. K. Rutherford, Mrs. J. R. MacKimmie.

Play in the turkey bonspiel is going on this week and next.

STILL PRODUCING

Lakeville, N.S. (CP) — Annapolis Valley apple farmers say a tree which they estimate to be 200 years old is still producing apples. In the late 1880's it produced as much as 81 bushels in a single season.

Officers elected for Anglican bowling league

The annual general meeting of St. Simeon's Church Bowling League was held in the church hall on Monday of last week, with the president, Mr. Jos. Sewell, in the chair.

The president reported a very successful year, and expressed thanks to all those who had assisted in any way.

The financial report was given by the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. A. Neil, which showed a healthy balance.

The Rev. C. R. Lang was then called upon to occupy the chair for the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Jos. Sewell (re-elected); sec.-treas., Miss Margaret Silverson; Match Committee, Harold Maslin, Brian Noble; Financial Committee, Mrs. L. Dawson, Mrs. E. Evans; Refreshments Committee, Mrs. Lang, Mrs. E. Morrow, Mrs. M. Gordon; Publicity, Geo. Leggett.

Regular league play commenced on Monday of this week, with eight teams competing. (Members are reminded that play commences at 7.30 p.m. sharp each Monday, unless otherwise notified on the bulletin board.)

Team and Skip	P	W	L	D	For	Agst.	Pts.
Rangers, H. Maslin	2	2	0	0	26	5	4
Comets, Mrs. Lang	2	2	0	0	23	11	4
Bankmont, Miss M. Silverson	2	1	1	0	16	15	2
Meteors, J. Sewell	2	1	1	0	13	17	2
Invictas, G. Leggett	2	1	1	0	11	17	2
Robins, W. Shearsmith	2	1	1	0	15	21	2
Rovers, W. Chambers	2	0	2	0	12	20	0
Rev. Lang	2	0	2	0	12	22	0

Bolodrome highest scorers listed in Mixed Commercial and Men's League

Mixed Commerial League

Men

Laurent Bélisle	18	154
Lloyd Bryson	33	147
Don Boa	31	146
Howard Ward	33	144
Yves Sauvé	18	143
James Duncan	33	142
Florian Brunette	23	142
Joe Martell	33	140
J. Jacques Charron	33	139
Denis Brunette	33	139
Bud Langille	33	138

Women

Monique Brodeur	33	134
Eileen Morrison	33	133
Louise Brisebois	30	124
Marge Martell	33	122
Freda Gordon	30	122
Bertie Langille	30	118
Muriel Binda	33	116
Pauline Théoret	33	112
Juliette Guay	30	111
Françoise Turcotte	33	109
Barbara Bryson	33	109
Elaine McDonald	33	109

Team Standing

Kingsbeer	33	25	8	34
Volkswagen	33	25	8	34
Bouvrette Enrg.	33	25	8	33
David's	33	23	10	32
Gerald Thibault	33	20	13	28
Lowe Bros.	33	17	16	25
The Bryson's	33	18	15	24
La Ruche	33	18	15	23
Aime Dagenais	33	17	16	22
L'Argenteuil	33	16	17	20
Mme Turcotte	33	14	19	18
Blue Birds	33	11	22	15
Lachute Inn	33	10	23	14
Molson	33	11	22	13
Yves Gravel	21	8	13	10
Lach. Creamery	33	5	28	5

Men's Commercial League

J. Pierre Bélisle	36	164
Laurent Bélisle	28	157
Marcel Brunette	30	154
Laurent Brasseur	27	152
J. Pierre Pilon	36	147
J. Marie Guénette	30	147
Richard Pharand	36	145
Marcel Gauthier	27	144
André Cousineau	15	144
Denis Brunette	33	143
Howard Ward	34	142
Doris Champagne	33	142
Don Boa	15	142

High Single, Yves Sauvé, 253
High Triple, J. Pierre Bélisle, 650

Team Standing

Coca-Cola	36	24	12	32
Molson's	36	22	14	30
Fairway Sales	36	22	14	30
Gaetan Leclair	36	23	13	29
Lachute Flooring	36	18	18	26
Dow	36	20	16	26
Labatt 50	36	18	18	24
Veteran Taxi	36	18	18	22
Jos. Malaket	36	16	20	21
Seven-Up	36	16	20	21
O'Keefe	36	15	21	20

Lachute United Bowling League

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Team and Skip	P	W	D	L	For	Agst.	Pts.
St. Andrews, Mrs. W. Bridge	5	5	0	0	47	25	10
East Settlement, Les Gordon	5	4	0	1	64	31	8
Bluebirds, Mrs. O. Riddell	5	4	0	1	58	31	8
St. Pat's, Miss G. Davis	5	3	0	2	45	48	6
St. George's, Owen Todd	5	2	0	3	42	42	4
Redwings, Miss G. Rosser	5	2	0	3	42	45	4
All Stars, Reg Stansfield	5	2	0	3	37	41	4
Beavers, Miss M. Gordon	5	2	0	3	37	47	4
St. David's, Mrs. E. Armstrong	5	2	0	3	37	49	4
Teenagers, Miss G. Gordon	5	2	0	3	36	43	4
Maple Leafs, Mrs. D. Smith	5	1	0	4	28	46	2
Thistles, Jack Gorman	5	1	0	4	26	53	2

Choose toys for right age

Every year, the variety and attractiveness of children's toys increase. Fortunately, they are also more durable and safer. Most accidents concerning toys are caused by their misuse. The toy should be chosen with the child's age in mind. Here are some points for the toy buyer to remember:

A — Toys should be built to withstand investigation of their workings by their curious owners.

B — Key-winding toys should have a strong spring enclosed in a cylinder. The key should not revolve when the toy is in action.

C — Such toys as horns and whistles should be of one-piece construction.

D — Electric toys should have the C.S.A. label on the cord or on the toy itself.

E — All toys made of lead should be avoided.

F — Toys for babies should be washable, large, light in weight, and of non-brittle material.

LOWER GRADES

Penticton, B.C. (CP) — Due to a poor apple crop in Britain and the Continent this year, lower grade MacIntosh and winesap apples will be exported for the first time since 1958.



"Sure, I could have made better time – but I'd have looked silly running around with a horse under my arm!"

Sharp curves, dangerous skids

When taking a sharp curve, even on a dry pavement, it happens sometimes that a truck loses part of its load, thus causing a traffic jam. But the danger is far greater when the surface is covered with ice, snow or sleet, or otherwise rendered slippery. Taking a sharp curve at too great a speed may then result in fatal injuries or loss of life. Therefore it is advisable to reduce speed by pumping the brakes **before** entering a curve, in order to avoid skidding and loss of control.

It takes a sober mind and good reflexes to cope with the hazards of winter driving. Unless you are perfectly fit, it is better to look for other transportation.

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Welcome to customers and friends — Adm. 50c
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We'll be glad to check your requirements . . . with no obligation to you . . . and recommend the right equipment for you.
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DEC. 17 LAST DAY

TO POST YOUR CHRISTMAS MAIL FOR LOCAL DELIVERY

Post out-of-town mail on time, too. This year—send it FIRST CLASS MAIL . . . gets preferential, red-carpet treatment right up to the front door. Consult your Post Office leaflet for mailing deadlines. Christmas wishes mean so much more when they arrive—*before* Christmas!

CANADA POST OFFICE

Lions Club Skating Rink



Activities and Highlights of the Week

LACHUTE DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

Midget Schedule (Age 14-16)

Nov. 25 (4.30) Legion vs Loisirs
(5.30) *Lachute vs Quenneville
Dec. 2 (4.30) Legion vs Loisirs
(5.30) *Lachute vs Quenneville
Dec. 9 (4.30) Loisirs vs Quennev'l
(5.30) Legion vs Lachute
Dec. 16 (4.30) Quennev'l vs Legion
(5.30) Loisirs vs Lachute
**Dec. 23, 30, Jan. 6 (4.30)
Lachute vs Quenneville
(5.30) Loisirs vs Legion
Jan. 13 (4.30) Legion vs Lachute
(5.30) Loisirs vs Quenneville
Jan. 20 (4.30) Lachute vs Loisirs
(5.30) Legion vs Quenneville
Jan. 27 (4.30) Lachute vs Legion
(5.30) Quenneville vs Loisirs
Feb. 3 (4.30) Legion vs Loisirs
(5.30) Lachute vs Quenneville
Feb. 10 (4.30) Legion vs Quennev'l
(5.30) Lachute vs Loisirs
Feb. 17 (4.30) Quennev'l vs Loisirs
(5.30) Legion vs Lachute
Feb. 24 (4.30) Lachute vs Loisirs
(5.30) Legion vs Quenneville

*These two games to be made up during the season by scheduling ice time with Mr. J. Bourgoing.

**Only one game to be played during holiday period. Ice time to be arranged with Mr. J. Bourgoing.

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Exhibition Hockey

On Sunday afternoon, December 3, Lowe's Bantams defeated Ottawa Rideau Park "Cradle League" Bantams by a score of 4-0. Lowes' goals were scored by Richard Maidens, Michael Lowe, Steven Lowe and Danny Gagné.

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LEGION NOTES

— by —

Branch 70 Correspondent

"ACTIVE SERVICE YESTERDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE TODAY"



The 25th anniversary Charter Members' Night is into the records. The recent edition of The Watchman carried excellent coverage of all the proceedings. With the chance of being repetitious, it still seems fitting to congratulate everyone, from Cde. President Joe Martell and chairman Cde. B. A. Jenkins up to (with all due respect to the above-mentioned gentlemen) UP TO the Argenteuil Branch 70 charter members. The old guard did themselves proud, and speaking for all the junior sweats, we are proud to be associated with them. We trust we can carry on in the manner that has been laid down and will maintain the Legion's good name in Lachute and district.

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The decks are now cleared for the in-coming slate of officers. The forthcoming year will present a real challenge, a challenge that will not go unanswered.

The Christmas activities are all ready and waiting. The plans for a possible New Year's party are formulated for use if necessary, and even now we are looking forward to next summer and acting as hosts to the Legion Provincial Golf Tournament.

Although we hope that no one will need it at this Christmas season, the hospital equipment is available for the asking.

Bear in mind that the December meeting is coming up shortly, and that you must be in attendance to be the winner of the draw.

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DISTRICT NEWS

Northern Grenville

Mr. and Mrs. L. Urquhart, of Montreal, spent a few days recently with Mr. and Mrs. C. Cooke.

Mrs. Hannah Cameron, of Vankleek Hill, visited at the home of Mrs. Thos. Hoare on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ancel Young, of Port Colborne, and Mrs. Samson Arthurs, of Pointe au Chene, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Arthurs over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Young and Mrs. Geo. Bissett, of Port Colborne, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Young last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Bennett and Eileen visited Mr. and Mrs. L. Taylor in Lachute on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crooks, with Terry and Tony, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Young on Sunday evening.

Cushing West

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Campbell, and Mr. Walter Wert, spent Sunday in Buckingham as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wert and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Edgerton and family spent Saturday in Montreal.

Mrs. Wm. Usher is spending several weeks in Washington, Penn., as the guest of Miss Dorothy Forrester and Mr. George Forrester.

The many friends of Mr. Alan R. Vowles are glad to hear of his recovery, after undergoing heart surgery at the Montreal General Hospital early in November. He returned home on Friday, the 24th.

Capt. and Mrs. T. W. Weir attended the funeral of the late Mr. Jack MacDowell in Montreal last week.

Bereavements

Sincere sympathy of this community is extended to the bereaved relatives of the late Mr. Jack MacDowell, also to the relatives of the late Mr. William Chambers. Both men will be greatly missed by their many friends.

Television Program Of Local Interest

A short film on Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Bradford's sheep enterprise in Cushing will be shown this coming Sunday, December 10, at 1.30 p.m. on the French network, Channel 2. The program is "Travaux et Jours".

Watchman Want Ads bring results.



Ch. Commerce discusses filtration project

The Chamber of Commerce organized a supper gathering last Thursday, where members of the Council and engineers on the filtration project met with the members to discuss various angles of this public improvement. Seen in the photo above (left to right) are — Aldermen Alphonse Thibedeau, Stanley Church and Réal Urbain; Jacques Gervais, sales manager for Francis Hankin, suppliers of the technical materials; Mayor Fernand Legault, Q.C.; Gaetan Leclair, Chamber president; Paul Laliberté, one of the consulting engineers; Bob Daly, engineer for Francis Hankin; Aldermen Dr. J. P. Dorion and Dr. L. A. Middleton. Also at the head-table but not appearing in this picture, was Ald. F. Charlebois.

— Photo Studio, Lachute

Form ski club at Hawkesb'y

On November 30 a meeting was held to organize a ski club for Hawkesbury and district. Enthusiastic skiers entered their own names and those of their friends who were unable to be present, making a total of nearly 50 prospective members.

Bob Greenspon was elected president for the season, with Kent Smith as vice-president and Miss Barbara Hamilton as secretary-treasurer.

The name "Interprovincial Ski Club" was chosen and their distinctive emblem will be appearing on many jackets and windshields.

Another meeting will be held at the permanent meeting place, the Abenaki Golf and Country Club, on Thursday, December 7, at 8.30 p.m. to iron out details.

Store drawing

Winner in the pre-Christmas weekly drawing last week at Farmer's Supply Co., was Gérald Berniquer, Vankleek Hill.

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I — IN THIS PROVINCE

1. The contract policy.

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2. Hospitals under contract.

Most of the following hospitals have signed up under the Hospital Insurance plan: general and most private hospitals, maternity hospitals and hospitals for the chronically ill. The greater number of these establishments are therefore able, under the law, to supply you with the agreed free hospital benefits.

3. Hospitals having no contract.

In contrast, you will not receive free hospitalization in the following institutions: asylums for the mentally ill, old people's homes, TB wards in sanatoriums, and also infirmaries, nursing homes and other establishments providing custodial care only. However, there are exceptions to the rule; better check!

4. Transfers from one place to the other.

If the doctor decides that your condition requires your being transferred to another hospital, you still receive the same free benefits if both hospitals are approved.

II — IN OTHER PROVINCES

What happens if you have to be admitted to a hospital while you're in Ontario or in B.C., for instance? Our Department of Health will reimburse the cost of insured services received — but according to the local rate in force. Moreover, that particular hospital must have been approved by the authorities of that province.

III — IN ANOTHER COUNTRY

Then again, you might be sight-seeing in Vermont and suddenly require hospital treatment. Our Québec Hospital Insurance Service will pay for hospital care received in a foreign country, at standard ward rates, up to $15 a day. The rest is up to you — for instance, non-insured services.

IV — GET YOUR FACTS STRAIGHT

Whether you require hospitalization here, there or elsewhere, here is the one sure way of avoiding painful reckonings. *Before admission*, question your doctor or the hospital on these two simple points:

1. "This hospital I'm being admitted to — is it approved by the proper authorities, or again, does it have a contract with Québec?"
2. "If I insist on having a room instead of taking ward accommodation, how much per day will it *personally* cost me — over and above what Québec will pay for me?"

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DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Brownsburg

Mrs. R. H. Morrison spent part of this week in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hebert and Master David Hebert were recent guests of relatives here.

Baptist Day of Prayer

Mrs. Perley Clark, president of the Grenville Baptist Church Mission Circle, presided at the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer meeting, which was held in the Maple Avenue Baptist Church Friday afternoon last. Mission Circle members from both churches took part in the service. Mrs. F. Barker, the soloist, sang "How Great Thou Art". This special day of prayer is held annually on the first day of December in Baptist churches throughout the world.

Old Resident Mourned

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Wm. Chambers and other relatives of the late Wm. Chambers of St. Philippe, who was well known here. His funeral service was held in the Brownsburg United Church on Monday afternoon.

Hospital Visitor Is Guest Speaker

Mrs. Leatherdale, of Montreal, was guest speaker at a recent meeting held in the Brownsburg Presbyterian Church. Her topic was Social Welfare, which proved very interesting and touching, as she described her experiences while visiting at the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children and at the Verdun Protestant Hospital. Members of other denominations were present at this meeting and expressed their interest in Mrs. Leatherdale's work among some of the less fortunate people. . . . Refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pride and family, of Montreal, were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Birch.

Births, Marriages, Deaths, etc.

Births, Marriages, Deaths, and In Memorium, etc., $1.00; 5 cents per type line extra for verses with In Memorium (estimate 8 word per type line).

BIRTHS

BRASS — Barbara and Bill are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Heather Jean, on Nov. 30 at the Smith Clinic, Hawkesbury.

DEATHS

CHAMBERS — On Friday, Dec. 1, 1961, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, William John, in his 78th year.

HYNES (G. Mortimer) — On Nov. 24, 1961, at the St. Jeanne D'Arc Hospital, G. Mortimer Hynes, aged 55 years, beloved husband of Gwen Stapleton, and dear father of James, John, Gordon, Ross and Maureen; son of Mrs. Grace Hynes of Toronto; also brother of Evelyn (Mrs. G. Silverson), of Lachute, Thelma, of Toronto, and Gordon, of Verdun. Interment, Cote des Neiges Cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM

BIGELOW — In loving memory of a dear aunt and sister, Elizabeth, who passed away Dec. 8, 1960. — Ever remembered by her brother, William, sister-in-law, Beatrice, and niece, Violet.

"Long days and nights you bore your pain,
To wait for cure, but all in vain,
Till God alone saw what was best,
And called you home, Betty, with Him to rest."

GRAHAM — In loving memory of John Alvin Graham, who passed away Dec. 12, 1956. — Ever remembered by his loving wife and family.

"His memory is as fresh today
As in the hour he passed away."

LEISHMAN — In loving memory of our dear father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leishman, who passed away Nov. 10, 1941, and Dec. 14, 1956. — The Family.

"Wonderful memories, woven in gold,
This is the picture we tenderly hold;
Deep in our hearts their memory is kept,
To cherish for always and never forget."

WOOD (Richard) — In loving memory of our dear dad, who passed away two years ago. — Always remembered by his family.

"Silently the angels took Daddy
Into the mansion above,
There shall he rest from earth's toil,
Safe in the arms of God's love."

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

GUNN — We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all those who assisted in any way, following the tragic loss of our beloved husband, son and brother. Special thanks to the Rev. Geo. B. Hicks, the Rev. L. Hisey, Mrs. Shrier and Mrs. MacKenzie. Your kindness and help was deeply appreciated.
— Mrs. Lorette Gunn and family
Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn and family

WAITE — We wish to express sincerest thanks to our many relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral tributes, messages of condolence, and many other acts of kindness during the sad bereavement of a husband and uncle. Special thanks to Mr. D. A. McRae and to the nurses and doctors of the Smith Clinic.
— Mrs. James A. Waite
Mrs. Murray Mooney.

Cushing

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Unsworth, of Vankleek Hill, were recent Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Chambers of St. Philippe.

Church Women

The W.A. of St. Mungo's has installed a telephone in the vestry of the church. . . . Ladies of the W.M.S. held quilting parties in the church hall on two days this past week. One large quilt was custom quilting in aid of the funds, the other two for missionary boxes.

Old Neighbor Mourned

Mr. and Mrs. T. Weir, Mrs. L. R. McGain and Mrs. Archie Graham were in Montreal on Tuesday attending funeral services of the late Mr. John McDowell (more familiarly known as "Jack"), of Montreal and "Gleniffer Cottage", Cushing. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his five sisters — Mrs. Sanders, of Chateauguay, Mrs. U. Munroe, and the Misses Annie, Janet and Betty, of N.D.G. Jack, a congenial person and a good friend to all, will be sadly missed by his Cushing friends.

Mr. A. T. Graham spent Friday in Montreal. His sister, Elsie, returned home with him and spent the week-end.

Mr. Jas. Berry, of Thomas' Gore, spent several days here with her daughter, Mrs. I. H. Fuller.

Mrs. George Drew, of Verdun, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. Canning.

Sympathy

The very sincere sympathy of this community is extended to Mrs. W. J. Chambers and family, of St. Philippe, in the sudden passing of her husband, at the Royal Victoria Hospital on Friday evening.

Mr. Arthur Bryant, of St. Sauveur des Monts, was the guest of Messrs. Wendall and Percy O'Brien, of Chatboro, for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Pitt spent last Thursday in Montreal.

Miss Enid Robertson, of Montreal and St. Andrews East, was a supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Elliott on Sunday.

Mrs. I. Fuller visited at her father's home on the Brownsburg Road last Sunday.

Mrs. R. Robertson and Mrs. Laura Davis, of Lachute, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning on Sunday.

Bell Falls

Mr. Bill Smith, of Montreal, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith.

Mr. Wm. MacRae, of Lachute, is visiting his brother, Mr. John MacRae.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyman MacLean and family visited Mrs. MacLean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bronson, in Cornwall for the week-end.

Mr. Alan Page and Mr. Floyd Page attended the hockey match in the Montreal Forum last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. L. Campbell also attended the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Page have left to spend the winter months in South River, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Provencal.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodrigue, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Caruthers, spent the week-end at their respective cottages.

Kilmar

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Ellis, accompanied by Mrs. John Purcell, David and Kenneth Purcell, motored to Ottawa on Sunday and spent the day visiting relatives and friends.

Double Birthday Party

A double birthday party was held at the home of Mrs. Alice Trineer on Thursday, November 30, in honor of Mrs. Mabel Dodd and Mrs. Bea Noble. Mrs. Noble received a beautiful floor lamp, while Mrs. Dodd received a utility table and a set of glasses. Both ladies were very pleased with their gifts. An enjoyable afternoon was spent, after which refreshments were served by the hostess, complete with two cakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Villeneuve have left Kilmar to take up residence in Grenville, after residing here for some 30 years; friends wish them happiness in their new home.

Carmen Dewar and Harvey Young are both in hospital in Montreal, at present. Friends hope that both these young people will soon be well again.

Former mayor, civic figure in Chatham T'wp

The late Wm. J. Chambers

Funeral service was held on Monday, December 4, for William John Chambers, of St. Philippe. The late Mr. Chambers was well known in this community, having served several terms as Mayor of Chatham and on the district school board. A helpful friend in time of need, his ready wit and stories of the pioneer families will long be remembered.

He leaves to mourn his passing — his wife, the former Harriet Hammond, one son, James, a daughter, Ellen (Mrs. Leslie Welden), five grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Albert Lighthall, of Lachute, and a brother, Reuben G. Chambers, of Windsor, Ont.

The service was conducted by the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, from the MacKimmie Funeral Home to Brownsburg United Church.

The pall-bearers were — Messrs. Reuben Creswell, Albert Mitchell, Nelson Blore, Percy O'Brien, George MacKenzie and Ian MacDougall. Interment was in Lachute Cemetery.

Many friends attend funeral of shooting victim

Late William Gunn

Funeral service for the late William Gunn was held in Lachute Baptist Church on Friday, November 24, conducted by the Rev. Geo. B. Hicks, assisted by the Rev. Lorne Hisey.

The tragic death of Mr. Gunn aged 41, occurred Monday, November 20, in the woods near Brownsburg.

Favorite hymns of the deceased were sung, "Amazing Grace" and "Nearer, my God, to Thee". Another favorite, "Beyond the Sunset", was sung as a solo by Mrs. J. Shrier.

Pall-bearers were — Ernest McRae, Clarence Mott, Kenneth McLean, Calvin McAndrew, James Dawe and John Hamilton. Burial took place in the Brownsburg portion of Lachute Cemetery.

"Bill", as he was known to family and friends, was born at Dalesville and well known in these parts. He had lived for the past 13 years in Montreal, having returned to Lachute just seven weeks prior to his untimely death.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, the former Lorette Boucher McLean, and four step-children — Ronald, of Montreal, Shirley (Mrs. Earl Hayes), of Picton, Ont., Doreen (Mrs. Allan Gunn), of Dalesville, and Fraser, of Lachute.

He also leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn, of Dalesville, five brothers and three sisters — Earl, of Dalesville, Clarence, of Little Long Rapids, Ont., Reta (Mrs. Wesley McAndrew), of Ogdensburg, Orval, of Dalesville, Hazel (Mrs. Ross Keatley), of Brownsburg, Elden, of Montreal, Dora (Mrs. John McRae), of Brownsburg, and Walter, of Marelan.

Aged resident of Vankleek Hill died recently

Late James Arthur Waite

Final tribute was paid to the late James A. Waite, who passed away at the Smith Clinic November 22 in his 82nd year.

Born in East Hawkesbury, November 7, 1880, he was the son of the late William Waite and his wife, Rhoda Wright.

He leaves to mourn his loss his beloved wife, the former Margaret MacLeod, and his nieces and nephews.

The funeral cortege proceeded from D. A. McRae's Funeral Home, Vankleek Hill, to Knox Presbyterian Church on Friday, November 24. The service was conducted by the Rev. Robt. Millar, of Martintown.

Pall-bearers were Messrs. Donald McDonald, Ken McKenzie, Burns Kingsbury, Ferris Mooney, Jack Mooney and Ewan Allen.

The numerous beautiful floral tributes were tokens of the great esteem held by relatives, friends and neighbors for the deceased.

Burial was in Cassburn Cemetery.

IN APPRECIATION

Many thanks to all my friends and eighbors who so kindly remembered me while I was in hospital by cards, flowers and visitation.

Sincerely — Alan R. Vowles

HAWKESBURY Holiday Store Hours

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MON., DEC. 18 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
TUES., DEC. 19 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
WED., DEC. 20 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
THURS., DEC. 21 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
FRI., DEC. 22 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
SAT., DEC. 23 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
SUN., DEC. 24 — CLOSED ALL DAY
MON., DEC. 25 — CHRISTMAS — CLOSED
TUES., DEC. 26 — CLOSED ALL DAY
WED., DEC. 27 — OPEN UNTIL 12.30 P.M.
THURS., DEC. 28 — OPEN UNTIL 6.00 P.M.
FRI., DEC. 29 — OPEN UNTIL 10.00 P.M.
SAT., DEC. 30 — OPEN UNTIL 6.00 P.M.
SUN., DEC. 31 — CLOSED ALL DAY
MON., JAN. 1 — NEW YEAR'S — CLOSED
TUES., JAN. 2 — CLOSED ALL DAY

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PORK HOCKS MEATY lb. 29¢
PORK KIDNEYS CHOICE lb. 29¢
MEATY SPARE RIBS - - - - - lb. 49¢
HYGRADE CHICKEN LOAF - - - - 12-oz. pkg. 49¢
BOLOGNA MAPLE LEAF 6-oz. pkg. 21¢
S.X. PORK SAUSAGE - - - - 1-lb. tray 49¢
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HYGRADE SLICED COOKED HAM - - - - 12-oz. pkg. 99¢
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Centre d'Art junior and adult classes continue

Following a successful summer course for young pupils conducted by Guy Racine at the Argenteuil Art Centre, this young graduate of l'Ecole des Beaux Arts has held another series of lessons for school-agers since the month of September. Lessons are held at the Art Centre (Rio Building) each Saturday, and youngsters have revelled in creative expression through plastic art, drawing and painting.

According to Jean Laforest (motivating force behind the Art Centre) another such course will be followed, commencing in January. Enrolments will be received Saturday, December 9 and 16, from 2 to 5 p.m. — and Mr. Laforest suggests this might prove an acceptable Christmas gift for many art-happy youngsters, to solve a problem of perplexed parents, aunts or uncles.

The adult course on Thursday evenings will also be resumed following the holiday season, and enrolments are now being received. These classes, attended by a congenial cross-section of French and English-speaking residents, have sparked some interesting discussions, and revealed unsuspected creative ability. Instructor is an experienced Montreal art teacher, Giuseppe Fiore.

Presently on view at the Art Centre are examples of handicraft, leather, textile and driftwood creations signed Villemaire, Lecore and Jutreau. Mme Villemaire will be in attendance personally from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from December 11.

Any interested in these exhibits, or in the program of art instruction, may contact Mr. Laforest, the proprietor, at LE 7-3367.



The Rev. H. G. Baugh

Guide leaders present token to rector

Morin Heights — At a training week-end for Girl Guide leaders held recently at Val Morin, Que., a presentation was made to the Rev. Horace G. Baugh for his many services to the Girl Guides Association, in the past 11 years during which he has been rector of Morin Heights.

Mrs. W. S. A. Dart, Commissioner for the Cartier area, made the presentation of a "thank-you pin", and referred to the Rev. Mr. Baugh's consistent willingness to help the Association in its work.

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Argenteuil Bridge League

The fifth session of the Argenteuil Bridge League attracted 52 enthusiastic and benevolent card players on Monday night. The group operates as a profit-making club for the benefit of the Association for Retarded Children, and the members voted to reduce the prizes to one silver dollar to each of the winners. This will allow almost all of the revenue to be transferred from the club's funds to the worthy cause. A second transfer of $100 was voted out of the club's treasury to the Association for Retarded Children.

Winners of the fourth session, held November 27, were:

E-W, Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. Walker.

N-S, Mr. Leclair and Mr. St. Onge.

The sixth meeting, and last of the year, will be held at Lachute next Monday, December 11. As usual, hands will be dealt at 8 p.m. There is a break of four weeks after the sixth session; the seventh, again at Lachute, will be held on January 8.

Arg. Choral Society Christmas chorale for December 17

A new feature for the Argenteuil Choral Society is its first presentation of a Christmas carol program, to be given in Lachute United Church on Sunday evening, December 17. The time of commencement has been changed in order that members from other churches may have the opportunity to attend; an organ prelude will be presented by the choir director, Lowell B. Hopkins, at 7.45 p.m., and the carol program will start at 8 o'clock.

The Christmas chorale will give the congregation an opportunity of singing some of the well-known carols, and the choir of 50 voices will render carols originating in many lands.

The complete program will be published in next week's Watchman, so that those interested will know what is in store for them. A collection will be taken, to defray costs of the sheet music, purchased in considerable quantity for this venture.

Social and Personal

Mrs. Wm. Gray, of Port Arthur, Ont., was the guest this past week of Mrs. R. E. Robinson, and during her stay, visited several relatives and friends in this vicinity.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bradford, of Beaconsfield, spent the week-end in Lachute.

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Mr. Germain Filion returned home Friday after six weeks as a patient in the Hotel Dieu, St. Jerome. Friends hope for his continued progress to complete recovery.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Blore, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Alder, of Verdun, were week-end guests of Mrs. Mary Lighthall and attended the funeral of the late Mr. William J. Chambers at St. Philippe last Saturday.

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Winners of Drawing

Winners of the Chamber of Commerce bond drawing for November were Mr. Ludger Delorme, Princess Street ($250), and Mr. Gaetan Leclair, Sydney Street ($50).

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Mr. Clem Meservey, of L'Orignal and Ottawa, spent the week-end and renewed acquaintances here.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Laurin last Friday were Mr. and Mrs. R. Hodgman, and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McTavish, of Montreal, who were here to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Jas. Hutt at St. Philippe.

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Miss Juliette Rodrigue, Lic.-Mus., spent a week in New York attending a musical seminar, including concerts, speakers and discussions.

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Community Concert-goers

Community Concerts subscribers in this district are advised that an attraction, the opera "Orpheus in the Underworld", is being presented by the Canadian Opera Company in the Town of Mount Royal High School (Montgomery Ave.), on Monday, December 18, at 8.30 p.m. Local membership provides the privilege of attending this program of the neighboring group.

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Appearing on Television

A short film of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Bradford's sheep enterprise in Cushing will be presented on Channel 2 this coming Sunday, December 10, at 1.30 p.m. The program is entitled "Travaux et les Jours".

Auxiliary Card Party

The Legion Auxiliary card party in the Memorial Hall last Wednesday was the last such event until next January. Mrs. Wm. Bradshaw, president, thanked the large number of supporters and announced proceeds of $45 — to be turned over to the Local Association of the Girl Guides and Brownies.

Mr. Thos. Iddon conducted the military whist, in which the following were winners:

First — Mrs. D. Hodgson (captain), Mrs. M. Sewell, Mrs. S. Stewart, Mrs. J. Voisard.

Second — Mrs. A. Kirby (captain), Mrs. D. J. Rodger, Mr. D. J. Rodger, Mrs. S. Holt.

Door Prize — Mrs. A. G. Leggett.

The Auxiliary ladies served refreshments in conclusion.

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Wedding Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Underhill announce the marriage of their daughter, Helen Mary, to Mr. Ian Cameron, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Simon Cameron, at Montreal on November 22.

Lach. High School sports events

By Sharon Comba

Senior Basketball

On Friday night, both the senior girls' and senior boys' basketball teams travelled to Grenville High School for two games.

The Lachute High School senior girls won by a score of 28-23. The three stars for this game were Mary Beth Painter, Sheila Owens and Gwen Matthews.

The L.H.S. senior boys lost their game to Grenville. The score was 37-26.

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On Saturday morning Lachute senior boys played against Grenville town team at Lachute High School. Grenville won by a score of 66-51.

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C.W.L. meeting for December

Nineteen members were in attendance at the general meeting of the Catholic Women's League, held December 4 in the K. of C. Hall and presided over by Mrs. L. Bedard.

Reports were submitted by the conveners, and a financial statement was given by Mrs. Martell, treasurer. The secretary, Mrs. Stephens, read the minutes of the last general meeting.

A Christmas party for the English Catholic children will be held on December 17 under convenership of Mrs. Malette and her committee. On this occasion the Christmas Cake raffle will take place.

Mrs. G. Lowe was thanked by the president for convening a successful card party, proceeds of which went for a worthy cause.

On November 11 Mrs. Elkington was requested to place a wreath at the Cenotaph. A group of the members had attended the English mission in Brownsburg.

The members were reminded of the Catholic English mission to be held on December 7 to 10, with Father A. Baillargeon in attendance. The conveners were requested to have a semi-annual report on hand for the January meeting.

The assembly closed with prayer and refreshments were convened by Mrs. R. Hebert and her committee.

Kiwanis award to 4-H Inter-Fair judging winner

(Our District Correspondent)

Mabel, Que. — Truman Clark was in Montreal recently and, together with several other young 4-H members, was entertained at the Sheraton Mount Royal Hotel by the Kiwanis Club.

On this occasion, Truman — as Grand Prize winner of the Inter-Fair Judging competition for juniors, held last September — was presented with a certificate of merit, a silver trophy suitably engraved, and a letter of permission to proceed with the purchase of a heifer calf of his choice, towards which he had already been awarded $150.

He was accompanied by his club leader, Mr. Ross Oswald, of Ste. Scholastique.

Watchman Want Ads bring results.

'Bookmobile' dates for travelling library

The "Bookmobile" of the McLennan Travelling Libraries will be in the Lachute area during the week of December 11-14. Following is the schedule of stops:

Bookmobile Itinerary
December 11-14

Monday, Dec. 11, Arundel — Intermediate Sch., 1-4 p.m. Adults, at School, 4-5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, Harrington — Int. Sch., 10.30-12.00 noon 1.-2 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 13, Brownsburg Adults, at School, 2-3 p.m. High School, 9-12 noon

Legion Hall, Adults, 1.30-3.30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 14, Grenville — High School, 9.30-12 noon 1.-2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 14, St. Andrews — 3-4 p.m.

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11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Mr. John Cohen will conduct the service.

ST. GEORGE'S, BROWNSBURG
9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m. Church School

ST. MATTHEW'S, GRENVILLE
11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY, CALUMET
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion
The Rev. C. R. Lang, R.D., will conduct the service.

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. ANDREWS EAST
REV. WINTER LeCRAS
11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Margaret Rodger Mem'l Presbyterian Church
REV. JAMES ARMOUR, B.A.
9.50 a.m. Church School and Minister's Bible Class.
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
2.00 p.m. Brownsburg Service

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11.00 a.m. Morning Service
REV. JOHN RUSSELL, Executive Secretary of the Sudan United Mission, guest speaker.
Thurs., 8 p.m., Prayer
All are heartily invited.

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REV. W. B. ROSBOROUGH, B.A., B.D., Supply Minister
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Mr. G. K. Amos, Choir Director
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. "EVER-BURNING FIRES"
Baby Fold at 11 a.m.
Carol service Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7.00 p.m.

Lakefield Services
REV. CANON C. W. P. BAUGH, Rector
9.30 a.m. Louisa.
11.00 a.m. Lakefield
7.00 p.m. Dunany

Parish of Mille Isles
REV. HORACE G. BAUGH, Rector
9.30 a.m. St. Sauveur
11.00 a.m. Morin Heights
4.00 p.m. Baptism, Morin Hts.
7.00 p.m. Mille Isles

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Thurs., 8.00 p.m. Prayer meeting

Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Brownsburg
REV. R. L. McPHEE
9.45 a.m. Church School
11.00 a.m. "IT MATTERS TO HIM ABOUT YOU"
7.00 p.m. Christmas Vesper Service, conducted by our C.G.I.T. group.
Wed., 7.30 p.m. Prayer Service
A welcome for all!
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Lachute Baptist Church
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Set for the defence of the Gospel
9.30 a.m. Our Bible School — Classes for all ages. Come, bring your Bible; all adults are invited to the Pastor's Bible Class.
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship
"THE DRINK THAT SATISFIES"
REV. JOHN RUSSELL, Executive Secretary of the Sudan United Mission, guest speaker.
The Rev. Mr. Russell will present the film, "Africa on the March".
Wednesday, 8 p.m. — The Hour of Praise and Prayer.
All heartily invited.

Brownsburg Regular Baptist Church
REV. GEO. HICKS, B.Th., Pastor
10.00 a.m. Bible School
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
Thurs., 8 p.m. Prayer Service

Brownsburg Pentecostal Assembly
REV. JOHN C. SHRIER, Minister
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
7.30 p.m. Evangelistic Service
Wed. 7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.
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Public Notice

NIGHT-TIME PARKING

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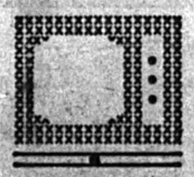
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ENGLISH CATHOLIC MISSION

— To be held Dec. 7-10 in the basement of the Ste. Anastasie Parish Church, Lachute, under direction of the Rev. Father A. Baillargeon, O.M.I. D6.2c

MILITARY WHIST

— To be held in the Orange Hall, 138 Gilbert Street, Lachute, on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 8 p.m., sponsored by L.O.B.A. Adm. 50c 1c

TALENT TEA

Bertha's salad tea, to be held in Brownsburg United Church hall on Tuesday, Dec. 12, from 3 to 5 p.m. 1c

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

— Lachute Branch Canadian Cancer Society, to be held in the work-rooms at the Court House, on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 3 p.m. x

CHRISTMAS SALE

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Brownsburg Presbyterian Church are holding their Christmas sale of home-cooking and fancy work, in the church hall on Saturday, Dec. 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. Afternoon tea will be served. 1c

LEGION BINGO, BRANCH 70

— To be held Thursday, Dec. 7 in Lachute Legion Hall at 8 p.m. Jackpots, and special prizes. Proceeds for the sponsoring of Minor League Hockey. D6.2c

CHRISTMAS CHORALE

— By Argenteuil Choral Society, in Lachute United Church on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7.45 p.m. All welcome. (Collection.) D13.3c

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No. 34005

Superior Court

DONAT BOILARD, operator, residing at No. 33 Chatham Street, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, André Boilard — plaintiff

— vs —

ERIC BROWN, residing at No. 227 Bethany Road, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within a month.

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Superior Court

JEAN BAPTISTE LAROCQUE, operator, residing at No. 19, Charles Street, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, Richard — plaintiff

— vs —

ERIC BROWN, residing at No. 227 Bethany Road, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within a month.

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Superior Court

GUILLAUME LAROSE, operator, residing at No. 259, Gilbert Street, Ayersville, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, Robert — plaintiff

— vs —

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DISTRICT NEWS

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Mrs. Lionel Lane, of Montreal, spent the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kerr.

Mrs. Wm. Owen returned home last Thursday after spending a few days in Montreal visiting friends.

Card Party

A very enjoyable "500" card party was held in the church hall on Saturday evening, where there were 10 tables in play. The prize winners were Mrs. E. J. Craig and Mr. H. Johnson, with consolations going to Mrs. P. Dubeau and Mr. W. McMahon. The lucky winner of a flash camera was Mrs. Peter Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Harvey and family, also Miss Diane Owen, were here from Montreal to spend the week-end at Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Owen's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Harrington and family, of Montreal, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson.

Mr. Richard Marion and his sister, Mrs. Norman Bass and family, were here from Ottawa to spend the week-end with their mother, Mrs. L. Marion.

Among Sunday and week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Morrison were Mr. and Mrs. D. MacKimmie, of Lachute, and Mr. and Mrs. Val Morrison and family, of Shawbridge.

Mr. Wilfred Morrison spent Monday in Montreal and visited his sister, Mrs. Val Swail, who is at present a patient in the Montreal General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Thompson, of St. Eustache, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett.

Grenville

Mr. Vernon Dawson, of Ottawa, spent Sunday with Miss Pearl Dawson, and Messrs. Ray and Edgar Dawson.

Miss Joan Owens, of Macdonald College, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Owens.

Mrs. Déas Dupuis and son, Leonard, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dupuis, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moïse Ouimet at Vars, Ont.

Mrs. Maude Leroy has returned home after spending some time with relatives in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harkness, of Lachine, Que., and Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Robert and son, Billy, of Brownsburg, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Villeneuve.

Bereaved

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. W. J. Chambers and family, in the sudden passing of Mr. Chambers at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal.

Ladies from Grenville who attended the Saint Andrew's Day service at St. Andrews East, were Mrs. Laviolette, Mrs. W. Grece and Mrs. S. Dewar.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Morrow, of Elgin, Ont., are spending some time with their son, Mr. Lloyd Morrow and Mrs. Morrow.

Surpise Party

A surprise "stork shower" was held for Mrs. Lloyd Morrow, on the evening of November 24 at the home of Mrs. Gerald Beauchamp, given by the Misses Heather Stone and Betty Beauchamp. All her friends enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Infant found dead

The 3½-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Riddell, of Morin Heights, was found dead in his crib around six p.m. Monday. The infant was taken to the local morgue, where a routine coroner's inquiry was opened.

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EDITORIAL NOTES...

"In this Parliament are three Estates, the Lords Spiritual, the Lords Temporal and the Commons, but in the Reporters' Gallery yonder sits a Fourth Estate more important far than all."
— Edmund Burke

FINANCING OF WATERWORKS —

Touching the public pocket-book

THE LARGEST loan in the municipal financing of Lachute Town, for the sum of $570,000, is being floated for costs of the filtration project, and alternative methods of meeting and liquidating this loan were outlined by Ald. Dr. J. P. Dorion in a service club topic last week. The matter is open for discussion and suggestion, and is therefore presented here for public perusal. Following is Dr. Dorion's outline, freely translated from the text of his address. . . .

Lachute Town must raise $41,000 annually over a period of 30 years for debt servicing only, while costs of operating and maintaining the filtration plant will vary from $10,000 to $20,000 a year, perhaps more.

The water tax, as at present applied but at a higher rate, would draw no levy from vacant lots for which there is a water-main laid — whereas the lot-owner will most certainly demand a higher price, for the advantage of this utility.

A modified water tax plus the installation of meters on certain consumers, would rectify some of the apparent injustices, and would place a more proportionate levy on the larger consumers (plants, industries, etc.).

It must be realized that a municipal water system fulfills two prime funcvtions among others, namely: (1) personal and domestic needs; and (2) community requirements for fire protection. This presents a problem of assessing the property-holder for the service he receives.

The two-percent municipal sales tax would undoubtedly have the effect of spreading the cost over all residents — of facilitating the collection — and, above all, of avoiding the undesirable levying of a new tax.

Town Council must decide shortly on its method of procedure, and in the meantime would welcome verbal or written viewpoints from the public who must foot the bill.

Quit public bickering

OUT OF A BROAD (and somewhat nebulous) subject has come some sage advice for Canada — which we re-emphasize for the Province of Quebec, and more particularly for this Town of Lachute.

Lady Tweedsmuir — sentimentally linked with this country through her husband's one-time tenancy of the vice-regal office at Ottawa — has decried the "bickering of friends in public" and arousing of "miscalculations in countries outside the free world".

Extracted from its context (which was in connection with Canadian views on England's proposed entry into the European Common Market) Lady Tweedsmuir's advice might well be heeded in other questions affecting our reputation with the broader public. More specifically, we should scrutinize the publicity for our nation and our province which travels far and wide on TV screen, by radio and the printed word.

It is all very well for a certain CBC-TV program, "Close-Up", to bring into the open the undercurrents of Canadian life. But that objective is far and unwholesomely outbalanced by the glamorous publicity given to malcontents, literary crackpots., separatists and the like. The fanaticism of this brand is not reflective of national opinion, but in the light of such widespread broadcasting, it certainly gives that false impression.

In other words, let's do our bickering in less-public places. Speaking more personally, let us safeguard the prestige of our town by settling our differences at home, not on the sounding-board of national press, TV and radio. Two instances of this in the past decade — a memorable "flag incident" and a police scandal — should forever curb our impulsiveness in going off the deep end without gauging the consequences.

Let Lady Tweedsmuir be heeded in her advice, in other matters than that for which it was given.

Better than totem poles

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT recently tabled in the House of Commons a list of suggestions received from various sources as possible projects for Canada's Centennial observances. Among these are the following (to mention only those of a local character):

Local historical pageants;

Development of local historic sites;

Preparation of guide books to the major cities;

Distribution of seedling trees to school children.

Included in the list also were proposals for preparation of community development plans and the completion of significant sectors of these development plans by 1967.

Also included in the list is the proposal for a "national inventory of land use and of Canada's physical resources".

Large projects of these kinds, looking toward Canada's Second Century of economic, social and cultural development, should take precedence over projects to build 100-foot totem poles — in the opinion of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities.

Copies of the Centennial suggestions tabled in the House of Commons and the suggestions contributed to the Canadian Centenary Council are available from the Federation's Ottawa Bureau, 56 Sparks St., Ottawa 4, Ont.

The Federal Government has announced that, to carry out the purposes of the National Centennial Act, it intends to ask for funds which may be used to make grants for local Centennial projects.

Sable's ponies reprieved

SABLE ISLAND, that desolate sand strip in the Atlantic about 180 miles southeast of Halifax, is only 25 miles long and a mile wide.

As a hazard to shipping, it was known to the earliest navigators — it was shown on a Cabot map of 1554. The Marquis de la Roche who landed on the island in 1598, found some wild ponies and a few cattle, evidently survivors of earlier shipwrecks.

Through the centuries the ponies have continued to exist, and a small human settlement has continued. The government of Nova Scotia took over the first relief establishment on the island in 1801, and since 1873 Sable Island has been a responsibility of the federal government.

It now has two powerful lighthouses to warn shipping, and there is a protective coast-guard service.

The number of ponies roaming the wild, sandy stretches — there are no trees — was estimated some years ago at 300.

The federal transport department, which runs the island because of the marine installations, decided some time ago that because of the shortage of natural feed the island's ponies would be sold by tender. This meant they were probably destined for the glue-works.

Now, animal lovers will acclaim the news that the Sable Island ponies are to be protected. Regulations just published at Ottawa make it an offence to molest, interfere with, feed or otherwise have anything to do with the ponies without official permission.

"These animals and their posterity will continue to live on this island," Prime Minister Diefenbaker had said before the new regulations appeared.

The official protection implies that the federal government will continue air-dropping of bales of hay to keep the ponies in feed during periods when natural food is lacking.

The wild ponies on the wind-swept dunes will be grateful. And the many who pleaded for their continued protection will be reassured that the ponies will not be lost.

Of all the many links with history that Canada possesses, these ponies may well be among the earliest.

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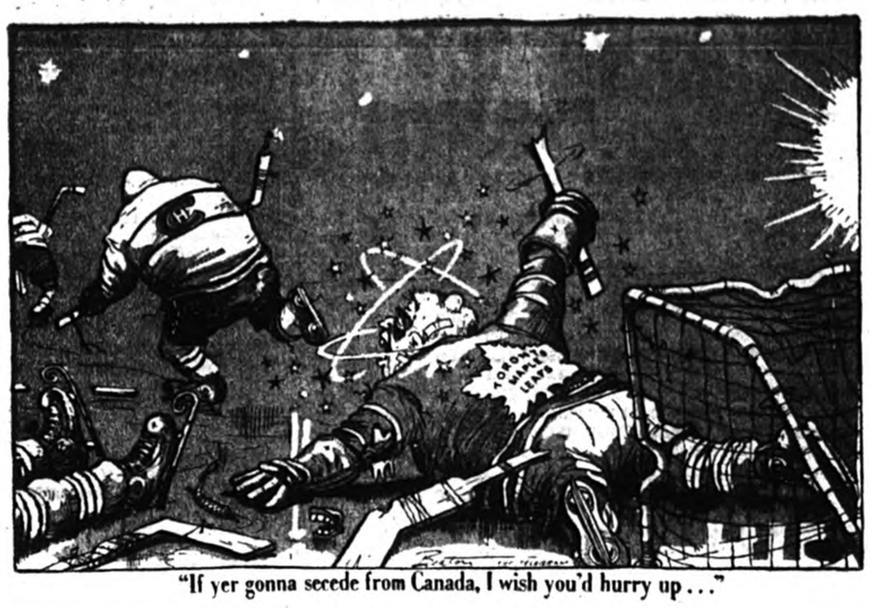
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"If yer gonna secede from Canada, I wish you'd hurry up . . ."

Of Many Things

— By Ambrose Hills —

SOUR GRAPES OR FOOTBALL?

The CBC is broadcasting a great number of American football games this year, sacrificing many other programs in order to do so. Whether this American football was provided in response to strong public demand is doubtful. It appeared, rather, that the CBC's promotion of the American games was a childish reaction to the fact that private broadcasters had secured television rights to the games in the eastern division of the Canadian Football League. Now the CBC has developed an audience appetite for American football.

The CBC could have had the Canadian games. The private operators offered to let the CBC have them for any area not already served. The offer seemed generous and public spirited. The CBC rejected it. Chester Bloom, parliamentary press gallery reporter, commenting on the CBC refusal to carry the games, wrote, "It is a disappointment that the CBC, after refusing such an offer in a spirit of injured pride, should then turn to American football as a palliative."

Surely it is time that the Board of Broadcast Governors, which has power to control the network operations of both the CBC and the private stations, looked into this matter of network affiliation and service. The football fiasco is not the only reason.

For example, the CBC has affiliations with three American television networks. CTV, the private television network, has none. This led to a completely unfair situation when the Mitch Miller program was cancelled for a special broadcast. The CBC had the power to move in and take the special broadcast, leaving the private network to find a replacement for Mitch Miller. The circumstances surrounding such situations ought to be studied.

Fair competition between the CBC and the CTV could result in a better deal for the public. If the CBC adopts a reasonable attitude, there would be no cause for complaint; but if it is acting in a dog-in-the-manger manner, then the public will suffer and the BBG has a duty to bring it back into line.

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This doesn't happen just now and then. It happens every pay day.

Jim gets a grip on the pencil with his teeth, to help him think, and then he runs down the list again, ruthlessly carving $5 here and $2 there from the less urgent accounts, until he has the total trimmed down to a reasonable size.

Then away he goes to the post office and buys a bundle of money orders, which he drops in the mail.

He walks back to the office humming to himself, moving faster and faster as he thinks with delight of all that money speeding away through the mail, until he reaches the steps and goes up them two or three at a time and finishes the last stretch of the journey to his desk at a run.

He sits down with his sandwiches and spends the rest of his lunch hour scribbling more figures on grimy pieces of paper. He is a miser in reverse. Having gloated over the debts he has paid, he writes down the money he still owes and the amounts he hopes to pay each week.

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Argenteuil Outdoors

A column for the sportsman

— By BOB ATCHISON —



Once again, "red herrings" are being dragged out to throw real problems out of focus. Private leases, and what goes with them, is the latest attempt by the Government of this province to take the spotlight off the hunting and gun laws. The laxity of these laws has never been shown to better effect than recently. Every newspaper had a story of near-misses, and some fatal hits. We all know the publicity given to the supposed changes, and how laws in effect now were going to be overhauled and changed where necessary. Evidently, more stock is taken in promises than in action.

I have often stated, the practice of being able to go into a super-market and buy a War Surplus hi-powered rifle, is fantastic. In my opinion, this is an invitation to go out and commit murder, under the guise of hunting.

A lot of hunting clubs will not go along with any legislation on guns; these are the kind of sportsmen who get into the bush once in awhile, or on private grounds — they see nothing except what a good time they are having, and forget those people who live in the outdoors all year round. However, let them live in the country for awhile, and they would start to bleat loud and long after some of their stock, or a pet, had been killed. That is, if they were lucky enough to be alive after going into the bush. Maybe seeing some of the damage done by these trigger-happy jerks would change their minds.

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A lot of anglers are now going to have a long wait for spring. This year has not been one of the best, especially for trout. Not too many good catches were taken, that I have heard of. When the man-hours spent in fishing are totalled up, then the reward would be discouraging. . . . But it is a good job that real sportsmen don't think of it that way.

Some fair Northerns were taken, but nothing of any real size; the same applied to the doré. One very good point on this species though — the number of small ones taken this year and put back, should make for wonderful fishing next year.

Some of the bass caught by anglers were excellent, but nearly all of these were full of grubs. As we all know, the increase of loons in this district, and pollution from this source, may have had something to do with this.

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Once again the North River is being used for garbage disposal. I guess it was too good to last, the absence of junk floating down. I will say this though, the present mess is not ordinary household junk, but rather the discards of commercial establishments. It seems too bad that a certain class of people will spoil good work carried on by the bulk of the citizens, just because they are either too lazy or just don't care where their junk is dumped.

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Winter birds are showing up in ever-increasing numbers. It's true they have not been too numerous around our feeders, and will not be, until the snow covers the ground. At this stage there are seeds all over for picking. However, once they start mooching, then be ready. It's a good idea to get feed in for them right now. In the bush last week-end, the small flocks of chick-a-dees to be watched with interest, made me forget about everything else. It is a thrill to get these same little chicks to come right down to where you're sitting. If you happen to be eating, that may have a lot to do with it.

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We have all read about the mountain lion. . . . It has been a number of years since one of these was reported, but I am sure they have been around all the time, without us being able to spot them. One spot I have in mind where they would never be seen, is the Blueberry Marsh on the way to Dunany. Getting into that spot gives you some idea of the game around. Droppings indicate moose, lynx, deer and mountain lion. This particular district is a wonderland for nature, and I, for one, am glad it is so hard to get into.

However, to get back to the cougars — I know a group of sportsmen who are all for killing them. That might be justifiable if there were numbers of them around and doing any damage, but I'm sure positively no one can blame these animals for anything worse than killing the rabbits and so forth, in this district. Let's hope that saner heads prevail and they will be protected for awhile anyway.

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A recent letter from Mille Iles complained about the number of wolves in that area. This needs no answer really, but my opinion is that likely the wolves are dogs running loose — and there are a lot of them in that district. . . . It is too bad that personalities entered into this lettter, as it could have helped the district at large.

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The new cartridge developed by C-I-L for the target shooter of 22s — three years in the making — is now on sale. A low velocity bullet that has good wind-bucking capabilities, this should prove a boon to the ever-growing number of match shooters. In the last few years this is one spot that has increased greatly. A wonderful way of teaching the youngsters the know-how of firearms, and certainly one that even the schools could adopt.

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Some more on winter camping. . . . Tents suitable for winter were discussed in a recent issue, so now I will give some ideas on your own private gear.

Footwear is very important, so that is the first on the agenda. It would be impossible to state that a certain type of boot is the best and should be used; this is a personal item and should be treated accordingly. However, I can tell you the best of certain boots for certain wear.

The most common is the rubber bottom and leather top. They are good for wet snow, and also make a fair boot for a snowshoe. However, most of them are too long and certainly too heavy. The best length I have found has been the 9 or 10-inch top; these allow complete freedom of the legs and do not bind the calf. The oil-treated leather boot with a non-slip sole of rubber, is another good boot. I like the moccasin with the leather-reinforced sole, myself. All these types of boots can be used with snowshoes, so don't worry too much about them.

Socks are also pretty important; personally I have found an all-wool sock to be the best, even though they have some wonderful composition weaves. In winter camping, dirt is not a hazard, so there is not too much to say about the washing of these. Anyway, they aren't washable until they can be thrown against the side of the tent and stick there!

Underwear is pretty important, and some of the types on the market leave nothing to be desired. However — a tip: if you buy the ski type, be sure and cut the elastic off the bottom as this will bind the foot and slow down circulation, and eventually coldness sets in. . . . Pants should not be too tight, and should not have zippers. Clothing for the outdoors should at least be water repellant, if not waterproof. . . . Shirts should be of good material and a close weave to stop winds. Over this can be worn a short jacket, and again no zippers. Over all this you can pull a light summerweight parka to keep out any snow or winds. When not in use, it is easily folded and carried in your pack.

The impression in winter sports is that you must have lots of clothing on; but this has been proven false. The less clothing worn the better — loosely worn, with no binding parts.

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Next week we will discuss snowshoes, etc., and the different types of bindings that can be used.

DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Harrington

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McVicar and Joann, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor McVicar.

Farm Forum is meeting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving MacLean, Bell Falls.

There will be a meeting in Harrington United Church on Thursday, December 7, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of organizing a United Church women's organization. All interested are invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray MacCullough, of Renfrew, Ont., visited friends here recently.

Week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Corl Young were Mr. Lawrence MacTavish, Jr., Mr. Gilbert Young, Mr. Lawrence MacTavish, Sr., and Miss Connie MacTavish, all of Ottawa.

Morin Heights

Church News

The Rev. Wesley Ball announced at the Advent Sunday service that, as well as the regular 11 a.m. divine worship in Morin Heights United Church, the following services are planned for the Christmas season. We suggest that readers cut out this news item and keep it as a reference for the holiday season.

On Wednesday, December 20, at 8 p.m. there will be held the Service of the Nine Carols and Lessons.

On Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24, there will be a Christmas Eve candlelight service with Holy Communion.

On Christmas Day there will be Vespers at 8 p.m.

On New Year's Eve there will be a Watchnight Service at 11 p.m.

To conclude the Christmas season, there will be a service of Holy Communion on January 14 at 11 a.m.

Sunday School

The Sunday School Christmas concert will be on Friday, December 22, at 7.30 p.m. and will be held in the High School. There will be special Christmas movies and a colored cartoon. It is hoped that Sunday School pupils will be good and able to attend this thrilling event!

Mrs. Mary Campbell and Mrs. Ruby Campbell went by plane to Larchmont, N.Y., over the week-end to visit with the former's son and latter's brother, Mr. William J. Campbell, who is ill. Mrs. Mary Campbell will be staying on for a week's visit.

Bereaved

Sympathy of this community goes out to Mr. William McAllister and family, Town of Mount Royal, in the passing of a devoted wife and mother. Both Mr. and Mrs. McAllister were well known in Morin Heights and Mille Isles areas.

Mrs. P. Hillier and daughter, Marjorie, visited friends in Montreal recently.

Mrs. Leonard McCambly and children, Darleen and Gwen, were in Montreal recently visiting friends.

St. Andrews East

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Weston and Miss W. Barton, of Montreal, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Rodger for the week-end.

Miss Vicky Tapp, of Montreal, spent last week as Mrs. G. A. Steeves' guest.

Several ladies from this village attended the sale and tea held in the Presbyterian Church, Lachute, last Friday afternoon, and reported a good time.

Women's Guild

The annual meeting of the Women's Guild of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. S. W. Rodger on Thursday, November 30.

During the business meeting there was a discussion on steps leading up to the amalgamation of the two women's organizations of the church, the W.M.S. and the Women's Guild. Early in January the new organization, to be called the United Church Women, will be formed.

Avoca

We are glad to report that Mr. Allan McPhee has returned from hospital, and is convalescing satisfactorily at his home.

The property of the late Jos. Young has been purchased by Gerald Kelly, of Calumet.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kelly, with their son Gary and daughter Mrs. Cecil Young (Hilda), motored to Montreal on Sunday to visit their daughter, Gay, who is in hospital.

Mrs. Keith Duncan (the former Barbara Andrews) with three friends, all of Ottawa, visited her aunt, Mrs. Howard Smith, on Thursday last.

Mr. Howard Smith and son, Jerry, spent the week-end at their home.

Appreciation

Mr. Allan McPhee wishes to thank all his kind friends for letters, cards, telephone calls and visits — including the Rev. Mr. Reid, of Montebello, the Rev. Mr. Lynn and the Rev. Father Garland, both of Hawkesbury — during his stay in hospital.

Mabel

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Todd and son, Kenneth, of Ville LaSalle, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Warwick.

Mr. John Clark, of the R.C.M.P. at St. John's, N'fld, is on leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clark.

Mr. David Black was in Montreal on Saturday. Miss Helen Black, of Hawkesbury, visited at her home here over the week-end.

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MAKE YOUR OWN MANGER SCENE !

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— By NANCY CLEAVER —

"Then kneel beside the manger bed,
And feel the living awe
That takes all simple-hearted folks
Who kneel upon the straw."

— From "The Creche", by Alice Gregg

The first manger scene or crèche was built by Saint Francis to make the story of the birthday of the Baby Jesus more real to those to whom he preached. In thousands of homes today the Nativity group, brought out early in December, and set up in a place of honor in the living room, accomplish this same purpose.

There are many manger scenes which can be purchased in stores, but a family may prefer to create their own. Some cut-out sets are quite attractive and can be made more durable by pasting on to lightweight plywood and cutting with a fret saw — with a support at the back of each figure, they will then stand upright.

A flannelgraph of the First Christmas is made by pasting the figures of the Wise Men, the Shepherds, and the Holy Family, and the outline of a stable on a flannelette base. The setting for these can be dark felt, made secure in a large picture frame, or a board covered with dark felt or flannelette, with the top half dyed blue for the sky and the lower part brown representing the stable floor.

Plaster figures may be made in rubber moulds sold for this purpose. The white figures when perfectly dry are clothed in costumes painted with tempera or poster paints.

Paper sculpture has become popular and this craft is taught in hobby classes. A circular cone forms the base of each individual and the costumes are made of heavy paper, fashioned to fit the figure.

One of the most inexpensive mediums for making figures is papier maché, and we are indebted to the artist, Barbara Cook, who constructed a beautiful manger scene in our church last December, for these detailed instructions:

"Make a rough sketch of the figures you intend to create, indicate what colors you will use and how you will arrange them. Usually it is wise for durability to have a support inside such as the cover from a calendar holder or wire from a coat hanger.

Soak newspaper in a tub overnight. In a double boiler make a paste by cooking a mixture of 4 tablespoons flour, 4 cups water and 1 teaspoon of alum to prevent it souring and 1 teaspoon of salt. Stir to prevent lumps. Remove the water out of the newspaper, placing it in a large sieve and pressing. Then add the paste and mix thoroughly. Squeeze out excess moisture.

Begin at the top of the figures, moulding the heads and then the upper part of the body working down to the toes. Wet brown wrapping paper can be placed on the outside of the figures to give strength to cloaks and other clothing.

When thoroughly dry, paint with tempera poster paint of the most non-flaking brand you can buy. White and red, carefully mixed, makes a flesh tint. Tradition says that "one of the Wise Men was a colored man."

This is an ambitious project and in skillful hands can be a satisfying activity. A well-made article gives its owner a feeling of creative pride in his achievement. The other members of the family are proud to show a beautiful home-made creche to visitors.

Relatives and other friends are often house guests in December, and they too will frequently share in the family's appreciation of a lovely creche. When we moved to the West a friend gave us a tiny buffalo to add to the little group of animals in the stable. There is a legend that on Christmas Eve, both tame and wild beasts kneel at midnight in honor of the Birthday of the Babe of Bethlehem — so what could be more suitable than a miniature buffalo, the symbol of the Province in which we live?

Maritime 'millinery'



Fish Turbans with Mushroom Stuffing

Here's a recipe that's bound to add a feather to your culinary cap. You might even loosely term it "maritime millinery" for although it's edible, this quick-to-bake dish is called Fish Turbans with Mushroom Stuffing. Flaky fillets are shaped around the inside of muffin cups, then filled with a savory mushroom and bread stuffing. When cooked and unmolded, they resemble the headgear of the sultans of old Baghdad.

Fish Turbans with Mushrooom Stuffing

6 Fish fillets (cod, haddock, sole or ocean perch, etc. — approx. 2 pounds), 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 3 tablespoons butter or margarine; 2 tablespoons chopped onion, ¼ cup chopped cooked fresh or canned mushrooms, 2 cups soft bread crumbs, ½ cup cream or evaporated milk, 2 eggs, beaten, 1 tablespoon chopped parsley.

If fish is frozen, let thaw on refrigerator shelf. Grease a six-well muffin pan. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F., hot. Sprinkle fish with lemon juice and salt; coil each fillet around inside of a muffin well. Melt butter and sauté onion until soft. Mix in mushrooms, bread crumbs, cream, eggs and parsley. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, over low heat, until mixture is thickened. Spoon into centre of fish. Bake in preheated oven 10 to 15 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Serve immediately on a hot platter. Makes 6.

Tips on Touring

By Carol Lane

Women's Travel Authority



Carol Lane, women's travel consultant, has some shopping suggestions for the motorists on your Christmas list.

A map measure for computing exact distances between towns, no matter how winding the road. Just roll the little wheel over the route selected and the mileage is calculated automatically.

A travel iron in a leather case. For a bit more, add a compact laundry kit containing folding hangers, clothes pins and a plastic container for soap flakes.

Travel slippers that fold into a matching case. Great for motel stops, they'll also be most welcome while motoring.

A flashlight with metal bracket on its head holding four different screwdrivers. This is great for any small emergency repairs at night or in dark corners of the car. The light throws a beam on whatever you're fixing.

An immersion heater that plugs into the cigarette lighter receptacle. Great for instant coffee, tea, warming canned soup or the baby's bottle — all while en route.

A travel lock for motel doors and/or drawers. It comes in two parts, can be adapted for almost any situation to protect valuables.

A coffee maker that plugs into the lighter receptacle. This is for folks who are tired of instant coffee.

Finally, how about a spring-wound razor for sprucing up in the car or at the motel! It looks and performs just like an electric razor.

Spiced honey tea cakes

Foreigners are often puzzled by English idioms. They look in vain for the coffee in coffee cakes and wonder where the tea in tea cakes could be. While today's recipe for Spiced Honey Tea Cakes doesn't contain any tea, it does have more than the usual quota of flavor ingredients.

Honey, ginger, cinnamon and cloves each contribute their own unique accent to these novel drop biscuits. They're at their best served warm from the oven, along with butter or margarine and a little extra honey or jam. They're a treat to eat with any meal, at any time of the day. Try serving them for breakfast sometime and watch everyone's appetite suddenly perk up, and the faces around the table brighten.

Spiced Honey Tea Cakes

Yield — about 1 dozen tea cakes

1¾ Cups once-sifted all-purpose flour or 2 cups once-sifted pastry flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder ½ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon ground ginger, ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon, ¼ teaspoon ground cloves, ¼ cup butter or margarine, 1 well-beaten egg, ½ cup liquid honey, milk.

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. (hot). Grease a cookie sheet. Sift together into a bowl, the all-purpose or pastry flour, baking powder, salt, ginger, cinnamon and cloves. Rub in butter or margarine with the fingertips. Combine well-beaten egg and honey. Make a well in dry ingredients; add honey mixture and combine lightly, mixing in a little milk, if required, to make a rather soft dough. Drop the dough by spoonfuls, well apart, onto prepared cookie sheet — makes about 12 mounds. Bake in preheated oven 10 to 12 minutes. Serve warm with butter or margarine and pass honey.

Strange ideas, on independence

Peace River, Alta. (CP) — A nurse who was a Baptist missionary in The Congo for 2½ years said here that some of the natives thought "independence" came in a box.

Elizabeth Spinney said in an interview that few of the natives had any idea of what independence would mean. She came here to visit her brother, Rev. Douglas Spinney.

"An idea prevalent among the natives was that as soon as independence arrived, trucks would drive through the villages handing out money to all who wanted it," she said.

Down through the years in the former Belgian Congo fierce rivalry between the tribes led to a great deal of fighting, she added.

"This hatred of other tribes is the strongest thing Christianity has had to face among the natives."

Miss Spinney worked at a hospital at Kikongo which eventually had to close after tense feelings were aroused among the natives over the employment of a native boy from a lesser tribe. The hospital staff moved to a larger centre at Kimpesi, from where they were evacuated to the United States after the turbulence started in the wake of independence.

GIVING

When you give, take to yourself no credit for generosity, unless you deny yourself something in order that you may give.

— Henry Taylor

Teatime Topics



Specially Written for The Lachute Watchman

By Edna Blakely, Canadian Press Staff Writer

Christmas cake time is approaching and the home economists at Macdonald Institute at Guelph, Ont., have come up with some handy hints.

Why not prepare the ingredients and the pan one day and make the cake the following day? This way, the whole family can help with the preparation.

Select fresh nuts and spices because they have a much better flavor. Wash the currants, raisins, dates, nuts and glace fruits carefully, then dry thoroughly on linen or paper towels. Flour well with part of the flour from the recipe to aid in distributing the fruit and nuts more evenly throughout the cake.

If molasses is used, choose a sweet rather than a strong table brand.

Choose deep pans whether they are round or square. Line with aluminum foil or three thicknesses of brown paper. Grease to prevent burning and to promote even cooking.

Fill the pans ⅓ or ½ full and be sure that the mixture is level and smooth and that the corners are filled.

Long, slow cooking is of prime importance. The oven should be set at 275 degrees or lower. A pan of water placed in the oven helps to keep the cake from drying on top.

Good Appearance

Nuts, candied cherries or candied peel may be used to decorate the cake before it goes into the oven and a glaze may be added after baking while the cake is still hot.

To glaze a light cake, use one part slightly beaten egg white to three parts of water. To glaze a dark cake, use a mixture of one part corn syrup to four parts of water.

Apply with a pastry brush or a piece of crumpled paper and return the cake to the oven for a few minutes.

Allow the cake to cool in the pan in which it was baked, then place in an air-tight polyethylene bag and close the end tightly. Store in a cool place. Apples stored with the cake will help to keep it moist, but they must be replaced frequently or mould develops.

And while you're baking cakes for the family, why not make a few smaller cakes for gifts?

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Careful Cleansing

It does seem logical to remove nail polish remover, but it's a mistake if the nail polish gets spilled on a rug or carpet. But it's not a catastrophe. An inexpensive remedy is amyl acetate, obtainable at drug stores.

The National Institute of Rug Cleaning says to apply it to the stain a few drops at a time and, after several minutes, blot with clear white tissues or terry cloth.

Liquid shoe polishes and dyes can usually be removed with a safe dry cleaning fluid. It should be applied with an eyedroper and then blotted with clean unstarched towelling or cleansing tissues. Always work from the outside towards the centre and be careful not to rub too hard.

If the rug has rubberized backing, use as little solvent as possible since it may damage the rubber.

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REHABILITATION — REBUILDING OF HOPE FOR THE HANDICAPPED

One of a series of articles describing the Federal Health and Welfare Services Canadians get for their tax dollars.

If you were seeking federal financial assistance towards six loads of earth, to which department would you appeal? Agriculture, Public Works? Not necessarily. Under certain circumstances your application would be considered by National Health and Welfare. Not so long ago, in fact, a National Health Grant was approved for just such an item. It was not, of course, awarded to an individual. As with all National Health Grants, it was in the form of assistance to a provincial health department.

The earth ultimately went into a garden — a logical enough place. Its primary purpose, though, lay in the manner of its going from dumptruck to flower bed. The men who shoveled it and wheeled it and worked it into its new location had no natural instinct or ability for such labor. Painfully impaired muscles had made them most unlikely candidates for shovel, wheelbarrow and rake. Yet this, added to other forms of exercise, was exactly what their crippled bodies needed. This way lay rehabilitation.

They were not unusual. Canada has at least half a million seriously or totally disabled citizens. With the majority, however, physical or mental resources remain which, directed by specialists, can restore much of the damage. To develop these resources to the maximum, a co-ordinated effort has arisen in Canada which is medically important and spiritually stirring. Indeed, as the Hon. J. Waldo Monteith has said: "How can words alone adequately express the feeling of hope, happiness, of personal worth and independence which rehabilitation brings to the handicapped person. Of all the multitude of health and welfare measures, few surely hold a brighter promise for mankind than does rehabilitation." In this the federal and provincial governments join forces with the volunteer agencies.

There are three major fields. One lies within the Workmen's Compensation Act, with each province operating its own program. The Department of Veterans' Affairs is responsible for another — the continuing care and re-establishment of those impaired by service in the armed forces. Finally, there is civilian rehabilitation, with which the federal Departments of Labor and National



Health and Welfare are concerned.

Labor's primary emphasis is vocational re-establishment. Health and Welfare's is medical restoration. Both are keenly interested in the 26 provincial and voluntary centres stretching from coast to coast whose focus is the rehabilitation of disabled citizens — centres such as the one which needed the six loads of earth. It is an interest shared with societies working for the blind, paraplegics, poliomyelitics, multiple sclerotics, arthritics, rheumatics and sufferers from the more common disabilities.

Federal financial assistance for the extension of facilities is recommended by the Medical Rehabilitation and Disability Advisory Service, a Division of National Health and Welfare.

In size and nature the rehabilitation centres are as varied as the reasons for their coming into existence. There was, for instance, one which began through the conviction of a single citizen. He felt there should be rehabilitation facilities for his mother, crippled by arthritis. No such establishment existing in his area, he enlisted the support of others who had a similar sense of private and public responsibility.

Today there is not only a centre operating but it is helping to provide Canada with one of the most needed resources in rehabilitation — qualified occupational therapists. Some time ago the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists established a special 18 months course to augment the supply of three-year university graduates. It sought a city with a university and access to a rehabilitation centre and other facilities which would be most suitable for practical training. The city it settled on was the one whose rehabilitation services had originally developed around one woman's needs and her son's determination to meet it.

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Dalkeith man wins $100 prize

Wednesday night, November 29, Jean-Paul Pichette, of Grenville, winner of the sixth draw of the Hawkesbury Merchants' Association, picked the winning entry slip of Mansel Borris, Dalkeith, Ont. Mr. Borris thus became the seventh winner of a $100 cash prize. He was to receive his prize last night, December 6, from Bernard Danis, chairman of the Association.

Next Wednesday night, December 13, all entry slips of the eight weekly draws will be put together in a big circular box. It is from these expected 1,600,000 entry slips that a guest of honor will pick out the winning slip for the $1,000 grand prize. If the winner is in attendance when the draw is staged, he will then receive an extra $100 given by the Regent Theatre.

This draw will end the gigantic promotion by Hawkesbury merchants, to offset the handicaps to businesses caused by excavation work on Main Street. With excellent co-operation of Ontario-Hydro and Spino Construction, all work has been suspended for the Christmas period on Main Street, which is now open to normal traffic.

NEW LIGHTS

Victoria CP — More than a third of this city's famed cluster lights have been removed, repaired, rewired and reinstalled as part of a civic program. The lights are also being repainted in a two-tone blue.

NEW DISEASES

Edmonton CP — Two new plant diseases were found in this year's survey by the federal agriculture department's plant pathology laboratory here. At Fort Vermilion and Hay River, N.W.T., a condition of brussels sprouts and cauliflower known as whiptail and caused by molybdenum deficiency, was found.

Skim milk sales tripled

Skim milk powder sales have tripled in the last five years and are still increasing as homemakers learn to appreciate the convenience and economy of this food. Women have seen in skim milk powder a subtle means of adding food value to recipes without changing the form or increasing the calories.

In the preparation of the bulletin "Skim Milk Powder," the Consumer Section tested all brands of instant skim milk powder on the market and developed recipes for soups, sauces, baked goods, main course dishes and desserts in which any brand can be used successfully.

The results of their testing have been compiled into an illustrated 22-page booklet called "Skim Milk Powder" which is now available free of charge, from Information Division, Canada Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Eggs bigger, shells harder

What happens to a highly selected flock of laying birds when selection ceases?

A. P. Piloski, of the Canada Department of Agriculture's experimental farm at Indian Head, Sask., reported that fewer eggs were produced but the eggs were larger and the shells thicker.

This was one of the changes noted when two strains of highly selected White Leghorns were bred without selection for five generations. Albumen quality remained unchanged but the number of eggs dropped rapidly at first and egg size and shell thickness increased with each succeeding generation.

The occurrence of blood and meat spots varied in the two strains, these being peculiarities which are not influenced by selection for egg production, said Mr. Piloski.

NO TIME LOST

Prince George, B.C. CP — Prince George's new traffic court is serving a good purpose, Magistrate G. O. Stewart says. It is designed to allow persons pleading not guilty to traffic offences to be tried without losing time from work.



See advt. next week
Farmers' Supply Co.
Foundry Street, Lachute.

Prize winners for November

Winners of the November drawing for customers of Ideal Cleaners, Hawkesbury, were as follows:

First — Mrs. William Blais, Montebello.

Second — Mrs. John Purcell, Kilmar.

Third — Mrs. Therese Filion, 22 St. Jacques Street, Hawkesbury.

HISTORIC FLAG

Trois-Rivieres, Que. CP — The Union Jack that flew over General Wolfe's troops at the battle of the Plains of Abraham is still in the watchful custody of the officers' mess of the Trois-Rivieres Regiment. The flag was brought to the garrison here, then the 86th Infantry Battalion, by Lt.-Col. Ralph Burton in 1760.

Watchman Want Ads bring results.

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Assorted fare for deliberation of city fathers

The regular Council session for December was held last Wednesday — Ald. Linton Armstrong, pro-mayor, presiding until the delayed arrival of Mayor Fernand Legault. Ald. Dr. J.-P. Dorion was absent from the assembly.

Business of the meeting covered a number of minor, but time-consuming, matters.

Various Business

It was decided to meet the St. Jerusalem authorities to discuss installation of street-lights on Henry Street, and location of the poles.

Permission was given to Donat Saulnier, proprietor of Beaton's Pharmacy, to install a burglar alarm with hook-up to the police headquarters.

A claim from J.-P. Latreille, Elizabeth Street, for $200 damage caused by backing-up of sewer water in his basement, was referred to the insurance company.

Request for a grant to the Laurentian Tourist Bureau, and an offer from Prudential Insurance to draw up a pension plan for municipal employees, were both held over for study.

A request from the Rev. Canon Paul Manseau, Messrs. P. Ouellette and P. Dufresne, on behalf

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Gift to sightless – Braille checker-boards

Through efforts of the local president, 20 Braille checkerboards were procured for use of sightless residents here, as a gift from Lions Club International. Director Herb Graves of the Lachute club is seen here presenting the checkerboards to Lion Tony Zaplaski, who is field director of the Argenteuil Section of the C.N.I.B. (Left to right) — Herb Graves, Tony Zaplaski, President Ernest Emmett and Deputy District Governor Hugh Tannahill. . . . The presentation was a timely gesture coinciding with the D.D.G.'s official visit here last week.

— Photo, Syd Drew

Dep. District Governor visits, accompanied by fellow Lions

The visit of Hugh Tannahill, Deputy District Governor, to the local Lions last week, was an occasion to revitalize the inter-club spirit — for the visitor was accompanied by about 25 fellow clubmen from Montreal branches, and fine fellowship prevailed in the renewing of many old acquaintances.

At the head-table with President Ernest Emmett and officers of the local group were four International Counsellors — Alf Cadman, Bill Shields, Dave Amery and Ed McLean — D.D.G. T. Tannahill; Zone inter-club chairman Hal Carr; and past-D.D.G. Horace Lamarche. . . . The head-table notables were introduced by Léopold Carrière, past-president.

The District Deputy, cordially introduced by Horace Lamarche, spoke on the history of Lionism — not in the musty terms of history but as a living panorama of personalties, dating from Melvin Jones, the founder (Chicago, 1917) to the familiar names in Zone A-8 (Quebec) in recent years. . . . It was Canada's entry into this great movement in 1920 that made the organization "International". And today the largest, most active service club in the world, Lionism embraces 114 countries or geographical locations in the Free World.

Lion Tannahill drew applause on his avowed hope that Horace Lamarche would be a future District Governor, the third such official to be elected from Lachute to the wider sphere of Lionism. (The late Dr. F. W. FitzGerald and Lion J. S. Giles previously held this high office.)

The speaker was ably thanked by Keith Clarke, secretary and factotum of the local club.

An interesting sidelight was the presentation of 20 Braille checkerboards for use of blind residents in the County. This gift was gratefully received by Lion Tony Zaplaski, who is Argenteuil field secretary for the C.N.I.B. Mr. Zaplaski assured the club these boards would be put to good use for the interest and amusement of his sightless confreres.

New president, Richelieu Club



At the Richelieu Club meeting Tuesday evening in the Legion Hall, Dr. Jean-Paul Dorion, veterinarian and alderman of this town, was elected as the new club president for 1962. Dr. Dorion succeeds Yvanhoe Chevrier in the presidential office.

Infant death at Carillon

Two-months-old Sylvian Pilon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Pilon, of Carillon, was found dead in his crib by his parents on Thursday of last week.

Joint district coroner Dr. Roger Lavigne pronounced "natural death", caused by asphyxiation.

Responsibility accepted in matter of Hamford St. bridge, Ayersville

Reassuming the chairmanship at Ayersville Council at its statutory meeting last week, Mayor Gaetan Paquette refused to sign the secretary's minutes for November 6 and 22, on which dates he was absent from the sessions.

Correspondence

A letter was presented from Mme Jacques Joly claiming for damages to her car in striking a post 3 ft. 4 inches on the road, at Argenteuil Street. The claim was referred to an insurance company.

A letter from Mlle Luce Lafortune, assistant secretary-treasurer, submitted her resignation from the town employ to accept another job. A resolution was passed in appreciation of her services.

A request from Jean Lalonde, St. Jerome, as president of the Laurentian Tourist Bureau, asked for a grant, at the rate of about 5 cents per capita. The request was held over.

Varied Business

Welden Motors was given the snow-clearing contract for the Centerville road, at $300 a mile, the same price as last year.

Permit for changes to her residence was given to Mme Adelard Ranger.

Accounts totalling $2,534.22 were passed for payment.

René St.-Jacques, Fuller Brush representative, asked information concerning business tax on door-to-door salesmen. It appears that certain vendors are exempt from tax, which, Mr. St.-Jacques contended, is unfair to those who pay the levy.

Responsibility for New Bridge

At the request of the Department of Public Works, it was moved by Coun. Plamondon, seconded by Coun. Champagne, as follows:

(1) That the Municipality of Ayersville shall accept responsibility for damage to any property neighboring the Hamford Street bridge, AFTER termination of the construction work,

(2) That, having inspected the re-location of sewer and water lines made necessary by construction of this bridge, and having found the same satisfactory — the municipality shall free the Department of any future responsibility in this matter.

The meeting was adjourned until December 22. Coun. Gauthier was the only member absent from this assembly.

New officers for 1962 elected at Red Cross

The annual meeting of the Canadian Red Cross, Lachute Branch, was held December 6, with Mrs. A. G. McOuat in the chair.

Red Cross Workrooms

Highlighting the meeting was a report on the activities of the Women's Work Committee, given by Mrs. Fraser Morrison, chairman of that committee. From December 1, 1960, to December 1, 1961, six shipments were made to Red Cross Headquarters in Montreal, which contained the following articles:

21 Donations, such as mittens, children's socks and sleeping garments.

154 Knitted articles of Red Cross material — baby garments, children's socks and sweaters.

729 Sewn articles ranging in size from baby vests and night-gowns to large size bed quilts.

4165 Swabs for the Blood Transfusion Service. (Mrs. G. G. Mitchell)

29 Patchwork quilts.

Mrs. Morrison said another shipment would be made this month in addition to the above, and thanked Mrs. Fred Roberts, Mrs. Harry Scott, Mrs. J. R. Carreau and Mrs. Mae Tillotson, all members of the Women's Work Committee. Appreciation was also expressed to all volunteer Red Cross workers in the community whose faithful efforts made La-

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Outline of curriculum changes

'Subject Promotion', school innovation to be adopted at L.H.S. in September

At school opening in September 1962, the Lachute Protestant School Board, with the approval of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Education, will initiate an experiment in the fundamental re-organization of the high school curriculum. The experiment is to be conducted in the high school grades and will proceed for three years. During this time the principles, practices, and general results of the trial will be evaluated and decisions taken for its continuance, abandonment, or extension.

In its first year (that is, 1962-63), the re-organization will include Grades VIII and X only. In subsequent years, all the high school grades (VIII, IX, X and XI) will be involved.

This experiment is designed to provide:

1. A more rigorous program for the academically able.

2. An arrangement whereby pupils who can benefit will be stimulated and challenged to remain in school longer. In other words, this is an attempt to meet the drop-out problem.

3. Relatively homogeneous classes in each subject, which should make teaching more economical in time and more effective in substance.

4. A more effective system of pupil guidance.

Briefly, the re-organization of the high school curriculum embraced in the experiment means the abandonment of pupils' promotion by grade (i.e.) from VIII to IX to X to XI) and the substitution of promotion by subjects. Superficially viewed, this seems like a simple and rather mechanical change of organization for the promotion of pupils, but it has important and far-reaching implications for the student's whole program of studies. Main features involved in the change are as follows:

1. The pupil is promoted by his successful annual study of a subject; not by his study of the work of a grade as a whole. Eventual high school graduation is the result of his accumulated success in a requisite number of subject units of study.

Some subjects may be completed in one year (for example, Physics and Chemistry); others require progressive study and achievement over several years, unit by unit (for example, English — 4 years; French — 4 years; History — 4 years, Home Economics — 2 years).

In general, a longer time will be spent on a subject each year than is now the case, and fewer subjects will be taken during the year. This means that the student will concentrate his study on fewer subjects each year, devoting more time to each.

2. Just as a pupil "passes" in subjects instead of grades, he will repeat — not the whole grade — but only the **subjects** in which he has failed, except when a pupil fails more than a stipulated number of subjects. This is an important feature of the system. Hitherto, a pupil failing any grade has inevitably had to repeat in that grade certain subjects in which he was successful. By eliminating grade pass and failure, and basing progress on the individual subjects, the student now repeats only and specifically the subjects in which he was unsuccessful, There is in this provision the logic of economy in the pupil's time, effort and ability.

3. Integral to the new system is an individual timetable of courses and classes for each pupil. The great disadvantage of this provision is in reality individualizing the course of study for every pupil's needs. No longer must a pupil take certain courses simply because he is placed in a grade and class with other pupils and must therefore take courses in common with all those of that class. Greater flexibility exists, to plot each student's course in accordance with the subjects his goals and abilities require.

4. Concurrently with the individual timetable goes the grouping of pupils according to their abilities, achievement and interests. This is done by subjects, so that pupils of like abilities and needs are arranged in varying groups for different subjects — for example, Methematics and English. A student, depending on his ability and achievement, may be in an "A" group in one subject and a "B" group in another. This is fundamental in adapting the curriculum to the considered requirements of the varying needs of the students.

5. Of course, safeguards must be set up in the organization to ensure continuity of learning in various subjects through the high school years, and to prevent unwise or haphazard choices of subjects for study by the pupils. Chief among such safeguards are the following positive provisions:

(a) A proportion of every pupil's study during his whole high school career must consist of **compulsory** subjects. That is, every pupil must take a required number of units in certain subjects. Thus, four units of English are required. So are four units of French. This is also true of History. One or more units of various other subjects are likewise compulsory, so that the student com-

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Named director of Holstein Assn.



HAROLD WILSON,

who has been re-elected one of three Quebec representatives on the directorate of the Holstein Friesian Association of Canada. The voting was by mail ballot.

Brownsburg Legion 71 celebrates

25th Anniversary banquet and presentations

Brownsburg — Legion members and their escorts, and the Ladies' Auxiliary with their escorts, attended the 25th anniversary dinner held at the Brownsburg Legion Hall. Guests from Provincial Command were also in attendance.

After an enjoyable dinner, several Legion members were presented with awards. Life memberships were presented by the Provincial president, G. H. L. St. Germain, to Sydney Stilwell, David McCulloch, Sr., and John (Jock) Maitland. The immediate past Provincial president, E. Struthers, presented 25 - year awards to Arthur Robbins, Thomas Pasco, John Maitland, David McCulloch, Sr., Thomas Izzard, Charles Wheatley and Joe Brownrigg.

Five charter members were present for the occasion, including the charter president, A. J. Quinn. Short talks were given by the Provincial president, the immediate past-president, and by H. S. Steele, District Commander.

The guests were thanked by the chairman, F. L. Tessier, president of Branch 71. Following the presentation of the awards and speeches, dancing was enjoyed by all in attendance.



Head-table notables at the Brownsburg Legion 25th anniversary banquet — left to right, W. Moncrieff, H. S. Steele, Provincial President G. H. L. St. Germain, Branch 71 President F. L. Tessier, Provincial Past-President E. Struthers and L. Camus.



Comrade Bazil Jackson, sergeant-at-arms, presenting three new life members of the Branch to Provincial President G. H. L. St. Germain. . . . (Left to right) Mr. St. Germain, B. Jackson, Sydney Stilwell, D. McCulloch and Gerald Maitland (receiving the award on behalf of his father, John "Jock" Maitland, absent on a Florida vacation).

Town Council sidelights on police and fire departments

The monthly police report by Chief J.-L. Hébert indicated 318 service calls to the department in November, and $810.25 collected in traffic fines.

There were eight arrests and 21 persons were accommodated in the cells (for their own protection or otherwise).

The summary indicates also 25 automobile accidents; nine persons reported missing and subsequently located; one car stolen, and recovered; seven bicycles stolen, and recovered; and five thefts.

Fire Report

Chief Don MacCulloch reported only three fires during the month, all within the town limits, and one practice session held.

At Council

Other matters at Council pertained to these two departments. . . . One of these was a letter from René Dagenais, proprietor-manager of the I.G.A., commending the efficiency of Cst. Laurin, Cst. Aubertin and Lieut. Cyr in preventing on attempted entry and robbery at his store last October.

In connection with tickets issued for night parking on the streets, Council agreed to cancel 52 of these tickets which had been affixed to cars prior to December 1.

Among the month's accounts was a bill of $781.50 approved for firemen's dress uniforms. This had been authorized at a previous meeting, but the actual invoice was for $966.95 — due to a change in quality of material supplied by Esquire Shop without notifying the Council. This made a difference of $185.45, and Council delayed its approval in order to check with those concerned.

Week's Epigram

Good judgment comes from experience, and experience comes from poor judgment.

No edition in Christmas week

There will be no issue of this newspaper December 27, due to statutory holidays and inability to ensure deliveries in reasonable time.

Advertisers having messages or notices pertaining to Christmas week and New Year's, are asked to look ahead and order such advertising for our next issue, December 20 — which is the special Christmas number of The Lachute Watchman.

Rotary Club hears talk on cable vision

At the December 7 meeting of Brownsburg-Lachute Rotary Club, it was evident that the curling season had begun — for there was not a very large group on hand after the dinner to hear Rotarian Alex Kerr give his Classification talk.

Alex is manager of the newly-formed Lachute Cable Vision Inc., and his talk consisted of just how cable television works, and the benefits derived from it.

Just beyond the eastern town limits on the north side of the river, is located the site for their main equipment, at the base of a 100-foot tower. At the top of the tower there are as many as six stacked antennas, which are joined together so that when the television signal is received by the uppermost one and relayed through the others, it is actually multiplied by the number of antennas so as to greatly increase the strength of the signal. This is then relayed through a head end, which is a number of amplifiers and pre-amplifiers — which also boosts the signal again. The head end also filters out the signal so as to produce as clear an image as possible. The signal is then fed through a trunk cable (which is a large shielded cable) across - country to the pole line which stretches down Gilbert St. and across the river, and from there a smaller shielded cable is strung throughout the town via the Bell Telephone poles. The individual hook-ups to the houses are much the same as that of a telephone. Another outstanding feature of cable vision is that the strength of the signal is equal in any part of town; in other words, if one is living just near the tower, the signal received will be of the same strength as one received out near the western town limits.

The talk proved most interesting as it was a subject which very few know much about.

Bolodrome highest scorers listed in Mixed Commercial and Men's League

Men's Commercial League

Jean Pierre Bélisle	39	165
Laurent Bélisle	31	155
Marcel Brunette	33	152
Laurent Brasseur	27	152
Jean Pierre Pilon	39	149
André Cousineau	18	148
Jean Marie Guénette	33	146
Richard Pharand	39	145
Marcel Gauthier	30	145
Howard Ward	37	144
Dénis Brunette	36	143
J. Pierre Gibeault	32	143
Lloyd Bryson	29	143

High Single, Yves Sauvé, 253
High Triple, Jean P. Bélisle, 650

Team Standing

Fairway Sales	39	25	14	34
Coca-Cola	39	25	14	33
Molson's	39	24	15	32
Gaetan Leclair	39	24	15	30
Dow	39	22	17	29
Lachute Flooring	39	19	20	28
Veteran Taxi	39	21	18	26
Seven-Up	39	19	20	25
Labatt 50	39	18	21	24
O'Keefe	39	17	22	23
Jos. Malaket	39	16	23	21
Lach. Creamery	36	7	29	9

Mixed Commercial League

— Men —

Laurent Bélisle	18	154
Lloyd Bryson	36	149
Howard Ward	36	147
Don Boa	34	143
Yves Sauvé	18	143
Florian Brunette	23	142
James M. Duncan	36	141
J. Jacques Charron	36	139
Joe Martell	36	138
Bud Langille	36	138
Charlie Binda	36	136
Denis Brunette	36	136
Aimé Dagenais	36	135

— Women —

Monique Brodeur	36	132
Eileen Morrison	36	131
Louise Brisebois	33	125
Marge Martell	36	124
Freda Gordon	33	121
Bertie Langille	33	118
Muriel Binda	36	117
Juliette Guay	33	113
Pauline Théoret	36	112
Barbara Bryson	36	110

Team Standing

Kingsbeer	36	27	9	37
Volkswagen	36	26	10	35
David's	36	25	11	35
Bouvrette Enrg	36	25	10	34
Gerald Thibault	36	22	14	31
Lowe Bros.	36	20	16	29
The Brysons	36	20	16	27
La Ruche	36	19	17	24
Aime Dagenais	36	17	19	22
Mme Turcotte	36	16	20	21
L'Argenteuil	36	17	19	21
Blue Birds	36	13	23	18
Lachute Inn	36	11	25	15
Molson's	36	12	24	14
Yves Gravel	24	9	15	11
Lach. Creamery	36	7	29	8

L.H.S. teams in basketball tilts

On Friday night the two senior teams from Rosemere played basketball at Lachute High School.

The Senior girls of Lachute won by a score of 29-17. The three local stars of this game were Delia Miller, Linda McCaskill and Linda Bradford.

The senior boys also played and won, by a score of 61-31. The three stars were Ian Cairns, John Hay and Gordie MacKay.

On Saturday, the two Lachute High junior teams travelled to Rosemere to play. The Lachute junior girls won on this occasion by a score of 30-17. The three local stars were Janis LeBlanc, Helen McGibbon and Ruthanna Barlow.

Next, the junior L.H.S. boys played against Rosemere — the latter team winning in a close contest, 34-28. This score was obtained by playing two-minute overtime periods. The three local stars were Herbie Underhill, Jamie Menzies and Jimmy Ogilvie.

NOT THE ANSWER

White Rock, B.C. (CP) — Curfew is not the answer to the juvenile delinquency problem, Magistrate H. S. Keenleyside told a Parent-Teacher panel. He said turning to the curfew was an admission of defeat.

Home bonspiels in progress by lady enthusiasts

Play in the lady curlers' turkey bonspiel has been going each day, with the semi-finals Thursday and the finals on Friday of this week. . . . The Singles competition is also going on, the second round being played this week.

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Last week the following players took part in friendly games — Mrs. L. W. York (skip), Mrs. Leo Carriere, Mrs. R. E. Thorne, Mrs. R. R. Davidson, at Outremont on Tuesday, December 5. . . . Mrs. R. M. Cairns (skip), Mrs. F. Wood, Mrs. S. Milnes, Mrs. S. G. Patterson, at Wentworth on Wednesday, the 6th; and Mrs. A. G. Giles (skip), Mrs. S. Wilson, Mrs. Don Heggie, Mrs. L. R. Duncan, at St. Sauveur also on Wednesday.



Tips on hunting and fishing

King Whyte, the veteran sportsman who offers tips on hunting and fishing each Saturday night on CBC-TV's King Whyte Show, knows his guns, lock, stock and barrel. In his game room, King has a total of 15 shotguns and rifles and three pistols, each as good as the man who fires them. He's been elected honorary member of rod and gun clubs the length and breadth of Canada.

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I WONDER . . . Curiosity is a priceless gift. A youngster's daily questions indicate a bright, inquiring mind. They should be answered intelligently. In this column each week the editors of this newspaper, in cooperation with The Book of Knowledge, will print those questions — and the answers — most frequently asked by children of their parents.

Why does a Fisherman Look for Earthworms after a Rain?

Like all other creatures and living things, earthworms must have air to live. People and animals breathe through air passages from nose and mouth but an earthworm breathes through its skin. When rain soaks the ground, it fills up the air spaces in the soil and this forces the worms to crawl to the surface to breathe. The fisherman who wants earthworms for bait much prefers, of course, to pick them off the ground than to dig for them.

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How Big is the Earth?

Earth is not the biggest of our sun's family of planets. Jupiter, for example, is many times bigger. Still the earth is very big — nearly 25,000 miles around. If we could dig a tunnel straight down through the centre of the earth, it would come up on the other side 8,000 miles away. A jet aeroplane, travelling 600 miles an hour, would take two days and nights to travel around the world.

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What Animal is Smaller Than Any Other?

Actually, all living beings, except plants, are members of the Animal Kingdom. There are animals called protozoans that are so small they cannot be seen without the aid of a magnifying glass or microscope.

Most people, when they refer to animals, are thinking of mammals with hair or fur. Perhaps the question should have been "What is the smallest mammal?" The answer would then be "the shrew". Even when full grown, some shrews would fit easily into a large thimble. But not all shrews are that small, for some are the size of small rats. Shrews have long, pointed noses, small eyes with poor eyesight, long whiskers and short legs. Their teeth are sharp and suited to chopping up insects. For their size, shrews have an enormous appetite, eating as much, or more, than their own weight in food each day.

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What is the Biggest Thing there Is?

So far as we know, the biggest object is one of two stars called Epsilon Aurigae. It is 3,000 times bigger across than our sun, which means that it is 300 thousand times wider than the world we live on.

A jet plane, speeding at 600 miles an hour could fly around Earth in two days and nights. An object travelling at that same speed would take about 1700 years to go around the giant of Epsilon Aurigae. This huge star is so far away that, big as it is, we need a powerful telescope to view it.

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Readers are invited to send their own questions to WONDER Questions. The more interesting questions and answers will be published in a future column. — Write: Grolier Society Research Service, 800 Bay St., Suite 104, Toronto 5, Ont.



"I hope he knocks me down next round — I'm tired!"

Anglican Church Bowling League

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Rovers, W. Chambers	4	1	3	0	32	38	2
Bankmont, Miss M. Silverson	4	1	3	0	28	34	2
Stars, Rev. C. Lang	4	0	4	0	29	46	0

Moisture or frost on windows

Moisture condenses on windows or frost forms on them in winter. For winter, storm windows are indicated. At other seasons it means the air has too much moisture in it. Ventilation to bring in outside air which normally contains less moisture vapour, is the best answer. Ventilation can be managed by leaving a window open a little crack — the width depending on the season of the year and the amount of air needed to dry up the conditions. It may also be managed by periodically opening the doors and airing the place out. Sometimes a kitchen fan in the kitchen or bathroom will provide enough ventilation. Professor A. Banting, of the Agricultural Engineering Department, Macdonald College, says that this is the most common of condensation problems in the home.

Snow-spraying

Aerosol snow really comes into its own at this time of the year. Decorating with snow is fun, and the snow can be easily vacuumed or washed off later.

Large masses of evergreen branches can be sprayed, tied with a large red bow and placed about the house for a holiday air.

For another touch, spray free-form designs on your vases and crystal pitchers. A Christmas bow tied on the handle and the pitcher used for a vase is a thought.

Make an arrangement of fresh fruit for your table and then frost generously with aerosol snow for an unusual effect. Grapes, apples and oranges lend themselves to this treatment extremely well. Tuck in some evergreen around the edges of the arrangement for a final touch.



"Le Voyageur" dining room

Mme François Charlebois and Mlle Lyne Poulin, who both sent in a winning suggestion for naming of the new "Le Voyageur" dining salon, split the $50 award given by the proprietor, Gaston Ampleman. Seen above (left to right) are Mr. Ampleman; Mme Charlebois (Lachute); Mme Poulin (Ayersville), mother of Lyne Poulin; and Mme Ampleman. The group were photographed at a reception held last week at the new establishment.

— Photo, Syd Drew

Watchman Want Ads bring results.

Designs churches to answer needs

Vancouver (CP) — Churches, like homes, should be designed for those who live in them, says Vancouver architect William Wilding.

Color, light, fabric and the use of appropriate wood can induce a worshipful response on the part of the church-goer just as a well-planned home gives a sense of warmth and security to a family, he said.

A graduate of the University of Glasgow, Wilding has designed 104 churches in Canada and the United States since establishing his firm here five years ago.

Wilding and his associates have designed churches for every Protestant denomination.

One of their most recent projects was the new Central Presbyterian Church at Stratford, Ont., which will also be used for choral concerts at the Stratford Festival.

Wilding says the order of service of the church has an effect on the design of the building.

"Some denominations require a church that could almost be classed as an auditorium, others with a strong emphasis on liturgy require focusing of the main attention on the chancel and the minister," he said.

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New officers for 1962 elected at Red Cross

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chute's contribution to the Red Cross Workrooms so outstanding.

Other Reports

Reports were also heard on the work of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service, the Campaign for Funds, the Loan Cupboard, and Home Nursing.

Mrs. McOuat thanked all who had assisted so generously during the year and, as chairman of the nominating committee, read the following slate of officers, who were duly installed for the coming year:

New Officers

Honorary President, Mrs. F. W. FitzGerald.

President, Mrs. A. G. McOuat.

Vice-Presidents — 1st, Mrs. F. L. Legault; 2nd, Mrs. Edgar Pollock; 3rd, Mrs. L. W. Armstrong.

Secretary, Mrs. Harry Booth.

Treasurer, Mrs. Roy Fraser.

Directors — Mrs. E. H. Wilson, Mrs. G. G. Mitchell, Mrs. George McGibbon, Miss L. Hampton, Mrs. Geo. Y. Deacon.

Women's Work Committee — Mrs. Fraser Morrison (Sewing); Mrs. Fred Roberts (Knitting); Mrs. Harry Scott (Quilts); Mrs. J. R. Carreau (Packing); Mrs. Mae Tillotson (Knitting).

Campaign (One Year) — Chairman, Mr. Cliff Cunningham; Co-chairmen, Mr. Wilbrod Cousineau, Mr. Roger Gravel.

Blood Donor Clinic—Chairman, Mr. K. P. Riley; co-chairman, Mr. Paul Deslauriers; records, Mrs. Richard Stephens; emergency calls for blood donations, Mr. Linton Armstrong (LO 2-5005).

Loan Cupboard — chairman, Mrs. Dave Schwartz; co-chairman, Mrs. Thos. Milnes.

Veterans' Welfare, Mr. Carl Demerse.

Home Nursing — Mrs. A. M. Vessie, Mrs. Leopold Carrière, Mrs. S. Dupré.

Swimming & Water Safety — Mrs. George McGibbon, Mrs. Ernest Emmett.

Publicity & Promotion — Mrs. Howard Watson, Mrs. K. M. Clarke.

Disaster Committee — Mayor F. Legault, Police Chief J. L. Hebert, Fire Chief Donald MacCulloch, Robt. Giles, Sr., Mrs. W. M. Cottingham, Dr. L. Turcotte.

Nominating Committee — Mrs. Eric Hibbard, Mrs. E. K. Wilson, Mrs. Leonard Bedard, Miss Fleur-Ange Carrière.

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Council affairs in Township of Chatham

At the council meeting in Chatham, held December 4 at St. Philippe, By-law 120 concerning streetlights was passed, and the mayor and secretary were authorized to sign the necessary contract with Gatineau Power Company.

Notice of motion was given by Coun. Ernest Lacasse that at the next regular meeting he will sponsor a by-law to change the civic election date from May to January.

Coun. Adam Meyer was named pro-mayor for the ensuing three months.

Councillors Adelard Gagné and Wm. Morrow moved adoption of By-law 121, prescribing the width of roads required before the municipality accepts their maintenance.

Bills for $2,673.16 were approved for payment, and the meeting was adjourned until December 11.

Mayor Romeo Foucault occupied the chair.

Christmas events at Masonic Hall

The Masonic Hall, Brownsburg Road, will be in good use during holiday week, and there will be entertainment on the program for young and old.

December 27 — Argenteuil Lodge No. 67 will hold its regular St. John's Night banquet, with installation of officers. Supper at 6.45 p.m.

December 29 — Argenteuil Lodge Estate Inc. has planned a special evening of dancing, starting at 9.30 p.m., with dress optional and all refreshments included, at $15 per couple.

December 30 — New Year's teen-age dance sponsored by Argenteuil Lodge No. 67, starting at 9 p.m. A similar event was held last year and proved most successful. No intoxicating liquors are allowed, and the admission fee is only 75c a person. This event is specially planned for young people 15 to 20 years of age.

Watchman Want Ads bring results.



"Watch the rocks, Harry,"

Subject Promotion to be adopted next school year

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pletes high school with a well-balanced program, the minimum requirements of which are as follows: 4 units of English; 4 units of French; 4 units of History; 1 unit of Mathematics; 1 unit of Science.

In addition to these compulsory subjects, the student will complete his program by the addition of electives — subjects chosen from a comprehensive list of offerings to meet varied interests and needs. Some pupils will thus elect more Science and Mathematics, beyond the compulsory minimum requirements. They will also have the opportunity to include subjects such as Geography, Industrial Arts, Home Economics, Typewriting, Stenography, and Office Practice, etc. The point is that each pupil will, beyond the compulsory subject core of study, round out his program with a balanced choice of electives. The electives he takes will in large measure be determined by his future plans (for example, entrance to a university), his interests and abilities along certain lines (for example, in Geography or Industrial Arts), and the desirability of giving him a measure of freedom to choose something of interest and cultural or practical value from a wide list of suitable subjects (for example, Industrial Arts, Typewriting, etc.).

(b) Guidance is a fundamental provision to ensure the pupil's appropriate choices. This cannot be over-emphasized. Students in high school are not only entitled to, but require, guidance by teachers and trained counsellors who know and understand them as individuals, are familiar with their abilities and needs, and their past record, and can assist them with their future plans. Thus a free-wheeling program with indiscriminate choices of courses is avoided. The class teachers and guidance counsellors will, through discussion and advice, assist pupils and their parents to choose wisely the subjects and the total program which best meet each pupil's needs.

To this end, guidance counselling services will be increased. The counsellor will follow progressively the careers of the pupils through the four years of high school. The counsellor and the class teachers will work closely together to help each student plan a suitable program.

6. Two important and closely related expectations are anticipated from this re-organization. . . . It is expected that both failures and early school drop-outs will be reduced.

School failure in high school, it has been noted, arises in large measure from pupils attempting courses beyond their abilities and in which they have little or no interest. The grouping of pupils by ability, achievement, and interests, and adapting instruction to the various groups, will, it is believed, result in less failure and more constructive learning.

Early school drop-out is closely allied to failure and to uncontrolled circumstances which force a pupil to attempt continuously academic work beyond his capacity. The provision of courses which meet varying levels of ability, and careful guidance of students into appropriate courses, should greatly modify this premature disruption of many pupils' high school education.

7. Students of high academic ability — bright pupils — stand to gain from the re-organization. This is regarded as extremely important. Again, it is the grouping of students by ability and effective guidance into suitable courses, which will make this possible.

The conviction has been growing that many of our best students, under existing arrangements, are not fully extended in their academic achievement. The organized, flexible grouping by subjects described above will enable exceptional students in various subjects (for example, Mathematics or English or Languages) to proceed farther, faster, and with greater depth of learning as instruction is adapted to their particular groupings.

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The curriculum organization known as Subject Promotion, briefly outlined above, is not new. It has been used successfully for many years in other Canadian provinces (notably, British Columbia and Alberta) and universally in the United States.

It is being launched here experimentally with considered expectation of success, particularly with such modifications to Quebec circumstances as the experiment in action will demonstrate to be desirable.

Its inception is the result of three years of intensive and continuous study of the problem of how to make better provision for the varying abilities and education needs of our very cosmopolitan high school student body.

Santa parade organized by Loisirs group

The Ste. Anastasie Loisirs committee has again undertaken the organizing of a Santa Claus parade, for entertainment of the kiddies of this parish — to be held Sunday afternoon, December 17, starting out from Arc Supply Ltd., Bethany Road, at 2 o'clock.

Proceeding via Bethany Street to Main, the parade will be greeted personally by the legendary St. Nick. Mayor Fernand Legault and Alderman Linton Armstrong (pro-mayor) will briefly address the young-fry, and Christmas treats will be handed out to all and sundry.

The organizing committee, Roger Fauteux and René Matte, invite the adult population and their families to witness this parade; and all business firms joining the procession with suitably decorated vehicles, will be welcomed. Information is available from Mr. Fauteux at LO 2-4143.

Novel venture, bottle collection by Boy Scouts

Something new in Boy Scout fund-raising efforts, will enable Lachute and district to assist the boys and their leaders once again in this good work — also will provide an opportunity for householders to dispose of empty beverage and medicine bottles, glass jars and containers, which have a way of accumulating around the premises. Lachute Scout Troop has found a market not only for returnable bottles but also for scrap glass, and they will hold a drive to collect this material on Saturday, January 6.

Collections will be made at the door, and anyone out-of-town — in the surrounding country or villages with exception of Brownsburg — may telephone and arrangements will be made to pick up contributions.

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DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Brownsburg

Miss Jane Chambers was in Montreal last week.

Women's Institute

The business meeting of the Brownsburg W.I. was held in the High School last Thursday evening, with the president, Mrs. T. Zimmer, in the chair. Reports of the different conveners were given, including an interesting account of a recent visit to the St. Philippe Hospital by Mrs. Lemuel Wilson and Mrs. N. E. Smillie, when reading material and gifts were presented to many of the patients. These were greatly appreciated by the recipients, who expressed their thanks to the donors. The W.I. hopes to continue this work of bringing "sunshine" to shut-ins.

Following the business session, all present gathered in the gymnasium, where an interesting Christmas program was presented by a number of the members and other guests. Mrs. Bertha Enlow, Home Economics convener, was in charge. Home-made candy was enjoyed, and home-made cookies were sold. . . . A special vote of thanks is extended to all who helped in making this event a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy MacAdam, Mr. Dale MacAdam and Miss Frances Fletcher spent Sunday with relatives in Pointe aux Trembles.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Mason, of Kingston, were week-end guests of Mrs. Wesley Mason and other relatives in the community.

Births, Marriages, Deaths, etc.

Births, Marriages, Deaths, and In Memorium, etc., $1.00; 5 cents per type line extra for verses with In Memorium (estimate 8 word per type line).

BIRTHS

KING — To Mr. and Mrs. John King (née Lorna Copeland), a son, brother to Cynthia Dorothy.

URBAIN — Guy and Gloria (née Cruise) are happy to announce the birth of a son, Mark, 8 lbs. 4 ozs., on Dec. 10, 1961, at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Both well.

DEATHS

JACKSON (William) — At Mount Maple, Que., on Dec. 12, 1961, William Jackson, in his 76th year, beloved husband of May Eva Moore. Remains resting at the J. P. MacKimmie Reg. Funeral Home, 660 Main St., Lachute. Funeral Thursday, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m., from the Brownsburg United Church; interment at Dalesville, Que.

IN MEMORIAM

ANDREWS — In loving memory of a dear son and brother, Lyall, who passed away Dec. 13, 1937. — Always dearly remembered by Mom, Dad and family.

BENNETT — In loving memory of a dear husband, Pete, who passed away Dec. 15, 1960. — Always lovingly remembered by his wife, Annie.

"The Golden Gates stood open
one year ago today,
With loving farewells left unspoken,
You sadly slipped away.
God knew that you were weary,
The hills too steep to climb,
He gently took your hand in His,
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'."

GRAHAM — In loving memory of dear Dad (Alvin), who passed away Dec. 12, 1956. — Always remembered by Joyce and George.

"Like falling leaves the years drift by,
But love and memories never die."

KETTYLE — In loving memory of dear Lillian, who passed away, Dec. 13, 1959. — Mother and Dad Kettyle and family.

"The memories we have from day to day,
No length of time can take away,
For in our hearts you are always near,
Still loved, still missed, and ever dear."

KILPATRICK — In loving memory of a dear son, Freeman, who was accidentally killed Dec. 16, 1954. — Lovingly remembered, Mother.

"A little prayer keeps me in touch
With a son I loved and miss so much;
Your memory, dear, will never grow old,
It's locked in my heart in letters of gold."

KILPATRICK — In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle, Freeman, who was accidentally killed Dec. 16, 1954. — Always remembered, Phyllis, Sid, Lorraine and Bonnie Lee.

"Resting where no shadows fall,
In perfect peace you await us all;
God will link the broken chain
As one by one we meet again."

LANCE — In loving memory of Mother, Mrs. W. L. Lance, who passed away Dec. 14, 1960. — Sadly missed by her daughter, Zilda, son-in-law, Wilfred, and grandchildren.

"Asleep in God's garden,
No worry, no pain —
God bless you, dear Mother,
Till we meet again."

IN MEMORIAM

LAWTON — In loving memory of a beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Alberta Lawton, who passed away Dec. 14, 1957. — Always remembered by the family.

"Sometimes it's hard to understand
Why some things have to be,
But in His wisdom God has planned
Beyond our power to see."

MOTT — In loving memory of a dear dad and grandfather, who passed away Dec. 15, 1957. — Always remembered by Gladys, Bill and family.

"Mingling today with a few quiet tears,
Are the happy memories of by-gone years
Just as you were, you will always be,
Treasured forever in our memory."

MOTT — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, who left us four years ago today, Dec. 15, 1957. —

"You left us beautiful memories, often secret tears,
Always you'll be with us
As we journey through the years.
Parting was great sorrow,
Our hearts know many a pain;
We'll meet when God is willing,
Never to part again."

SMITH — In loving memory of Samuel E. Smith, who passed away Dec. 12, 1952. — Your loving wife and family.

"A loving thought, a silent tear,
In memories you are always near."

THOMPSON — In loving memory of Gilbert James Thompson, who passed away Dec. 18, 1952. — Always remembered by his wife, Marjorie.

"Some day we will understand."

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

HUTT — The family of the late Mrs. James Hutt would like to extend their thanks to friends, neighbors and relatives, for flowers, masses and acts of kindness in their recent bereavement.

SEARY — Mrs. Gertrude Seary and family wish to express their thanks for the many flowers, cards, calls, and acts of sympathy extended to them in the loss of their son and brother, Jack, at Ajax, Ont., on November 25.

APPRECIATION

I wish to express my appreciation to friends and relatives, for the cards and well wishes extended during my sojourn in the Montreal General Hospital.

— David Bradley

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGill, Mr. and Mrs David and children, motored to Dorval on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Young, with Carl and Arlene, spent the week-end in Ottawa and Renfrew — accompanied by their son, Willis, of Aylmer.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. Carl Page, in the loss of a sister and mother.

Arundel

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis are motoring in Vermont, visiting with friends.

Week-end visitors at the home of Mrs. Alvin Graham were Mr. and Mrs. G. Keuster, and Mr. and Mrs. Trueman and family.

Dwelling-House Fires

Fire again struck here during the past week, the victims being Mr. Howard Davis and Mr. A. Dobbie. While the houses did not burn, the interior in each case was badly gutted, as both fires had been smoldering for some time. We are especially regretful for Mr. Howard Davis, who has been the unfortunate victim of two fires. Prompt action on the part of the men of the community prevented further damage.

White Gift Sunday

White Gift Sunday was observed in the United Church on Sunday morning. The devotional part of the service was taken entirely by three of the young members, Miss Bonnie Lee, Miss Mary Belle Swail and Donald McMahon. It is encouraging to see our young people taking such active interest in church work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swail, of Ste. Agathe, visited with Mr. and Mrs. S. Swail over the week-end.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Kilpatrick, mother of Mrs. S. Swail, underwent surgery last week and there are now hopes of a recovery.

Fire at Barkmere

Fire struck at Barkmere this week when the home belonging to the Elliott family was discovered to be burning. When the outbreak was discovered, the home was too far gone to be saved. Fortunately the blaze did not spread. This house was one of the pioneer homes on the lake, and we convey our sincere regrets to the Elliott family.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Anglican Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Gordon Phillips on Saturday, 16th. This is the Christmas meeting, and the president, Mrs. B. Henry, would like every member to make an effort to be in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. James and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith and family, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Staniforth.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gray, of Ste. Dorothée, Que., visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gray on Sunday.

APPRECIATION

Many thanks to all my friends and neighbors who so kindly remembered me while I was in hospital — for cards and visitations, also for kindness shown my wife during my illness.

Sincerely, — Howard Elliott

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Cushing West

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Mr. Henry Villeneuve, of Ottawa, spent the week-end with his wife and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Woods and daughter, Diane, spent the week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gaston.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gillies and son, Jimmy, of Beaurepaire, and Mr. Arthur Harcourt, of Pointe Claire, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pinkerton during the week-end.

Mr. Chester Gain, of Sunbury, Ont., and Mr. R. Hampton, called on friends in Cushing West on Monday.

Bereavement

It was with regret that friends received word of the sudden death of Mrs. Mae MacConkey, of Pickford, Mich., who passed away on Saturday, December 3, en route to hospital. Left to mourn are her family and two sisters, Mrs. C. J. Cooke, of Sydenham, Ont., and Mrs. Katie Anderson, of Michigan. Sincere sympathy is extended to her family in the loss of a loving and devoted mother, and to Mrs. C. J. Cooke and Mrs. Anderson, in the loss of a loving sister.

Rivington

A fair amount of pulp wood floated down the Rouge River last Thursday. At the present time, because of the colder weather, "frozie" forming at the intake racks of the Bell Falls Power Station requires attention.

Home and School

The Harrington Intermediate Home and School Association held its monthly meeting last Tuesday. Mr. George W. Bennett, guest speaker, showed very interesting slides of the Peace River District to a keen and enthusiastic group.

The pupils and teachers of Harrington Intermediate School are busily preparing for a Christmas Tree concert in old-fashioned style, to be presented Thursday evening, December 21.

Special Services

There will be no service next Sunday in the Rivington Baptist Church. A joint service of the Avoca and Rivington Baptist Churches will be held in the Avoca Baptist Church, at 11 a.m. The children of the two Sunday schools will present a Christmas program entitled, "Christmas Pathways". There will also be a joint service of the two Baptist Churches in the Rivington Baptist Church on Sunday, December 24, at 11 a.m., featuring music by the Avoca Baptist Choir.

Calumet

Mrs. Leonard Reeves spent Sunday in Masson visiting her daughter, Mrs. Romeo Lajeunesse.

The many friends of Alex Craig are pleased to see him home again after his stay in hospital.

Deanna Hall, of Ottawa, spent the week-end at her home.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Page in the death of his mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Barker, of Lachute, called on Mr. and Mrs. Alex Craig last Saturday.

Garry Kelly, of Ottawa, spent the week-end at his home here.

Miss Margaret Bowls called on Mrs. Leonard Reeves and Mrs. E. Nixon last Monday.

LATE ENTRY

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Tuesday, Dec. 19	8.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 20	8.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 21	8.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 22	8.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 23	8.30 a.m. to 6.00 pm.

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St. Simeon's Ladies' Guild

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Guild of St. Simeon's Church was recently held in the church hall.

Yearly reports were given by the executive, showing gratifying results for the year's work on behalf of the church.

A substantial amount was given to the wardens towards the Rectory Building Fund.

The Rev. C. R. Lang was then asked to take the chair for the election of officers for 1962, which resulted as follows:

Hon. president, Mrs. C. Lang
President, Mrs. E. Rice.
Vice-president, Miss H. Smith.
Secretary, Mrs. Geo. Leggett.
Treasurer, Miss L. Miller.
Fin. Secretary, Mrs. S. Holt.
Sick Visiting Committee, Mrs. L. Dawson, Miss H. Smith.
Tea Convener, Mrs. G. Silverson.

The Rev. Mr. Lang in his remarks congratulated the Guild on excellent results obtained during the past year, also on the efficient manner in which the vice-president, Mrs. E. Rice, had carried on as president.

Schedule of services for Week of Prayer

The Argenteuil Protestant Ministerial Association wishes to announce the dates of the Week of Prayer, and a change in the program.

All services will be at 8 p.m., as follows:

Tues., Jan. 9 —
Brownsburg United Church
Speaker, Rev. K. Feltham

Wed., Jan. 10 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. C. R. Lang

Thurs., Jan. 11 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. W. Bridge

Fri., Jan. 12 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. C. W. Sorley

The speaker at each of these three services will be the Rev. Dr. C. Richie Bell, Professor of Pastoral Theology at the Montreal Presbyterian Theological College.

Sat., Jan. 13 —
Maple Ave. Baptist Church
Youth Service
Preacher, Rev. Wesley Ball, Morin Heights

It is hoped that the people of Brownsburg and Lachute will co-operate in attending these services.

"Christ, Our King" Christmas cantata at Presbyt'n Church

Under the direction of Mr. Robert Haydon and Mrs. W. M. Cottingham (organist), the choir of the Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church are planning to render the Christmas cantata, "Christ, Our King", by Ernest A. Dicks, on Sunday, December 17, at the morning service (11 o'clock). Everyone interested is cordially invited to be present.

The recital includes sacred choruses by the choir, appropriate to the Christmas theme, with solo parts by Mrs. Helen Blakely (soprano) and Mr. Robert Haydon (tenor). An organ introduction is played by Mrs. W. M. Cottingham.

Program

Introduction, Mrs. W. M. Cottingham—Organ
Recit. (tenor), Robert Haydon "I am he that crieth"
Chorus (with tenor solo) Robert Haydon "Thou art Coming"
Soprano solo, Helen Blakely "Love Divine"
Chorus "Rejoice in the Lord"
Soprano solo, Helen Blakely "There were Shepherds"
Chorus "Sing, O Heavens"
Recit. (tenor) Robert Haydon "And it came to pass . . . "
Chorus "Let us go to Bethlehem"
Recit. (tenor), Robert Haydon "And they came with haste"
Chorus with tenor solo (R. Haydon) "When from the East"
Recit. (tenor), Robert Haydon "And the shepherds returned"
Chorus "Sing, Choirs of Angels"
Soprano solo, Helen Blakely "How beautiful upon the Mountains"
Chorus "Now thank we, O God"
Chorus "Praise the Lord"

CHURCH SERVICES

Anglican Church
REV. C. R. LANG, L.Th., B.D., Rector

ST. SIMEON'S, LACHUTE
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Family Service

ST. GEORGE'S, BROWNSBURG
10.30 a.m. Church School
11.00 a.m. Family Service

HOLY TRINITY, CALUMET
9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

ST. MATTHEW'S, GRENVILLE
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. ANDREWS EAST
REV. WINTER LeCRAS
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Margaret Rodger Mem'l Presbyterian Church
REV. JAMES ARMOUR, B.A.
9.50 a.m. Church School and Minister's Bible Class.
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
2.00 p.m. Brownsburg Service

Dalesville Baptist Church
REV. W. LORNE HISEY, Pastor
"Holding forth the word of Life"
10.00 a.m. Our Bible School, with classes for all ages. Adults urged to come to the adult Bible Class. Mr. K. Tomalty, teacher. Bring your Bible and all the family.
11.00 a.m. Morning Service
"WHY BE BAPTIZED"
The ordinance of believer's baptism will be observed at this service.
Thurs., 8 p.m., Prayer
Our annual Bible School Christmas program, Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m.

Brownsburg United
REV. W. B. ROSBOROUGH, B.A., B.D., Supply Minister
Mrs. C. J. Wheeler, Organist
Mr. G. K. Amos, Choir Director
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. "BEGINNINGS OF THE GOSPEL"
Baby Fold at 11 a.m.
Carol service Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7.00 p.m.

Lakefield Services
REV. CANON C. W. P. BAUGH, Rector
9.30 a.m. Louisa.
11.00 a.m. Lakefield
2.00 p.m. Shrewsbury
7.00 p.m. Dunany

Parish of Mille Isles
REV. HORACE G. BAUGH, Rector
9.30 a.m. St. Sauveur
11.00 a.m. Morin Heights
3.00 p.m. Mille Isles

People's Church, Lachute
(Associated Gospel Church)
753 Main Street, Lachute
REV. C. W. SORLEY, Pastor
9.45 a.m. Bible School
11.00 a.m. "THE WAY OF THE GENTILE"
7.30 p.m. "THE RAPTURE"
Or the way of the Christian.
Thurs., 8.00 p.m. Prayer meeting
Fri., Dec. 15, 7.30 p.m. Christmas program, presented by the children of the Sunday School.
A welcome to all!

Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Brownsburg
REV. R. L. McPHEE
9.45 a.m. Church School
11.00 a.m. "EXPECTATION AND REALIZATION"
7.00 p.m. A special service of Christmas Praise rendered by the Church Choir.
Wed., 7.30 p.m. Prayer Service
Our Christmas Concert is planned for Dec. 19, commencing at 6.30 p.m.
A welcome for all!

Lachute Baptist Church
REV. W. L. HISEY, Pastor
Set for the defence of the Gospel
9.30 a.m. Our Bible School — Classes for all ages. Come, bring your Bible; all adults are invited to the Pastor's Bible Class.
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship
"FOLLOWING THE LORD JESUS"
Wednesday, 8 p.m. — The Hour of Praise and Prayer.
Our annual Bible School Christmas program, Saturday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m.
All heartily invited.

Brownsburg Regular Baptist Church
REV. GEO. HICKS, B.Th., Pastor
10.00 a.m. Bible School
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
Thurs., 8 p.m. Prayer Service

Brownsburg Pentecostal Assembly
REV. JOHN C. SHRIER, Minister
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
7.30 p.m. Evangelistic Service
Wed. 7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.
Thurs., 8 p.m., Grenville Service

English Catholic
Mass for English - speaking Catholics on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 8 a.m. in the basement of Ste. Anastasie Parish Church. (alt)

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
"The Church With The Chimes"
— Rev. Wilson Bridge, Minister —
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m Divine Worship
White Gift Service
The children of the Sunday School will share in this service.
"THE CHALLENGE OF BETHLEHEM, 1961"
Christmas Chorale
7.45 p.m. — presented by the Argenteuil Choral Society
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Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Johnston and four children, from Bala, Ont., spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. McArthur.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Hay returned this week from an extended vacation in Florida — also visiting en route with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hay, at Ithaca, N.Y.

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Wins O.V.C. Scholarship

A scholarship banquet was held last week at the Ontario Veterinary College at Guelph, for students receiving awards. Grant Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rogers, Lachute, ranking third in the class of 80 students last April, was very happy to be one of these students.

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Good wishes are extended to Mr. Jas. W. McGibbon, who is presently under medical observation in the Ross Memorial Pavilion of the R.V.H., Montreal.

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Christening Ceremony

At a private christening service following the morning devotions at Lachute United Church last Sunday, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas T. Willmott received the names Andrew Douglas Taylor — the Rev. Wilson Bridge officiating. The parents afterwards entertained a few at luncheon, including out-of-town relatives, at their home on Main Street East.

At Shriners' Assembly

A number of district Shriners were in Toronto last week-end, to attend a supper of the Shrine Order at the Royal York Hotel and to meet a visiting official from the U.S., Charles White, Imperial Director of the Royal Order of Jesters. Those attending from this community were — Messrs. Wm. S. MacKimmie, Jack MacKimmie, Nat Boyd, Jas. MacKimmie, Cliff Cunningham and Dr. L. Middleton.

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Friends of Miss Willow Lavery, Montreal, are pleased to know that she is now recovering favorably from injuries in a recent accident. While motoring with a number of ladies to a meeting in St. Lambert, Miss Lavery suffered rib fractures and head injuries in a car crash; she has since been under medical care at the St. Lambert hospital.

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Married Recently in Toronto

The marriage of Tim Sorley, son of the Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Sorley, of Lachute, to Bonnie Baird, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Baird, of Toronto, took place at Donlands United Church, Toronto, on Saturday, Dec. 2. The Rev. Mr. Sorley performed the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. I. J. Perkins.

Mr. Robert Campbell, of Lachute, was the best man.

The young couple's wedding trip included Montreal and Lachute.

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Mr. David Ward, of London, Ont., attending McGill University, was the guest of Rodger Titman at his home last week-end.

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K. of C. Bingo Winners

Winners of prizes at the Knights of Columbus bingo held December 6, were as follows:

Mrs. R. Moore ($8); Mrs. J. Cruise ($8); Miss M. Legault ($6.25); Miss M. Seary, Brownsburg ($6.25); Mrs. C. Seguin ($8); Mrs. E. Tessier ($4); K. Sunderland, St. Philippe ($4);

Miss M. Gibeault ($8); Mrs. Lacombe ($8); Mrs. Beauchamp ($6); Mrs. B. Roy, Carillon ($6); Mrs. G. Pagé ($8); R. Dickson ($8); F. Cousineau ($12.50);

Mrs. A. Boyer ($4); C. Doucet ($4); Mrs. E. Hamel ($8); Mrs. R. Legault ($15); Mrs. D. Audette ($15).

Miss Alma Riddell, of Montreal, spent the week-end here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Elder.

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Mrs. Robt. Giles, Jr., and infant daughter, left by plane Monday to spend the festive season with her parents in Halifax; she will be joined by her husband for the Christmas holiday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Ouellet and two young sons, of Shawinigan, spent a few days here visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Léopold Carrière.

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Mrs. Muriel Brown, of Montreal — who has just returned from a vacation trip to Jamaica and Bermuda — spent the week-end here as the guest of Mrs. Kay Pillage.

Christmas recital by Arg. Choral Society Sunday evening

The Argenteuil Choral Society is presenting its first Christmas program on Sunday evening next at Lachute United Church. This 52-voice choir is under the direction of Lowell B. Hopkins, and the program will start at 7.45 p.m. Organ music will be introductory, and the choral renditions will commence at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to anyone wishing to attend.

Those present will have the opportunity of joining in the singing of some of the old Christmas carols, and the choir will render carols from many lands. The director and organist, Mr. Lowell B. Hopkins, has selected appropriate Christmas music, including the Overture and Pastorale from Handel's "Messiah", "In Dulci Jublio" by Bonnte, "Noel d'Aquil" and "Swiss Noel". The following carols will be sung by the choir:

"While by our sleeping flocks we lay" (German 17th century);
"Waking-Time" (French);
"Carol of the Bells, (Ukrainian);
"Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming" (15th century German);
"To us is born Immanuel" (Praetorius);
"Ding-dong Merrily" (French);
"The Echo Carol" (French);
"Unto us a boy is born" (15th century English);
"Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel's Messiah).



Wed at Maple Ave. Church

Miss Grace McCullough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert McCullough, Brownsburg, and Earl Chamberlain, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chamberlain, of Detroit, Mich., who were married at the Maple Avenue Baptist Church in Brownsburg, the Rev. R. L. McPhee officiating. The ceremony took place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 2. — Photo Eddy, Hawkesbury

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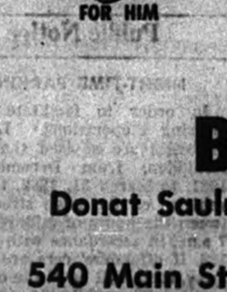
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Tel. MElrose 2-6770
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LO 2-5511 or LO 2-4019

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Duplex dwelling, lower Maple Street.
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Winterized cottage with 2 acres of land.

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Whether Buying or Selling Properties of Any Description in This County — Consult:

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Miscellaneous

MAGAZINES FOR CHRISTMAS— the year-round gift. — Phone Ann Gorman, LO 2-2229, or write 110 Cottingham Blvd., Lachute. xx

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D20.2c

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Deadline, TUESDAY noon.
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REGIONAL DANCE

— Organized by "Club 90", to be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Lachute, Thursday, Dec. 28. Music by the Vibratones. — Admission 75c, tickets on sale by Steve Griffiths. 1c

DATES TO REMEMBER

The Ladies' Guild of St. George's Anglican Church, Brownsburg, have planned the following events for 1962:
April 6 — Bake Sale
June 1 — Rummage Sale
Nov. 3 — Christmas Bazaar
1c

DANCE, AVOCA

A dance will be held in the Community Hall, Avoca, on Saturday, Dec. 16. Dancing from 8 to 12. Music by Mr. and Mrs. Mac MacTavish. Adm. 50c. 1p

CHRISTMAS CHORALE

— By Argenteuil Choral Society, in Lachute United Church on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 7.45 p.m. All welcome. (Collection.) D13.3c

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STONE HOUSE BUILT IN 1834
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Thirty-eight miles from Montreal, four miles from Lachute, on well maintained road, all the original charm in this house of six rooms with new wiring, plumbing, oil burning furnace. Living and dining rooms, each with fireplace, large kitchen, three bedrooms. — Please contact Mrs. R. J. Cassidy, Lachute (LO 2-6510).

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Winterized white clapboard cottage of four rooms, living room, two bedrooms, most attractive kitchen, modern powder room, oil burning furnace. On a large lot just seven miles from Lachute, road well maintained. Furnished, modern refrigerator and gas stove. Skiing, golf. $6,500. — Contact Mrs. R. J. Cassidy, Lachute (LO 2-6510).

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Victor 2-1104.

Public Notice

C & L Garage Limited, of 292 Bethany Road, Lachute, Que., wish to advise customers and the public that, as of December 1, 1961, they are operating under a new name — "Noble Motors Limited". D13.2c

Public Notice

NIGHT-TIME PARKING

In order to facilitate snow-clearing operations, Lachute motorists are advised that it is forbidden, from December 1, 1961, to March 31, 1962, to park vehicles on the town streets between the hours of midnight and 7 a.m., in accordance with By-law 182. If offenders' cars are towed away, same will be at the owners' expense. The public are requested to co-operate with the police service in this matter.

— J.-L. Hebert, Police Chief, Town of Lachute

DANCE, GRENVILLE

Snowflake Serenade and gala Christmas Dance, to be held in Grenville High School on Thursday, Dec. 21, 8 p.m. to 12 midnight. Music by the "B" Boys. Come and bring your friends. Admission $1 per person. 1c

Public Notice

Canada
Province of Quebec
District of Terrebonne
No. 34005
Superior Court

DONAT BOILARD, operator, residing at No. 33 Chatham Street, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, André Boilard — plaintiff

— vs —

ERIC BROWN, residing at No. 227 Bethany Road, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within a month.
Saint Jerome, this 5th day of December, 1961.
— Stein & Cadieux, Prothonotary S.C.T.
D13.2c

Public Notice

Canada
Province of Quebec
District of Terrebonne
No. 34006
Superior Court

JEAN BAPTISTE LAROCQUE, operator, residing at No. 19, Charles Street, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, Richard — plaintiff

— vs —

ERIC BROWN, residing at No. 227 Bethany Road, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within a month.
Saint Jerome, this 5th day of December, 1961.
— Stein & Cadieux, Prothonotary S.C.T.
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Public Notice

Canada
Province of Quebec
District of Terrebonne
No. 34007
Superior Court

GUILLAUME LAROSE, operator, residing at No. 259, Gilbert Street, Ayersville, District of Terrebonne, in person and es-qualité as guardian of his son, Robert — plaintiff

— vs —

ERIC BROWN, residing at No. 227 Bethany Road, Lachute, District of Terrebonne, defendant.

Defendant is ordered to appear within a month.
Saint Jerome, this 5th day of December, 1961.
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PUPPIES — Beagle-type puppies for sale, from registered mother, $5 each. — Phone LE 3-4178. 1c

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Assorted fare for deliberation of city fathers

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of the Social Service, was heard and given due consideration.

Bills for the month of November, amounting to $41,717.35, were approved for payment.

Leo Morrissette entered his request to rent the town property immediately east of the fire station. The request was turned over to Ald. Thibodeau, but Alderman Urbain and Laurin were of the opinion that the entire space should be reserved for free parking.

Ald. Laureat Laurin gave notice that at next meeting he will present a measure for amendment or revision of the business tax by-law.

Tenders

A bid was accepted from Geo. Y. Deacon Ltd. for installation of a new heating system in the municipal garage, fire station and upstairs dwelling. The system will comprise four heating units, at $2,150, and an oil tank, $129.

A tender from the same firm was accepted for the purchase of 100 feet of chain, at $105, and for a steel chain-block, at $69.50.

An offer from Florian Foucault, of St. Jerome, of $700 for purchase of the police vehicle, was also given approval. Tenders on the vehicle had been formally invited.

The meeting was adjourned until December 18, at 7.30 p.m., for study of the budget for next year's operations.

CROSSWALK IDEA

Fort William, Ont. — Alderman Hubert Limbrick has suggested that crosswalk areas at busy intersections here be painted solid white, rather than only having white border lines. He said the white background would make pedestrians more clearly visible at night.

Daily Timetable

EFFECTIVE SUNDAY, OCT. 29

(Eastern STANDARD Time)

LACHUTE

Westbound to Ottawa

Daily	11.05 a.m.
Daily	7.00 p.m.
Saturday	2.10 p.m.

Eastbound to Montreal

Daily	9.46 a.m.
Daily	7.28 p.m.
Saturday	3.05 p.m.

Canadian Pacific

CINEMA LACHUTE THEATRE
Main Street, Lachute
(LO 2-5662)

Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat., Dec. 13-14-15-16 —
Susan Hayward, James Mason —
Marriage-Go-Round
— CinemaScope, in Color
Stuart Whitman, May Britt —
Murder Inc.
— CinemaScope
Sat. Matinee for Children
INN OF THE SIXTH HAPPINESS

Sun., Mon., Tues., Dec. 17-18-19 —
Steeve Reeves, Gina M. Canale —
LES TRAVAUX D'HERCULE
— CinemaScope, in Color
Melina Mercouri, Georges Foundras
STELLA, FEMME LIBRE
Jimmy Darren, Debra Walley
Gidget Goes Hawaiian
— CinemaScope

Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat., Dec. 20-21-22-23 —
Yves Montand, Lee Remick —
Sanctuary
— CinemaScope
David Jansen, Patti Page —
Dondi
Sat., Matinee for Children
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Notice is given that:
The principal stores of Lachute
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OPEN EVENINGS
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LACHUTE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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The Lachute Watchman

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EDITORIAL NOTES...

"In this Parliament are three Estates, the Lords Spiritual, the Lords Temporal and the Commons, but in the Reporters' Gallery yonder sits a Fourth Estate more important far than all."
— Edmund Burke

Again – those elementary precautions

CHRISTMAS TREES, a symbol of gaiety and happiness, too often become a mass of flames and a symbol of disaster.

Trees, decorations, and special Christmas costumes, should all be chosen with extra care and protected from fire. These recommendations are offered again, for safety in the home during the Christmas season:

(1) Choose a small Christmas tree; it will be less hazardous than a larger one.

(2) Keep the base of the tree in a container of water; the water will be absorbed and keep the tree moist.

(3) Keep trees away from stoves, heaters and fireplaces.

(4) Use good quality electric lights on the tree — positively not candles.

(5) Check your lights for any defects which might cause short circuits.

(6) Be sure that Christmas lights do not overload the electrical circuits in your home.

(7) Keep papers, gifts and other inflammable articles away from the base of the tree until Christmas eve.

(8) Do not use paper, gauze-like materials or other highly inflammable fabrics for children's costumes.

(9) Check carefully for burning cigarette butts after every party or gathering in your home.

(10) Always turn out electric tree lights when room is unoccupied.

Humanitarian prisoners

IN A ROUNDABOUT way, Canadians with unwanted paper-back pocket books may, for the price of shipping them to Montreal, participate in a heart-warming effort being made by penitentiary inmates to help two underprivileged children overseas. Here's the story:

Last May the inmates of St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary began raising, among themselves, $15 monthly to financially "adopt" a 10-year-old Chinese refugee boy now living in Hong Kong, through Foster Parents' Plan. They have become so enthusiastic that they have now set up a special fund for contribution to a "college education fund" for this boy. Not content with this excellent start, they have also committed themselves, along with inmates of the nearby Leclerc Institution and Laval Federal Training Centre, to the financial "adoption" of a little Greek girl, through the Plan.

Money does not come easily to penitentiary inmates. Most of these contributions result from the sale of handicraft work. But reading material does not come easily either. And so, to encourage contributions of one dollar, the inmate editor of the prison magazine, who started the whole idea, began to offer fellow cell-mates two used pocket books as an added incentive.

The scheme has worked well, but the supply of paper-backs is limited. The editor has now appealed to the Montreal Office of Foster Parents' Plan to see if more books could be rounded up. If you have a few pocket books you no longer need, and you wish to have them reach these inmates, please send them to: Foster Parents' Plan, 1500 Stanley Street, Montreal 25. (Please do not send them direct to the penitentiary.) Your help will be appreciated.

Whither adult education?

RECOMMENDATION for the formation of a national adult education policy was placed by a Vancouver study group before the first national conference on adult education, in Ottawa just recently.

More than 250 delegates representing some 60 national organizations were attending the meeting, sponsored by the Canadian Association for Adult Education and the Institut d'Education des Adultes.

The Vancouver statement prepared for the conference said complex gaps and entanglements in society are preventing the development of a genuine national policy that takes adult education seriously.

"We are arguing for a national policy participated in by all of us," the statement said. "We must have a system in which the state participates in, stimulates, and supports the learning capacity of its citizens without controlling it in detail. The government needs to have this pointed out by adult educators."

Viewpoints and perspectives

THOSE OVERHEAD WIRES — Will Canada ever stop strangling its buildings with ugly overhead electrical and telephone wires? Jack Schreiner reports in The Financial Post that utilities are technically able, and willing, to bury the lines provided the customers will accept the price tag. Underground systems cost two to ten times more than overhead lines. Cost may be higher in some cases.

In a new subdivision the added beauty of a landscape uncluttered by hanging wires can be had for about $1 a month more on mortgage payments.

The trend across Canada is for burial of lines in new subdivisions. But prospects are dim for burial of lines in most older residential and business areas. Long distance transmission lines will also remain above ground.

CREATING JOBS. — Any action on the part of government to create jobs by undue expenditures for public works can only be tolerated in the temporary relief of serious unemployment conditions. Such action creates an artificial economic situation bringing on a degree of inflation which may well finally undo any good that may have been initially accomplished.

— Estevan (Sask.) Mercury

VOTERS DON'T CARE. — A phenomenom of these times is that politicians, municipal, provincial and federal, are learning that extravagance in public office is no threat to continuance in office. The voters are believed to want everything and don't seem to care about the resulting taxes.

— Kimberley (B.C.) News

THE WELFARE STATE. — If many politicians throughout the country are concerned with making "sissies" out of the people, they are going about it the right way. There is no better method of making people irresponsible than to relieve them of obligations that are rightfully theirs to shoulder. This can be the only assured end of continuing measures that lead more and more to a complete welfare state.

—Melita (Man.) New Era

SEAT BELTS. — The shock-absorbing value of a seat belt in an automobile accident can be compared to that of a trampoline when a body drops on it. It spreads the shock around instead of letting it concentrate on one part of the body. Properly installed, a seat belt can spread up to 5,000 pounds of force evenly over a large area of the body. The shock is absorbed gradually. Similar to the action on a falling body of a trampoline or a fireman's net.

— Highway Safety News

IN ITS CURRENT campaign to promote the use of seat belts in Canada, the Canadian Highway Safety Council has cautioned that seat belts cannot prevent accidents. They are not "cure-alls", nor are they the answer to the perils of the highway. Ira G. Needles, CHSC's general chairman, said, "We do know that seat belts, if used extensively, will prevent one-third of Canada's traffic fatalities and greatly reduce the severity of injuries. However, it still remains the free-will prerogative of the motorist to prevent an accident — or cause one."

"Wear seat belts," the Council advises, "and they could save your life in an accident. But don't expect them to prevent the accident. Only you can do that!"



"THE EICHMANN VERDICT"

Of Many Things

— By Ambrose Hills —

COMPASSIONATE UNDERSTANDING

I'm an old cynic, leery of do-gooders, inclined to go along with the Philosopher Emerson, who said that the worst of charity is that the lives you are asked to preserve are not worth preserving. . . . But there is a work going on in Manitoba which I believe merits financial support.

This work is being done at The Harbour Light Centre in Winnipeg's skid row, for the rehabilitation of alcoholics. It is run by the Salvation Army with most of the counselling done by men who were themselves afflicted with alcoholism but found a way out.

There the alcoholic who wants to find a new life is given compassionate understanding, physical and mental health treatment, and finally — and most effectively — spiritual help.

I talked to the little doctor who goes there to work for free, a dedicated man who is no doubt neglecting his own practice to do this service, but is getting rewards of another kind — a deep sense of spiritual satisfaction few persons ever experience. His face lights up when he tells you about drunks who get well again. They are, he says, almost invariably above-average persons who have somehow taken the wrong path. He helps them, physically; the Army attempts to give them a spiritual re-birth.

"What would you like said about this?" I asked the doctor. He is an idealist, but a tough, practical citizen at the same time. His answer was, "Say the all-important thing — it works! Many of these alcoholics are re-born, they live useful lives, they bring joy and happiness to persons and places where they once brought fear and misery. And you'd better add," he continued, "that we need money."

Okay, Doc, this is the plug. I never thought I'd use up space for plugging a charity, because I firmly believe there is too much wasted giving, too much government spending along these lines, which does little good, and sometimes harm. The best charity is the individual kind, where one gives a bit of himself along with his money to someone he knows merits help. But you sold me on this deal, doctor! I saw ex-drunks looking like new men, with a glow about them that couldn't be found without a spiritual experience. I saw men whose hands were still shaky, but whose eyes were steady and full of hope. These are men who are no longer whining that society owes them a living; they are re-born men who know they owe a great deal to society.

I think too much money might spoil this work, lead to empire-building rather than soul-building. But there's not much danger of too much being heaped upon them. Any person who sends some money to The Harbour Light Centre, 221 Rupert Avenue, Winnipeg, can be sure that it won't be wasted on bureaucratic administration or ballyhoo, but will really help men who are worthy of help.

SECOND LOOK ESSENTIAL ON FARM – CITY GIRL FINDS

Tom, the village philosopher, says the best education doesn't come from books and blackboards and such, but from taking a second look at things. That's the one that counts, he figures, and a second glance can often save you from making a fool of yourself.

To illustrate his point, Tom tells the story of his niece, Dolly, who visited from the city a couple of weeks ago.

"I took her around to see my brother Ed — the one who runs a farm. 'Oh, what a strange looking cow,' says Dolly, 'Why hasn't she any horns?' So Ed says, 'Well, some cows is born without horns and never had any, and others shed theirs, and some we de-horn, and some breeds ain't supposed to have any horns at all. There's all kinds of reasons why some cows ain't got horns, but the reason this one ain't is because she ain't a cow. She's a horse!' "

Which leads us to wonder if a second look isn't called for in personal planning sometimes. If you find your money slips through your fingers, consider regular saving with a Bank of Montreal savings account. Deposit so much of each pay-cheque into a B of M savings account. In that way you make sure of getting your share of your own income.

Paul Boivin, accountant of the Lachute branch, or Miss Lulu Miller at the Ayersville branch of the B of M, will be happy to tell you how easy it is — and how profitable.

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ANSWERED BY THE RESEARCH SERVICE OF THE BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

I WONDER . . . Curiosity is a priceless gift. A youngster's daily questions indicate a bright, inquiring mind. They should be answered intelligently. In this column each week the editors of this newspaper, in cooperation with The Book of Knowledge, will print those questions — and the answers — most frequently asked by children of their parents.

How can a Bear Sleep through Winter without Eating?

A bear becomes very fat during the late Autumn as cold weather approaches. When winter's snow arrives, he seeks out a den which may be an opening among rocks, or a hole in a hillside, or a protected place under the roots of a fallen tree. In his cozy den the bear goes into winter's sleep, called hibernation. His breathing and circulation slow down until he scarcely breathes or moves. In this condition he requires little food. What nourishment his body does need is obtained from food stored around his body, under the skin, in the form of fat. Here in the den the bear stays until Spring when he emerges lean and hungry.

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Readers are invited to send their own questions to WONDER Questions. The more interesting questions and answers will be published in a future column. — Write: Grolier Society Research Service, 800 Bay St., Suite 104, Toronto 5, Ont.

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ALL ABOARD

With G. E. Mortimore

The best way to dent a politician's skull is with a club — the kind of club that has 1,000,000 members.

The bigger and tougher the club is, the bigger dent it will make.

A politician handles the average big organization as gently as a box of bees. He knows that if he makes a wrong move, thousands of voters will spill out and sting him to death.

This is the way for an ordinary citizen to make his wishes felt in Parliament — and perhaps change the course of world events: Join something, think, talk and vote.

Non-joiners may sneer at this suggestion. I am a chronic non-joiner myself. But the joiners can rule the country, if they try.

The Consumers' Association of Canada (1245 Wellington Street, Ottawa 3) is a relatively small organization, but its members have stung the government to action on several important matters.

The CAC pressed the government to outlaw that red-striped wrapping paper (remember?) which made fat bacon look as if it had lean meat on it.

The same group has begun to show results in having children's clothing sorted out in understandable sizes and getting clothing labelled according to whether it will shrink, melt or go up in flames.

Leagues of farmers, veterans, women and peacemakers have all influenced government policy.

Some organizations command less respect than others. If most of the members are fast asleep, the organization can be tossed around like a medicine ball.

But the live organizations are the ones that the politicians fear and speak about in hushed tones. They can hear the live voters buzzing and scratching inside.

Things 'n Stuff

By Walter Henry Jackson

WHEN I WAS YOUNG I LAUGHED AT THESE.

A young man at a dance introduced himself to a lady who seemed to lack a partner, and asked her for a dance. While thus engaged he said to her: "Did you notice that fellow near the door talking to the ticket-taker? I never saw such a repulsive face in my life. He must be the ugliest man in the world."

"Why, that's my brother." she replied.

"Oh, I'm sorry!" he apologized. "I hadn't noticed the resemblance."

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An old lady in Florida inherited a farm which lay right on the border of Vermont and Quebec. She decided to give up her Florida home and live her remaining years on the farm. But first she hired a surveyor to make a report on how the land lay.

"About half the farm is in Canada," ran the report. "The barn and stables are in Canada. But the house itself is in Vermont."

"What a relief!" said the old lady. "I have always heard that the winters in Canada are very severe!"

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A botanical scientist crossed an eggplant with an ambush so he could grow his own 'Am and Eggs. But this experiment was not a success, so he next crossed a cauliflower with a watermelon. Then he got melancholy.

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A friend of mine spent his vacation at a summer resort on the ocean during the off-season, in October. The place was deserted. No other guests, and it rained for two weeks. All he got was rheum and bored.

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"I like your new house," said the suburbanite's guest. "I notice the letter-slot in the front door, but why have you got a round hole bored undeneath it?"

"Oh, that!" replied the owner. "That's for circular letters!"

Be seein 'ya!

— Uncle Walt

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DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Harrington

Mrs. Herbert Bennett and Mrs. L. Carriere spent last Thursday in Montreal.

Mrs. Percy MacLeod, of Calumet, spent a few days calling on friends here this past week.

Mrs. D. Angus, of Ottawa, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bates, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Formagie, of Montreal, spent a few days with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor McVicar.

St. Andrews East

Mr. Hugh Robertson, of Vancouver, B.C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Robertson. Others home for the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robertson and little daughter, Karen, of Chateauguay, Que., and Miss Enid Robertson, of Montreal.

Christmas Tree Event

The annual Christmas Tree of the Anglican, Presbyterian and United Churches will be held in the United Church hall on Friday, December 15, at 7.30 p.m.

Miss Rosemary Gagnon, R.N., of Montreal, spent the week-end with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rodger.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. McLaughlin spent the week-end at their home here.

Mr. Harry Webb spent two weeks at Windsor, Ont., with his brother.

Avoca

Mrs. Wm. H. Kelly and daughters, of Aylmer, Que., visited her father, who had to return to hospital; they also visited her mother here over the week-end.

Mrs. Edward C. Young and sister, Mrs. Samson Arthurs, visited their brother, Mr. Horace Bates, and sister, Mrs. Jos. Arthurs, for a few days last week.

Mrs. Gilbert Bedard, of Ottawa, returned home with her parents for a short visit; her husband is presently in hospital.

Church Notes

On Sunday, December 17, at 11 o'clock in the Avoca Baptist Church, the Sunday Schools of the Avoca and Rivington churches will present a program entitled "Christmas Pathways".

On Sunday, December 24, there will be a joint service of the Avoca and Rivington congregations at 11 a.m., in the Rivington Baptist Church, featuring music by the Avoca choir. There will be no Sunday School in the Avoca Baptist Church on these two Sundays.

Morin Heights

(Intended for last issue)

Mrs. G. Watchorn returned home after her stay in the Montreal General Hospital, and is recuperating satisfactorily.

Families Bereaved

Sympathy of this community is extended to the family of the late Mrs. Wm. McAllister (formerly Charlotte Mallette), of the Town of Mount Royal and Mille Isles, who died in hospital in Montreal,

Sympathy is also extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alton Riddell whose infant son, Mark, died suddenly Monday evening, December 4.

Funeral of Infant

The funeral service for Brent Stanford, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Riddell (formerly Marilyn Dey), took place in the Morin Heights United Church, the Rev. Wesley Ball officiating. Burial was in the Hillside Cemetery.

Cushing

Mr. Kenneth Weir, of Baie D'Urfé, visited his sister, Mrs. A. Taylor, recently. His son, John, and Miss K. Baker, were guests of Mrs. Taylor on Sunday, December 3.

Attended Authors' Dinner

Mrs. A. Graham returned Tuesday from a visit of several days in Montreal, and was the guest of her daughter, Miss E. M. Graham, at Verdun. While in town Mrs. Graham attended the Christmas dinner meeting of the Montreal Branch of Canadian Authors, held in the Ritz Carlton on Monday evening. Later the authors heard an interesting address from Walter O'Hearn, of The Montreal Star.

Before the address the president, the Rev. F. Wilkes, paid tribute to the late Leslie Gordon Barnard, well known writer of fiction and articles, also the author of a number of books. Cushing had the honor of having Mr. Barnard, before his marriage, spend a summer vacation here, staying at the home of the late Mrs. Robt. Pinkerton. The Rev. Mr. Wilkes also paid tribute to the late Dr. Lorne Pierce, who had also passed recently at his home in Toronto.

Women's Institute

An interesting Christmas meeting of Frontier W.I. was held on Tuesday night of last week, at the home of Mrs. W. Bailey in Cushing. An item on the social part of the program was a piano solo by the young daughter of the house, Miss Cama Bailey. Mrs. A. Graham read items regarding Christmas legends in several lands.

Winners of the contest of "The Bells" were Mrs. D. Swail and Mrs. A. Plummer. In the contest of unravelling the Christmas stocking, the winners were Mrs. H. V. Elliott and Mrs. N. Morrison; three ladies had tied for second place, and Mrs. Morrison won.

The roll-call for next meeting will be, "An interesting item from Macdonald College Journal" – the meeting to be held in the Orange Hall, Lachute, on January 2.

White Gift Service

During next Sunday morning's service in St. Mungo's Church, the children will hold a "White Gift Service", carrying out the program themselves, under the supervision of their teachers. The gifts brought by the children will be sent on to children less fortunate than themselves.

Mrs. A. Graham visited her sister, Miss J. M. Pollock, in Lachute last Thursday, also attended the Presbyterian W.M.S. held that afternoon at the home of the Rev. Jas. Armour.



Argenteuil Outdoors

A column for the sportsman

— By BOB ATCHISON —

With all the shooting over in the most popular fields, the average shooter has put up his guns and started to dream of what will happen next season. . . . Too bad that more don't go in for the rabbits. As far as a lot of shooters are concerned, this is one sport they would not touch. Reason? Too easy, and so on. This may be true in some cases, but this also can apply to deer shooting. Most of the time spent will be "surprise" shooting. Walking through the bush expecting something to happen, and when it does, it is always unexpected. On top of all this the eating is terrific. Right now they are very well fed, and in excellent shape. They are plentiful also, and this makes for a wonderful time in the bush.

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The latest gadget on the market for us poor fishermen is the wackiest I have ever heard of. A motor-powered lure. (Yep, that's right, you're reading correctly.) Run on small flashlight batteries, it is supposed to have a powered life of four hours. I don't think this lure will ever be topped; I suppose some of them will be sold; though. I was surprised at some of the stores in Montreal; taking in the Wildlife Conference gave me a chance to look around. Some of the displays were very eye-catching, and from the numbers who were looking at them then, I would assume that most fishermen have not put their dreams away for the winter! It seems some of the manufacturers have held up new equipment for the gift rush; and for the person not knowing just what to get the "super" one, this sure hits the spot.

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Bird food can now be put out with the knowledge you will have visitors immediately. There seem to be a lot of the White-Crowned sparrows around, along with the usual jays and the ever increasing numbers of chickadees. Most common of the chicks is the Black Cap, along with a few Nuthatch. As usual though, the jays are kicking up a racket all over, and before too long all that will be heard is their raucous shrieks.

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Lynx are showing up all over the County, and some have even been sighted along the Dunany Road, right near habitation. As soon as the snow is heavy enough, then their tracks will be seen all around. You know it would be well worth the time for anyone to go into the bush and see just what kind of a story has been enacted with all these different kinds of animals. . . . Trying to guess what happened to a rabbit that has suddenly been lifted right off the ground. The odd spot of blood and the brushing of the snow by big wings, is all you have to go on. What kind of bird — when — how and so on, is never answered; but you can imagine a lot.

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The usual lack of information on the changing of our hunting laws and the handling of firearms, is still apparent. You read Sunnyacres recently, and the information that had been handed out by the powers-that-be. You know, when you stop and think of governments in power, telling others that they are going to do this and that, then doing exactly the same as the previous parties they are beefing about — it makes you wonder.

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Years ago it was possible to go into any sporting store and get the type of snowshoes you wanted; not so today. This has made it exceedingly hard for anyone taking up this sport. There are a few tips on buying shoes that may help you some time or other. . . .

A shoe should be a shade heavy in the butt to allow the tip to clear the snow properly. Most of them made today are flat, and do not do this. They should have a tip up at the front, that is raised up a little to allow greater freedom in walking. The proper way to judge a shoe is to take your weight and then use this method: For a 100-lb. person a shoe width of 11 inches and a length of 40 inches will be O.K.; 150 lbs. or so, a 12-inch width by 46-inch length will be suitable. The heavier you are the wider the shoe, and of course, the longer it will also be.

As to the type you should get, this is up to your own personal use. For instance, the Bear Paw is for close-in work in the bush; not so easily handled as the others, but it certainly can't be beaten for the purpose it is meant for. The Pickerel is longer, with a trailing end, and excellent for just about everything. Even bush work will not be too difficult with it. A very good all-around shoe. The Modified Bear Paw is good for bush and open; with a small tail on the end, it does have a purpose in the field. The Algonquin shoe is narrow and long, much longer than the usual types. With a width rarely exceeding 10 inches, it was designed for one purpose only — flat, open country. Very easy to use once you get the hang of them, but not much in demand today. Most commercial shoes today are of the flat, racquet type, and these are not too much good in any kind of snow. Trying to cover any distance with this type is not my idea of either sport or pleasure.

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Bindings are very important and there is just as much trouble getting a good set as there is with skiis. Up to this year I have used the lampwick type. This has drawbacks to it; however, I think I have found one that will suit me from now on. I first saw it used in Labrador this past year by the Montanaise Indians. Patterned on a low overshoe but made of leather, it even was simple to make. Use a rubber for a pattern, and you won't go wrong. Cut the toe of this rubber out, making it a shade longer than usual, then lace the back of the leather, making it a shade shorter. There are no bindings to go around the foot or leg, only the laces holding the binding to the shoe are necessary. Easily kicked off, and no buckles or knots to loosen. I thought at the time how easily they could be removed if you did go through ice on a lake or river. Certainly this binding seemed to be the one most used by these Indians, and they must have a reason for it.

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Down in Montreal this past week, I managed to get in to the Wildlife Conference for awhile. Some excellent briefs were presented and should bring some good to our outdoors. Talking to one of the government officials, he stated that poaching was just about curbed in Quebec. Sure doesn't seem as though he had been around the province much! Everyone knows poaching has increased greatly during the past couple of years. After all, the fines levied are a laughing matter with the poacher. Venison of all kinds can be bought almost anywhere, and no wonder. It certainly pays a poacher to sell any game, knowing that the price he charges will more than make up for any fine.

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This same official commented on the gun laws, etc. This was really a laugh as far as I was concerned, and I said so. It is not the laws that are to blame, says he; it's the people! This is the most stupid comment I have heard in a long time. To receive any permit or license from the government, you have to show suitability to have them, with the exception of guns. Anyone can get them without any form of control, with the results we have been seeing in this County and all over the province this past couple of years. Two years ago, an assurance was given that game and gun laws were going to be changed wherever necessary, and that the authorities would have this under control within the year. Two years have passed, with no legislation forthcoming, so just where does that leave us? It seems the governments are more concerned with the license fee than a human life. It sure looks that way to most people.

Kitchen calamity – district report

(Our District Correspondent)

Rivington — When Mrs. Clarence Bennett made a pot of pea-soup the other day, she didn't think it was going to involve so much labor! Popping the ingredients into her pressure-cooker, she placed it on the stove and went upstairs. Minutes later, the lid blew off with a tremendous "swoosh" and the pea-soup flew to the four corners of the room, plastering walls, ceiling, furniture and curtains. . . . As if that was not enough, the flying lid knocked down the stove-pipes and the swirling soot stuck to the pea-soup. . . . The result was a sorry mess to clean up!

WITH SAMPLES

Waitress: We have everything on the menu today, sir.

Customer: So I see. How about a clean one?

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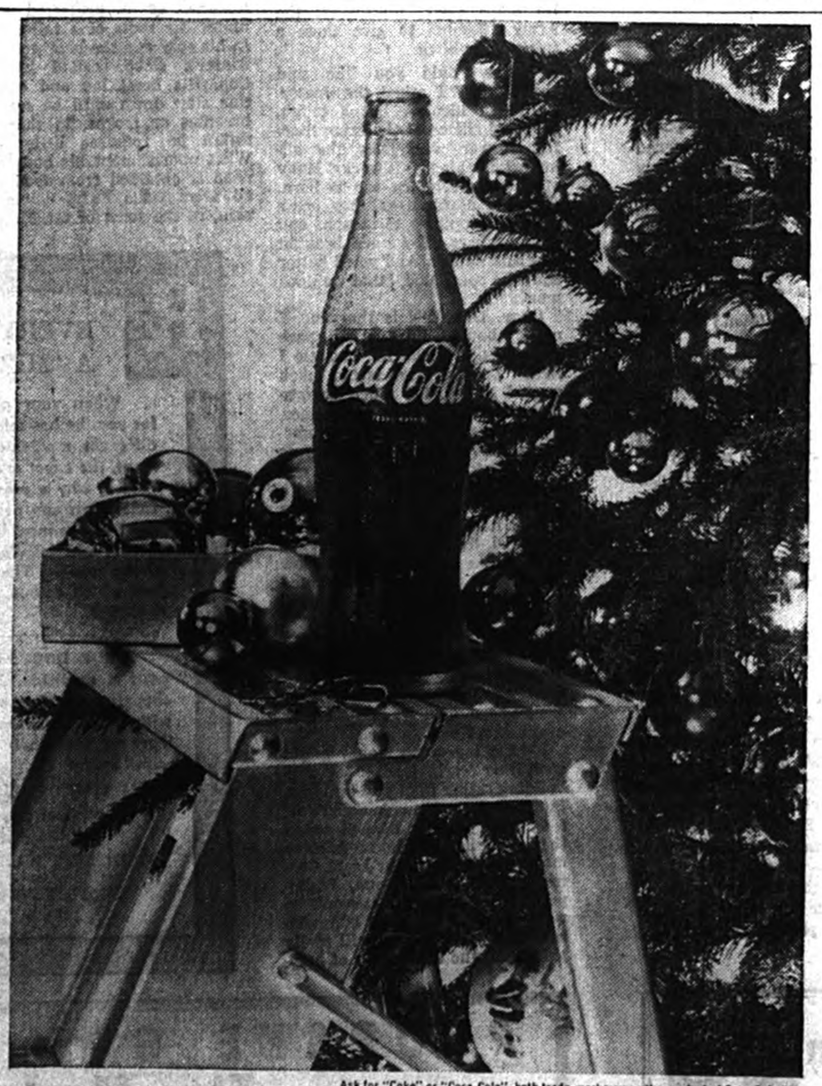
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Ice and Snow Magic

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— By NANCY CLEAVER —

"Come quick, Mother! See the sunshine on the trees all covered with ice. They shine like magic!"

Winter magic may be very hard on trees but the beauty of the glistening branches is a sight to remember. In our homes we are very dependent upon electricity. Stoves, refrigerators, telephones are among our most used pieces of equipment, and severe ice storms may disrupt these services. But to a little child ice and snow are things of wonder.

The patterns Jack Frost makes upon the windows on cold days delight him. They never show identical designs. Sometimes a child will want to melt little patches of the pane with the heat of his finger tips. Beautiful "ice flowers" are sometimes seen in the new clear ice before it becomes opaque or covered with snow.

If a child is interested in snow crystals, do have a board (preferably velvet) ready to catch flakes on its surface during the next snowfall. Many of the flakes are beautiful in their lacy design. A magnifying glass shows the outline more distinctly. The amazing loveliness of snow crystals has been copied by designers of wall paper, of cloth, of jewellery and of fancy-work too.

The little child has endless questions to ask about any natural phenomenon which fascinates him. "What is ice made of?" "Why does snow fall down to the ground?" "Why are the snowflakes white?" "Why is ice clear?" "Does God ever make a Giant Snowman?" The older boy or girl can be encouraged to look up simple snow facts such as the following:

Snow falls to the ground, although the flakes are each so light, by a "pull" which is called gravitation. This force tends to draw anything in the air around our globe downward to the surface of the earth.

Snow flakes are different sizes. The largest ones are seen on mild days when the thermometer is just below the freezing mark (at 32 degrees). The small flakes fall when it very cold. The different patterns for snow flakes are six-sided. In one snow storm, the flakes are usually all the same design.

Snow is white because the combination of the different colors of a prism produce the white shade. Snow may fill the roads and have to be cleaned away. It is fun to watch the snow clearing equipment at work! Snow is valuable to the farmer. He knows that the snow blanket, covering his fields, conserves necessary moisture and protects roots from the frost.

A school age child may want to express his wonder at snow and his joy in play out of doors in drawing and painting, prose or verse. Most children love poetry and you might encourage your child to make a Poetry Scrap Book. Do include in it, if you can, Elinor Wylie's "Velvet Shoes" from "Silver Pennies," a child's poetry anthology. It concludes with these lines:

"We shall walk in velvet shoes;
Wherever we go
Silence will fall like dew
On White Silence below.
We shall walk in the snow."

Raisins rise in favor

Raisins are one of mankind's oldest foods, known to have been enjoyed by the Persians and Egyptians at least 2,000 years before Christ was born. As everyone knows, raisins are dried grapes. Dark raisins are dried in the sun or "suntanned". Their golden brothers are dried away from the sun in such a way that the grape's color is retained.

Light, seedless Sultanas are used in this recipe for Sultana Bread. Most people serve raisin bread as toast for breakfast, or spread with butter or margarine at tea time. But this delicious bread can also be considered as an accompaniment to fruit salad for luncheon, or with a dinner of cold cuts, seafood or fried chicken. Cream cheese sandwiches made from raisin bread will find great favor with the school lunch box set.

Sultana Bread

Yield — 2 loaves

2 Cups bleached or Sultana-type raisins, 1¼ cups milk, ¼ cup granulated sugar, 2½ teaspoons salt, ¼ cup shortening, ½ cup lukewarm water, 1 teaspoon granulated sugar, 1 envelope active dry yeast, 2 well-beaten eggs, 5½ cups (about) pre-sifted all purpose flour.

Cover raisins with warm water and let stand until needed. Scald milk; stir in the ¼ cup sugar, salt and shortening. Cool to lukewarm.

Meantime, measure lukewarm water into a large bowl; stir in the 1 teaspoon sugar. Sprinkle with yeast. Let stand 10 minutes, then stir well. Stir in lukewarm milk mixture, well-beaten eggs and 2½ cups of the flour. Beat until smooth and elastic. Drain raisins thoroughly and mix into batter. Work in sufficient additional flour to make a soft dough — about 3 cups more. Turn out dough onto floured board or canvas and knead until smooth and elastic. Place in greased bowl. Grease top. Cover. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk — about 1¼ hours. Punch down dough. Turn out onto lightly-floured board or canvas and knead until smooth. Divide dough into 2 equal portions. Shape each portion into a loaf and place in a greased loaf pan (4½ x 8½ inches, top inside measure). Grease tops. Cover. Let rise in a warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk — about 45 minutes. Bake in a hot oven (400 deg. F.) 35 to 40 minutes.

Gifts from your kitchen

(Consumer Section)

The nicest gifts of all to give and to receive are those that money cannot buy. These gifts emanate from the home and nowhere else and make the human heart respond with old-fashioned emotions. Gifts like these could be such delicacies as spicy mellowed pickles made from your favorite recipe; a summer flavored jam or jelly; a rich cookie or a fruit filled loaf of bread. All are packed in fancy boxes, neat little crocks and glass bottles or attractive apothecary jars and when tied with gay paper, ribbons and sprigs of holly and placed under a tree, it will be Christmas indeed. Incidentally, be sure to label gifts that should be refrigerated or eaten promptly.

Here are a few ideas from the Consumer Section kitchens in Ottawa which can be made up before Christmas for thoughtful giving:

Shortbread

1 Cup butter, ½ cup fruit sugar, 2¼ cups sifted all-purpose flour.

Cream butter well until light yellow in color. Add sugar gradually and beat until fluffy. Reserve ¼ cup of flour for flouring the board during kneading. Add remaining flour to butter and sugar mixture, one-half cup at a time. Mix well after each addition. Turn dough out onto floured board and gradually knead in remaining flour. Divide dough into two parts and knead these until all cracks have disappeared, about five minutes.

Chill the two pieces of dough in refrigerator until stiffened, 15 to 20 minutes. Roll out each piece of dough separately to a thicknesses of ⅜ inch. Cut into fancy shapes about one inch in diameter. Be sure to cut clear through the dough to the board. Place cookies on a baking sheet about one-half inch apart. Bake in a slow oven, 300°F., until slightly golden, 25 to 30 minutes. Makes about 3 dozen shortbreads.

Maple Syrup Fudge

2 Cups maple syrup, 4 tablespoons butter.

Measure syrup and butter into a large saucepan and boil to 234° F., or until syrup just holds together when dropped into cold water (not ice water). Remove from heat and let cool to lukewarm. Then heat until mixture begins to lose its gloss. Pour immediately in a lightly buttered 8" x 4" loaf pan. Cut into squares before it has completely hardened.

Apple Bread

½ Cup shortening, ¾ cup sugar, 2 eggs, 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, ½ teaspoon baking soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 1½ cups peeled, finely shredded apple, ½ cup chopped nuts.

Cream butter, add sugar gradually and cream well together. Add eggs and beat thoroughly. Mix and sift dry ingredients. Shred apple, then add alternately with the dry ingredients. Stir in nuts. Spread batter in a greased, lined loaf pan about 9" x 5". Bake in a moderate oven, 350°F., for about 1 hour.

Liver Sausage Dip

½ lb. Liver sausage (unsliced), ¼ to ½ cup salad dressing, 3 tablespoons cucumber relish, ¼ cup finely grated onion, 2 teaspoons prepared mustard, ¾ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, 14 drops (⅛ teaspoon) hot pepper sauce, ¼ teaspoon salt.

Combine liver sausage and salad dressing. Blend in remaining ingredients and whip with a fork until light. Chill. Remove from refrigerator ½ hour before serving. Makes about 1½ cups.



Cherchez la femme

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Teatime Topics



Specially Written for The Lachute Watchman

By Edna Blakely,

Canadian Press Staff Writer

Cookies are synonymous with Christmas and it's high time to start thinking of Christmas baking.

These tinted cocoanut balls will add a festive mode to your holiday tray:

Cream together until light and fluffy, 1 cup soft butter; ¼ cup sifted confectioner's sugar; and 2 tsps. vanilla. Stir in 1 tbsp. water and 2 cups sifted pastry flour. Mix well. Add ¾ cup chopped walnuts and ¼ cup finely chopped, well-drained maraschino cherries. Shape into one-inch balls. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 300 degrees for about 20 minutes, or until firm. Cool thoroughly. Remove from pan. Dip cookies in a butter icing and roll in tinted cocoanut. Makes four dozen.

For the butter icing cream together 3 tbsps. butter; a dash of salt; and 3 tbsps. sifted confectioner's sugar. Add 3 tbsps. milk alternately with 2 cups sifted confectioner's sugar. Beat until every smooth and of cream consistency. Add 1 tsp. vanilla.

To tint cocoanut blend a drop or so of red or green food coloring with 1 tsp. water. In a jar or polyethylene bag toss together with 1½ cups shredded cocoanut. Spread a thin layer on a cookie sheet or dry for a few minutes in a 225 degree oven before using.

Another method of coloring cocoanut is to save the juice from red or green maraschino cherries, then add cocoanut to the juice.

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For Added Color

The Christmas salad is an important part of the dinner and should add a bit of color to the table or buffet. Home economists with the federal agriculture department have come up with this Red Apple Juice mold. It's good to eat and can be prepared the day before serving.

The mold requires 2 cups cranberries, 2½ cups apple juice; 2 tbsps. gelatine; ¾ cup sugar; few grains salt.

Combine cranberries and 1 cup apple juice, bring to a boil and cook gently for five minutes. Press cranberries through a sieve. To sieved cranberries add remaining apple juice, sugar and salt, and heat to a boil. Add soaked gelatine and stir until dissolved. Pour into a ring mold or into 6 or 8 individual molds. Chill until firm. Makes six servings as a side salad or eight to 10 servings when served as a relish.

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Recognizing Quacks

The Health League of Canada has agreed with simple rules of the American Medical Association for recognizing the medical "quack". They are:

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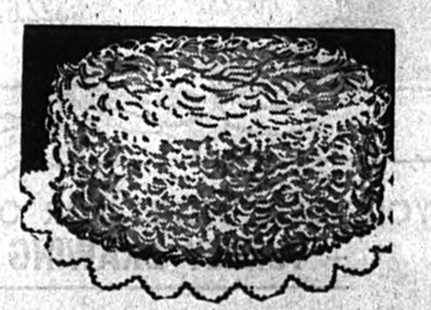
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Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

THE CAT'S MEOW

There are times when my good judgment can be swayed, when I throw caution to the four winds and, as my grandmother would say, "may the devil take the hind-most". The day on which my most recent tilt with reason occurred was sunny and warm. Golden leaves drifted in rustling little heaps and beneath them a soft white fur paw played with the laces of my walking shoes.

The kitten was the color of fall, a fluffy bundle of orange angora with turquoise eyes, innocent of all guile. I should have known better, for this was a female feline, a witch in cat's clothing. On that glorious afternoon she cuddled into my neck, purred her way into my heart and it took little persuasion on the part of her mistress to make me her proud owner. Especially when I learned there were three girl kittens in the litter and two at least were destined for an early demise unless someone adopted them.

Sometimes since that fatal afternoon I greatly regret having been so easily coerced into believing that "Buffy" would be an ideal companion for our senior citizen who spends her days in the land of counterpane. I might have known that kittens don't stay put, and that flying fingers on a keyboard become fascinating pleasure for a predatory disposition. Buffy's antics and the hectic contribution she has made to our peaceful household have completely unnerved me.

Buffy was an angel the first three days we owned her. I brought her home in a huge carton which must have appeared as cold and frightening to her as the walls of Sing Sing to a prisoner, after the warm fur bosom of her mother and the playful companionship of her sisters. She curled up on our senior citizen's bed and nothing except the urge of nature could budge her from the comfort of human love and a woolly blanket. This was joy. She was so cute and playful, sweet and cuddly, that any apprehensions I had about having her invade our privacy were lulled almost into oblivion.

She got her second wind about the evening of the third day. I had been told by her former mistress to feed her a teaspoonful of a well-known cat food along with a bowl of warm milk three times a day. I can vouch for the veracity of the company's advertising. It made Buffy not only feel like a tiger, but act like one as well.

Her first adventure was scaling the bamboo blinds and hanging like a deflated balloon six feet from the security of the floor. It was at this moment she discovered she had a voice. She meowed a plaintive plea to be rescued, then caterwauled her terror like a tomcat. I had hardly picked her off the curtains when she discovered the luxuriant hoya vines that grow up the wall beside the dining room window. She capered up like Jack climbing the beanstalk and brought the whole lively mass of green stuff down in a heap, looking as though a tropical storm had hit it with a blast.

Buffy, I have decided, has no fear of anything that provides a challenge to her climbing ability. My pajama legs, any tree within a mile, rafters in the basement and the inaccessible gable in the roof top are all adventures for her. She can get up, but aside from being shaken from my pajama legs, she can seldom descend of her own accord. This has developed in me an unexpected agility. As long as I don't look down while trying to rescue her from the limbs of an apple tree or the crotch of an elm I can safely bring us both to earth.

She has an absolute mania for African violets. Stealthily she creeps among the foliage of a favorite double "Pink Petticoat" until she finds the biggest, juiciest blossom. Then, quicker than anyone can grab her, she has decapitated the bloom, swallowed it whole and ducked under the bed where no one can reach her.

Our kitten is a TV buff. Our only means of taming her high spirits is either to starve her nigh unto death or turn on the video contraption in the corner of the room. She will sit for an hour, ears perked, tail coiled, paws licked to a creamy white and just stare and stare. She is not particular about the program. I don't believe she has any aesthetic taste about plays or music, she doesn't abhor the commercials or become hysterical over westerns, nor does she swoon over pop singers. She just sits, and so do I. Whether I like the viewing fare or not it is comforting to know that lamps, plants, upholstery, my skin and hose are safe for a moment from complete destruction.

Still, we love this feline bomb I am sure, for when she strays for an hour or so I "Here, Kitty, Kitty" myself hoarse until she is safely back in the family fold.

Women's Institutes reaching out to natives of the Canadian North

Mrs. James Haggerty, of Napanee, Ont., president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, was in Ottawa recently to discuss preliminary plans for the annual board meeting to be held in that city February 28 to March 3, 1962. Arrangements are already being made for tours to take F.W.I.C. delegates to the 10th triennial conference of the Associated Country Women of the World, in Melbourne, Australia, in October of that year.

Extension work in the North West Territories and the Yukon was also reviewed, and a forward look taken at the possibility of expanding the program in an effort to work more closely with the native women. A start has been made by some of the five groups now comprising the Northern Canada Women's Institutes and efforts are being made to speed up this aspect of the work.

The group at Fort Providence has been quite successful, with a mixed membership of Indian and white women, while the last report from Inuvik, the most northerly group, states several native women attended their class in making parkas, and they are now hoping that one of them can be secured as the instructor for another course planned in the making of mukluks. "This may be one way of starting to bridge the gap," writes the Inuvik secretary.

A news sheet now goes quarterly to the N.C.W.I. This is edited by Mrs. George Wilson, former public relations officer for F.W.I.C., and Mrs. Wm. Hough, who organized the five Women's Institutes already in that area. Monthly broadcasts are also recorded by these two members of the F.W.I.C. Northern Committee, bringing items of interest to the N.C.W.I.

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Tips on Touring

By Carol Lane
Women's Travel Authority



Week-end tours in winter can be wonderful — for skiing or sightseeing, for fun or education. And driving in winter is a snap, if you remember these common-sense tips from Carol Lane, women's travel consultant:

1. Keep your car in top mechanical condition. Make sure you have anti-freeze, the right grade of oil, a fully-charged battery, good tires, and windshield wipers. Your nearest service station will check them all.

2. If you drive on snow, get the "feel" of the road when you first start out. See how your brakes and steering react, then drive accordingly.

3. Keep the car well ventilated. This keeps your windshield clear, and helps you avoid drowsiness that might come from a heated car.

4. If you drive much in snow, use snow tires. Carry reinforced tire chains for snow-packed or icy roads.

5. It's always dangerous to "tail-gate". But in winter, keep an extra margin of safety between you and the car ahead.

6. If you have to make a sudden stop, pump your brakes several times quickly. Jamming your foot on the brake pedal is an invitation to a skid.

7. Emergency items for trunk compartment: a shovel, a couple of buckets of sand, some old carpeting or wire mesh and a good flashlight.

Dry up or eliminate the office party!

In the belief that it constitutes one of the most serious menaces to holiday traffic safety, the Canadian Highway Safety Council has urged all employers to either dry up or do away with the pre-Christmas office party. In permitting staffs to hold such celebrations on company premises, the employers take the responsibility of any dire consequences that result. By confining refreshments to coffee or tea, or asking their employees to forego the parties altogether, the same employers could free themselves of those responsibilities and enjoy the Yule season fully.

This is not a new idea. The Safety Council continually has made this plea. In many cases, the response has been encouraging. Staffs of several Canadian firms have collected the customary funds for the Christmas party, then turned the money over to charitable organizations to aid in Christmas cheer campaigns. The parties were not held, staff members had the satisfaction of contributing to the holiday happiness of someone who otherwise might not have been able to achieve that happiness, and the same staff members were able to drive or walk with unclouded minds and unhampered reactions in traffic.

National business organizations have taken up the idea. Prominent is the action of the Automotive Transportation Association's Trucking Industry Educational Foundation. Through its "Christmas in September" program, ATA receives, from trucking companies, contributions of funds previously spent on Christmas gifts and celebrations. This money has made it possible for the Foundation to provide university bursaries to hundreds of students.

Mailman, Milkman

The employer, at his office and at home, can do a great service to Yuletide safety by resisting the impulse to offer drinks to the people who perform daily services — milkman, mailman, grocery deliverer, and others. He must remember he is adding to the perils of the holiday season by this act. He is not being generous; he is being cruel to these people. Give them smokes or some little gift, but never invite them in "for a quick one".

The excitement and neighborliness of the season creates a great deal of hazard by itself. To add to this hazard by the ill-considered distribution of alcoholic refreshments might easily result in tragedy.

— Highway Safety News

Choosing plants for gifts and care to make them last

In mid-December, you will probably already have made up your list for Christmas gifts. . . . In case you may have decided to buy flowers or plants — Gérard Caumartin, of Quebec Department of Agriculture, makes the following suggestions, hoping that you will find them helpful in choosing your plants and also in caring for them so that they can be kept as long as possible.

Cut Flowers: Although cut flowers have the disadvantage of not lasting very long, they are still very popular. Roses, carnations, snapdragons and chrysanthemums are the most in demand. In order to make them last, you may put them in a distinctly cool place at night and change their water and cut a bit off the end of the stem every day. It is also helpful to put a little salt in the water or add liquid fertilizers to it, or make use of the commercial powders which are sold specially for the purpose.

Potted plants: Some of the foliage house-plants make acceptable presents (for example; ferns, asparagus, philodendron, pothos, sansevieria, aspidistra, cactuses, and large plants, or in some cases even Japanese miniature gardens.) But, generally speaking, it is more usual at Christmas time to give flowering plants in bloom. Amongst those most commonly given are poinsettias, azaleas, cyclamen, potted chrysanthemums, etc. Many florists also have on sale Jerusalem cherries, Christmas peppers and different species of begonia, and they are also beginning to offer some of the flowering bulbs.

If you want these plants to last, in the first place choose specimens which are not too advanced in stage of flowering. Then take into consideration such conditions as light, heat and humidity. These are very important factors, for their combined effect must be favorable for certain success with plants.

Even direct sunlight is not very strong in January, so that flowering plants may well be placed in full sunlight near windows, as long as care is taken not to expose them to cold air or draughts. You should also avoid putting them near radiators or hot air outlets because most of these house-plants like a cool, damp situation. They may be revived and hardened by being placed, at night, in a cool place, such as a closed porch or cellar entrance or garage (providing there is no risk or exposure to real cold).

The most important point to consider is watering. Forced plants of the kind we are discussing, with their pots filled with roots, usually need a good deal of water at once or, in other words, a good soaking, every morning if necessary. It is not good policy to water them a little at a time, several times a day. After a good watering, the soil should be wet throughout the whole depth of the pot or container.

Lack of water may cause these plants to wilt and wither. As soon as you notice that a plant has been short of water, set it in a bucket containing enough water to reach over the top of the pot. Leave it immersed in this way for about an hour and then stand it to drain for a few minutes.

Do not forget to remove faded flowers which, otherwise, would exhaust the plant by going to seed. Remember to supply the plant with fertilizer by means of the commercial products which are sold for the purpose. On the other hand, in the case of plants used for Japanese miniature gardens, growing in impermeable pots of porcelain or other material, without drainage (without holes in them), be very careful how you water since too much water will lead irrevocably to acidification of the soil and rotting the roots.

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Upon completion of the present issue, the Paid-up Capital will be increased by $2,000,000 to a total of $9,000,000, and the Rest Account increased by $3,400,000 to a total of $15,400,000, bringing the aggregate of Paid-up Capital and Rest Account to $24,400,000.

Subscription rights are to be issued this week, and they will expire February 26, 1962. The Bank Act prohibits the offer of, or provision of, rights for fractions of a share.

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New Conditions and Problems Facing The Canadian Economy

Summary of address by the President, Mr. J.-Ubald Boyer, at the 61st Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders.

The relative softness of the Canadian economy—or, more generally, of the whole North American economy—is in direct contrast with the rapid expansion of business in Western Europe. From the very moment that the Common Market was created, it became obvious that the two great countries of North America would have to reconcile themselves eventually to a radical realignment of their trade policies. As there is a possibility that Britain may join the European Economic Community, it is more urgent than ever that we in Canada should anticipate rather radical changes in our international dealings. Some of the basic data relating to our foreign trade will, indeed, have to be revised.



J.-Ubald Boyer
President

While neither Britain nor, in a wider field, the Commonwealth, can be said to have the same paramount importance for Canadian imports and exports as in years gone by, it is a fact that these markets still account for almost one quarter of all our exports. Should the preference agreements be cancelled or new tariffs be set up against the products of our farms, forests or mines exported to Britain, or should we eventually lose the benefits of the special arrangements we now have with Commonwealth countries, several important sectors of our economy would be seriously affected.

Not only must our trade policies be revised, but the structure of our domestic economy must be changed, if business is to recover the dynamic strength it used to have. In neither of these fields, should the required decisions be postponed.

A review of our economic situation would reveal the existence of some basic difficulties which certainly contrast with the situation we enjoyed for 10 years following the war. Our governments, both Federal and Provincial, should continue to work out efficient policies with a view to promoting activity and readapting, wherever required, our economic structures. Some of these policies, because of their very nature, will have no immediate effect on the level of economic activity. Let us hope, however, that as a result of these measures and with the cooperation of all citizens in the various sectors of the economy, Canada will again enjoy the steady rate of growth which she experienced for so many years. Both management and labor can play an all-important role in this connection, by increasing the efficiency of Canadian enterprises and by making it possible for our industries to meet the competition of foreign goods, both on Canadian and international markets. The task will, of course, be an exacting one, but Canadians have shown in the past that they can successfully meet any difficulties.

A Successful Year for The Bank

Summary of address by the General Manager, Mr. Léo Lavoie

The year 1961 has seen our assets top the $400 million mark for the first time; in fact at the close of the fiscal period, total assets stood at $422 millions, compared with $382 millions last year. Our operating profits indicate a net increase of a quarter of a million dollars before provision for income taxes.

Our deposits went from $360½ millions to $399 millions. Personal savings deposits have risen by $8½ millions. The increase was more marked in "Other Deposits", which went from $164 millions last year to $196 millions, an increase of $32 millions or 19.5%. Government of Canada deposits dropped to $273,000 as against $5¾ millions last year. On the other hand, deposits by provincial governments have more than doubled and exceeded $5¾ millions at the end of last October.



Léo Lavoie
General Manager

Total loans went from $190 millions to $208 millions, increasing by $18 millions or 9.3%.

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Operating profits, after deducting all charges and provisions for contingencies, were $3,260,000 compared with $3,020,000 in 1960. Out of these profits, $1,570,000 has been set aside for income taxes and a contribution of $150,000 made to the Staff Pension Fund Society. Available profits, after these deductions, amounted to $1,540,000 compared with $1,450,000 in 1960, this being $2.20 per share as against $2.07 the previous year. The five dividends paid during the year totalled $1,015,000, compared with $945,000 in 1960, the rate increasing from $1.35 to $1.45 per share. A net amount of $450,000, after deduction for income taxes, has been transferred from Inner Reserves to Undivided Profits, which as a result stood at $1,113,000. From this, a transfer of $1 million was made to rest account, which now totals $12 millions.

In order to facilitate the continued expansion of our Bank and, at the same time, to give our shareholders an opportunity to increase their participation, the Board of Directors have decided to make available for subscription 200,000 new shares. After subscription and payment of this issue, paid-up capital will have been increased by $2,000,000 and rest account by $3,400,000. Paid-up capital and rest account then will stand at $9,000,000 and $15,400,000 respectively, making a total of $24,400,000.

I would like at this time to pay tribute to our personnel and express our gratitude for the loyalty, devotion and team spirit which they have shown.

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Hold prices down, boost productivity, says banker viewing current trends

Montreal, Dec. 4 — Holding prices down and increasing productivity should be Canada's objectives in the face of intensifying world competition and changing market alignments, according to G. Arnold Hart, president of the Bank of Montreal.

Mr. Hart told the bank's 144th annual meeting today that this country should follow the European example in developing greater cooperation among labor, management and government towards these paramount aims.

R. D. Mulholland, vice-president and general manager, reported business to October 31 at a record level, with growth in assets of $464 million, which represented "the largest increase ever experienced in a year by any Canadian bank." This expansion brought the B of M's total resources to a figure just below the $4-billion mark.

3,000,000 Customers

Mr. Mulholland also noted that the B of M is now banker to more than 3,000,000 Canadians from coast to coast, with the number of deposit accounts increasing 134,000 in the year.

Mr. Hart said that the pace of recovery from recession "still falls short of the rate of growth we would wish to see."

Positive Approach

Advocating a positive approach to new problems for Canada caused by the European Common Market, the B of M president said the stimulus to economic expansion likely to follow Britain's entry and the consequent greater demand for Canadian raw materials, might well in the long run offset other disadvantages. In any event, he continued, Canada can "reap nothing but disappointment from taking a negative attitude in our international dealings. We should be active in meeting the competition, and in adapting ourselves."

Progress Noteworthy

Reporting "noteworthy progress" in a year when monetary conditions were "appreciably easier", Mr. Mulholland presented a statement showing new records in almost all areas. Assets rose to $3,950 million, deposits to $3,647 million, loans to $1,934 million and investments to $1,107 million, he said, while earnings were $14,578,817.

Expenses rose substantially during the year, due mainly to increased interest paid to depositors and to increased salary costs for the larger staff needed to handle the rapidly increasing volume of business, Mr. Mulholland said.

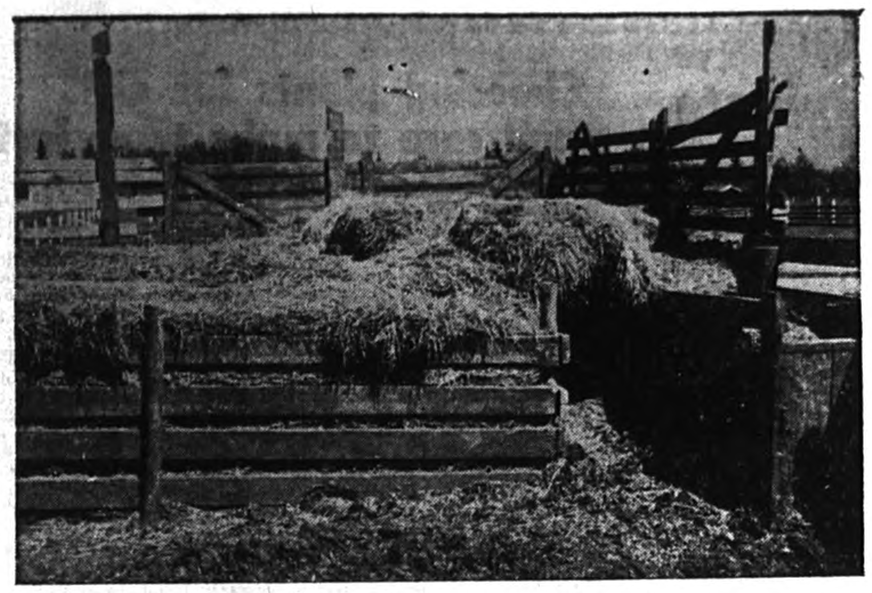
887 Offices

Forty-five new B of M offices were opened during the year, bringing the October 31 figure to 887 at home and abroad.

Loaning services to the small business borrower have been readily available, including loans under provisions of the Small Businesses Loans Act, and advances by the bank to farmers also rose to new records. The general manager also reported expansion in the B of M's international business and in operations of its affiliate, the Bank of London and Montreal, in the Caribbean and Latin America.



(SEE ADVT., PAGE 10)
Farmers' Supply Co.
Foundry Street, Lachute.



Outdoor shelter experiment

STRAW HOUSING—This low, flat-roofed straw-covered shelter, its walls lined with bales of straw, proved satisfactory winter housing for pigs from weaning to finishing. Canada Department of Agriculture officials who conducted tests at Fort Vermilion in northern Alberta said the feed costs were only $1.12 more per pig than for pigs finished in a heated barn.
Canada Department of Agriculture photo.

SPARE TIME STUDY

Pointe Bleue, Que. (CP) — Some 30 Indians from Quebec reservations gathered at this lower St. Lawrence locality for a week-long study of leisure time activities among Indians.

PRIVATE SANCTUARY

Holstein, Ont. (CP) — John and James Calder, farmers in this Grey County district, have an unofficial wildlife sanctuary housing 10 deer as well as scores of ducks and Canada geese.

WORKERS DOUBLED

Vancouver (CP) — Hospital workers in British Columbia have almost doubled in 12 years. Employees have increased from 7,068 in 1949 to 13,250 this year.

Plant breeding accelerated by growth chambers

Ottawa — Growth chambers equipped with fluorescent tubes and incandescent bulbs to stimulate sunlight are saving plant breeders years of experimentation, especially in the development of new varieties.

Canada Department of Agriculture cereal breeders can grow four generations of 90-day barley in one year, the plants receiving light for 16 hours a day at an intensity of 3,000-foot candles, which is about the average amount of light receiving daily from the sun during the growing season.

Studies on resistance of cereal plants to disease are speeded up by using growth chambers. Wheat seedlings, for instance, can be sprayed with rust organisms and their resistance determined within a week or two. For smut resistance tests, seedlings have to be grown to the flowering stage or further, depending on the kind of smut.

W. Kalbfleisch, agricultural engineer at the Central Experimental Farm here, compared the 10,000-foot candles available in the department's growth chambers. Heat given off by artificial lighting makes ventilation or refrigeration of the growth chamber necessary.

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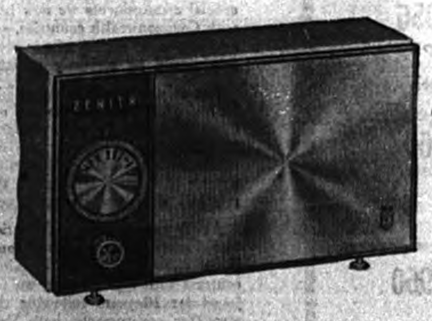
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The Lachute Watchman

Publishers and Staff.

'Ted' Smith honored for lengthy service to St. Jerusalem Council

Mr. E. W. ("Ted") Smith was guest of honor at a dinner given by the Municipal Council of the Parish of St. Jerusalem, at the new Golfer's Motel last Thursday evening.

Over a period of years Mr. Smith has served his municipality as valuator, councillor, school commissioner, and mayor. Of the 15 years he has spent in the council chamber, seven years were as councillor and eight in the role of mayor.

As token of appreciation for his long service to the municipality, Mayor Felix Touchette, on behalf of the Parish, presented Mr. Smith with a beautiful silver tray suitably engraved in gold. In asking the recipient to accept this gift, Mayor Touchette suggested that he should not feel he was being "retired", but be prepared to accept further municipal duties in future years.

In accepting the gift, Mr. Smith expressed the hope that he had really earned such a gesture, and that if called upon again, he hoped he could be equal to expectations.



From mayor to ex-mayor

E. W. ("Ted") Smith, at the left, receives from Mayor Felix Touchette an engraved silver tray, in token of his long service to the interests of his fellow citizens in the Parish of St. Jerusalem.
—Photo, Syd Drew

School teacher loses life in highway mishap

Raymond Proulx, 22-year-old lay teacher at the Lionel Bertrand School in Ste. Therese, met tragic death when his car skidded out of control and collided with a cement post. The accident occurred at 10.15 p.m last Friday in the village of St. Canut; the victim died instantly.

Mr. Proulx, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Proulx of Brownsburg, was driving home from Ste. Therese at the time of the mishap. Coroner Dr. J. L. Paradis, of Ste. Scholastique, pronounced the death accidental.

The victim is mourned by his parents and three sisters, (Lucette) Mrs. Pierre Sammut, of Montreal, Ginette and Andrée, at home, and other relatives. He was shortly to have been engaged to Miss Monique Ouimet, of Lachute, and planned to be married next summer.

The funeral, from Desforges Funeral Parlors to St. Louis de France Church at Brownsburg, was held Tuesday at 10 a.m.

The Greatest Gift

The greatest gift the parents of a backward or retarded boy or girl can give their child, is the companionship of other children with the same I.Q.

Here in Lachute, we have a class of five children who, under the tuition of a very capable teacher, have made great strides, both in education and handicrafts.

Only a class of 10 children or over is recognized by the Department of Education. Unless we can reach this total in the near future, we shall have to close our school, because of financial difficulties.

We appeal to all parents of children, eligible for this school, to enroll them in our class.

We can then keep our present pupils, also help others to learn to be useful members of our community.

The Lachute Association for Retarded Children classes are held in the Presbyterian Church hall, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

— Lachute Association for Retarded Children

Sentiments and Sidelights

(Comments on the Local Scene)

An item of news which caught the public eye, was the sale of the town emergency vehicle (a 1960 station wagon) for $700. There was only one bidder, a St. Jerome townsman, who came and took delivery of the vehicle, paying cash. Actually the corporation lost nothing, since the trade-in allowance offered was only around $500.

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The Christmas tree at the Bethany and Main Street intersection may have more than a festive significance for a few of Lachute's old-timers. . . . Plumb in the middle of our present Main Street, it is actually near the site of a tree which grew on the line of the Hugh Gall lot. Mr. Gall, father of the late Postmaster Mossman Gall, gave this whole frontage of his property, across to Muir's Service Station, so that the town could straighten Main Street at this point. (See picture of old post-office, on page 4, section 2, of this issue.)

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Don't forget to return your remittance for Christmas Seals. The Laurentide Anti-Tuberculosis League, which promotes free X-ray clinics throughout the industries and municipalities of this County, depends a lot on the public support to Christmas Seals.

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It is almost 40 years since Mr. Roland Paquette joined the Ste. Anastasie Church choir. Starting at the age of 14, he sang under a succession of choir directors from 1921 until three years ago, when he himself became the director. Our contemporary, "L'Argenteuil", remarks that all the masses he has chanted, if laid end-to-end, would surely pave his way to the pearly gates.

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An innovation in the Lachute Branch of "Scotiabank" was noted at the commencement of the Festive Season, with the continuous playing of music during banking hours. At present, Christmas music is being featured, but the installation of permanent equipment will provide customers with background melodies the year round.

New president appointed to C-I-L

The appointment of Leonard Hynes, vice-president, as president and chairman of the executive committee of Canadian Industries Limited, effective March 1, 1962, is announced by the company's board of directors. Mr. Hynes will succeed P. C. Allen, who has been president since January 1959. Mr. Allen is returning to England to assume new duties in his capacity as an executive director of Imperial Chemical Industries Limited.



LEONARD HYNES

Born and educated in Toronto, Mr. Hynes joined C-I-L on graduation from the University of Toronto, has served in various managerial capacities in the chemicals and paints division of the company, and was elected a director and vice-president in 1954. He is a director and former chairman of the executive council of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and president of St. Mary's Hospital, Montreal.

Christmas recital presented by Argenteuil Choral Society

The first Christmas recital by the Argenteuil Choral Society has been a welcome addition to the Yuletide observances, and was well aclaimed by a large audience at Lachute United Church last Sunday evening.

This 52-voice choir led the singing in many of the well-known carols, and rendered nine selections of specially chosen carols from many lands. The leader, Lowell B. Hopkins, directed the choir in most of the unaccompanied singing, which gave indication of good blending in all parts of the group. The Rev. Wilson Bridge, as host minister to the choir, extended a warm welcome to the singers and the audience.

Following the presentation, the choir and their guests were served refreshments, and the group's president, Mrs. Mason Crosby of Brownsburg, thanked the committee in charge; she also expressed the thanks of the choir to Mr. Hopkins for his many fine leadership qualities, and had warm words for other members of the choir who had co-operated in making this Christmas Chorale a success.

Annual dinner held for blind district residents

Sightless people of the district gathered at the Legion Hall for their annual Christmas dinner, December 14. The Women's Auxiliary to the CNIB served a hot turkey dinner with all the trimmings. The guests numbered 51 sightless people and their guides. The CNIB and its Women's Auxiliary are grateful to all who contributed to the success of this sixth annual dinner.

Those who entertained the group were Miss Genny Lynn Ponech, Mr. Robert Lee, Mrs. Jocelyn Simons and Mr. King Amos. Accompanists for the evening were Mrs. Inez Hopkins and Mrs. Ivy Wheeler.

The CNIB is grateful to the following for contributions towards the success of the evening — Welden Motors, Desrosiers Automobiles, I.G.A., A & P, Dominion Store, T. Eaton Company, David's Reg., Lowe Bros., and Maitland Bros.

Drivers who brought the sightless to the Legion Hall were — Rod Carreau, Mrs. Antoine Paré, Mrs. Marcel Gendron, Mrs. Phylis Stephens, Mrs. William Richardson, Albert Salway, Roger Guimond, Fred Wilcox, A. Paulsen and George Lowe.

Mrs. T. Dwyer, president of the Auxiliary, William Richardson, chairman of the CNIB, and A. C. Zaplaski, field secretary, voiced their Christmas messages to the gathering.

Col. Ernest Emmett, president of the Lions Club, presented gifts to the sightless people. (This year the gifts were donated jointly by the CNIB and the Lions.)

A record player provided Christmas music, by courtesy of J. W. Lefebvre Ltée.

The Advisory Board of the CNIB, the W.A., as well as the staff, take this opportunity of extending the Season's Greetings to all friends who have given their support to this work on behalf of the sightless people.

Two asphyxiated in parked truck

Two Ottawa area men died of asphyxiation in the cab of their panel truck on Hawkesbury's main street about 6.40 a.m. on December 9. The victims were Georges Levesque, 23, of Gatineau Point, and Francois Coté, 36, of Hull.

The bodies of the two men were discovered in the truck by André Dewar, of Hawkesbury. They had apparently fallen asleep with the motor idling to keep them warm. Coroner Dr. Arcade Perrier considered no inquest necessary.

Fraud scheme is charged to ex-Hydro man

Montreal — A former Hydro-Quebec receiving clerk was accused by witnesses in Criminal Court last week of having planned and participated in a scheme to profit by charging the Provincial Government for lumber it never received.

The accused, Jean Marc Montagne, 31, who was dismissed by Hydro-Quebec last July, was sent for voluntary statement on theft and conspiracy charges.

A co-accused, Georges André Leduc, of Beauharnois, who was on bail of $950, failed to show up for preliminary inquiry and a bench warrant was issued for his arrest. He also is an ex-Hydro employee.

Laurent Flamand, a trucker working last April for Lagueux Frères Ltée, a shipper of lumber to Hydro-Quebec at Carillon, swore Montagne proposed to him that he sell loads of wood intended for delivery to the government utility and split the proceeds with him.

The trucker went to his foreman in St. Pamphile and reported the proposition, who in turn advised the Lagueux firm, which reported it to the Department of Public Works in Quebec.

Flamand agreed to go along with the proposition to lay a trap for the Hydro employee.

He told Judge Armand Chevrette that on two occasions he drove his empty truck up to the receiving department of Hydro at Carillon, presented his bill of lading for a total of more than $2,000 worth of lumber, and obtained a receipt signature from Montagne.

At the same time, he said, he handed Montagne what purported to be a two-thirds share of the receipts from the pretended sale. Montagne was to share with his immediate superior, Leduc.

Montagne is on bail of $950, pending appearance for voluntary statement.

Sheriff of Prescott and Russell



Maurice Théoret, who has held the office of Deputy-Sheriff for the past four years, has been named Sheriff of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell to replace the late Sheriff J. A. Beaulieu. In addition to being the Chief Executive of the Queen's Justice, Sheriff Théoret will also be the Registrar of Supreme Court, Clerk of County Court and Clerk of the Surrogate Court. . . . Sheriff Théoret is married to Rollande Laurin, formerly of Lachute.



Santa receives civic welcome

A Santa Claus Parade organized by the Ste. Anastasie Loisirs committee, made a festive spectacle and attracted the interest of young and old. Proceeding from Arc Supply Co. down Bethany and Main Street last Sunday afternoon, the decorated floats and cars halted at the Auditorium, where Père Noël was extended a civic greeting by Mayor Fernand Legault (above), and favors and candies were distributed while Santa met the young throng in person.
— Photo Studio, Lachute

Boy Scouts of Canada

LONG SAULT DISTRICT COUNCIL

Scouters' Meeting

At a meeting of Boy Scout and Wolf Cub leaders December 12 at the home of District Commissioner M. R. Wilson, initial plans were made for a number of winter activities which will be of interest to all boys, leaders and parents in the Long Sault District. The following dates are tentative:

January 20 — Boy Scouts' overnight winter camping for Patrol Leaders and Seconds.

January 27 — Wolf Cub Sixers' Rally.

February 24 — Wolf Cub Hockey Tournament.

March 3 — Boy Scouts' Winter Field Day.

Confirmation and further details of all these events will be published under this heading.

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Bottle Collection

The Lachute Scout Troop's recently announced plans for a collection of all types of bottles and scrap glass on January 6, will be watched with considerable interest by several other units in the district. It is felt that, like the paper salvage drives which are already well established in both Brownsburg and Lachute, this may be a practical step in the direction of financial self-sufficiency. Projects in which boys can render useful community service and at the same time assist in providing themselves with the means to make the most of the Boy Scout program, deserve enthusiastic encouragement and support.

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To Publish Boy Magazine

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Council, Boy Scouts of Canada, in Regina, on October 17, it was decided to launch a national magazine for boys. This magazine will be circulated, on a subscription basis, to every boy member of the Boy Scouts of Canada, and to other boys of similar ages. The launching date of the magazine will be announced later.

No edition of The Watchman in Christmas week

There will be no issue of this newspaper December 27, due to statutory holidays and inability to ensure deliveries in reasonable time.

The office of Giles Publishing House will close Friday at noon, to give staff the benefit of a full holiday week-end.

Skiers – big season ahead!

This is only the beginning, the beginning of the best ski season ever known to this area — thanks to the beautiful new Ayers Ski Centre at Carling Lake — with its new double chair lift, restaurant, and redesigned ski trails bringing the total number to 10, an increase of three over last year. A unique ski shop, built on the lines of a typical Swiss Mountain Chalet, is now open from 9 till 9 each day, to fill your every skiing need.

Once you've got your slacks, parka, flannel longies, goggles, mitts, skiis, poles and your boots tightly laced on, then you are all set to ski. Whether you've never worn skiis before, or if you are a near-champion, learning is fun at the Ayers Ski School, and here's the place to polish up your performance. An official school of the Canadian Ski Instructors' Alliance, it offers private and group lessons for all stages and ages.

The junior program for children, from 6 to 12 inclusive, will be starting at 10 a.m. Saturday or Sunday, January 6-7, whichever you prefer, and will be running for 12 consecutive week-ends. We suggest you register early to avoid disappointment, for the special classes specifically designed for this age group. The cost of this course is only $10; and $6 for members of the newly-formed Ram Ski Club.

We extend a most sincere invitation to both young and old, to drop up and see the new improvements, browse in the ski shop, or just talk skiing for awhile with our friendly ski pros.

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— Ross Cole, R.C.S.I.
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Argenteuil Outdoors

A column for the sportsman .

— By BOB ATCHISON —



Winter birds are now feeding at any feeder in sight. There are a great number of sparrows, and these more or less take over any free "eats" around. Every once in awhile a jay comes in among them and clears the decks! This doesn't last for long though; the ones chased away must have some sort of radar and get in touch with all their cousins. I think most people get a kick out of watching birds, but these sparrows take the cake, as far as I'm concerned. Real bullies at all times. The poor little chickadees don't get much chance; but they have marvellous patience, and when the sparrows clear out for awhile, the chicks are right back, like dirty shirts.

I was watching a couple of partridge right alongside our cedars the other morning. Of course, these things don't pay much attention to anything except feeding.

Don't forget to put out some feed for these friends, and maybe a little hunk of suet would give them the Christmas spirit.

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With the duck season all over for another year, it is about time we viewed the results. I do know that in our district, except for a few isolated instances, the limits were never reached. Fewer ducks were seen this year than I can remember, and the drought they had in different parts of the country certainly had a lot to do with the poor showing of all breeds. Some of the literature I have received points out that, in parts of the country where rainfall was good, the ducks did quite well, but not enough to offset the depletion caused by the drought.

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Rabbits are easily come by these days. They seem to have had a very successful summer — good feed, not much disease, and not too many predators around, at least not enough to hurt them much. Some of them, strangely enough, do not have any white on them with the exception of the paws and parts of the belly. I don't know just what this means in terms of weather, but if we are to believe all we have learned about animals, then it will be a very mild winter. As I mentioned before, the Snowshoe rabbits have very little fur between their paws, thus more or less belieing their name.

With the light snow in the bush, tracks can be seen all over, of almost every species. Even the black squirrel has not retired for his winter sleep as yet. Lynx signs are also in evidence, right around the Dunany roads. I was told of a farmer whose calf had died; he placed it behind his barn, and found a panther had been around for a feed. Watching the next day, he managed to get a shot at one (fortunately missing). There doesn't seem to be much question as to what this animal was, either.

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Winter fishing will soon be the pastime, and I hope more of you will become interested in this sport. Not for the numbers of fish you may catch, but to observe some of the wonders of Nature. Most of us take a look out on a very cold morning, and that's it. Try taking a look at the sun coming up, and the millions of lights shining from the ice crystals in the air. You can see almost every color there is. I have a painting of this County near the railroad, entitled "Cold Morning" — when the old steam engines were running. (Where did you get that? — Ed.) It is a wonder to me that more people never stop and look around them; maybe too busy, but they sure are missing something.

Even the old North River can be made beautiful by Nature. As a matter of fact everything in Nature is beautiful.

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In the last couple of columns I have talked on winter camping, and tried to give you some idea of just what this sport entails. The equipment and its uses, has scarcely been scratched, but you will get the idea anyway. If any problem comes up that I may be able to help you on, don't hesitate to give me a call. Once more, I would like to say this: Do not take any chances with winter camping! It can be cruel if you make a mistake. Doing that, you spoil your pleasure — so think about it a little.

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Maybe some anglers would like to build their own rods — glass or bamboo. This can be a wonderful hobby during the long winter evenings (and good incentive to get away from the TV!). Anyone interested in this might come up to where I live, and we can work something out. Even to fly tieing — you are still welcome. Catching a fish on equipment of your own manufacture is really satisfaction, plus. Hope some of you will try it.

Another thing that should be looked at right now is your equipment used this past summer. It is a habit of most of us to put it away and forget about it until next season. This is fine for a lazy person, BUT, no fisherman is lazy. Check over your rods for any places scratched or wippings worn. Clean them off, and re-varnish them.

Naturally if the wippings are worn right through, these will have to be replaced. A simple job that requires only a little patience. Clean one end of the eye off first; the reason for this — leaving the other end wound with thread, will hold it in place for you. Start up near the bridge of the eye, if you wish. It's not the correct way of wipping, but easier at times than starting at the bottom. However, if you do it this way, file off the rough edges of the eye and taper the point of the bridge down to almost nothing. Allowing a tight finish to your wippings is all that this is done for. How much pressure you will have to put on the thread is something you will have to find out yourself.

If the handle needs to be re-corked, then slit the old corks with a knife and peel them off. Clean all dirt and glue away from the handle part, with a very fine sandpaper. Get some corks drilled for the size of the rod. Place them on a long carriage bolt, glueing between each cork. Place a large washer at the end of the corks, then start to tighten up with a screw. Tighten this up until all glue squeezes out, thus making a tight job. You may have a little trouble getting this handle off the carriage bolt when it is dry, but this is the way I manage: Get a block of wood; drill a hole in it the size of the hammer before you loosen the nut. You may have to do this a couple of times after the nut has been released, but it will come then. Make the blow a sharp one, and it will not split the corks. One more thing on this: use a waterproof glue.

The ferrules may be loose, so take them off by holding a small flame under them. This will loosen the ferrule cement and allow you to pull it off. Use a pair of pliers or else, "Look Maw, burnt fingers!" Clean them off thoroughly, then wrap a small amount of thread around the rod; melt some cement onto this thread, then place the ferrule back on. . . . Do not shove the ferrule too far, as it will stop you from using the tip. Better mark it out with a pointer or some such thing. After you have this all done, then you can hang it up for the coming season.

For the cane-rod enthusiast, a sponge or small saucer of water underneath the rod will help a lot. Drying out too much has caused more people to buy new rods than anything else. It's worth while.

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To all readers, ladies and gentlemen, who have taken the time to write, phone or talk to me — I wish you a very pleasant Christmas, and thank you all for your help in trying to make this column worth reading.

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Turkey bonspiel, home and 'away' ladies' curling

Last week, the final of the turkey bonspiel was played on Friday afternoon, the winners being — Mrs. G. G. Mitchell (skip), Miss F. A. Carrière, Mrs. S. H. Wilson and Mrs. J. Belanger. Runners-up were — Mrs. W. S. Gordon (skip), Mrs. T. Milnes, Mrs. S. Drew and Mrs. H. Kerr.

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It is expected that the final game in the Singles competition will be played on Friday. This will end organized games until after the holidays.

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Congratulations to the following players who took part in the Business Girls' bonspiel at Hawkesbury, where they won the main event — Mrs. N. Rogers (skip), Miss M. Preece, Miss C. MacKenzie and Mrs. E. K. Dixon.

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Last Tuesday a rink from Lachute played at The Chantecler in the Laurentian Trophy play, winning their game — Mrs. L. York, Mrs. F. Wood, Mrs. A. G. Giles and Mrs. J. Belanger. At the end of this, the first section, points are very close — Rosemere and Chantecler tied at 41 points, and Lachute 39.

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On Thursday of last week the following players took part in a friendly day bonspiel at The Chantecler — Mrs. G. McGibbon (skip), Mrs. A. Scott, Mrs. G. Davidson and Dr. S. MacKimmie.

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Lady curlers please note, the January meeting will be held on Monday, the 8th.

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LEGION NOTES

— by —

Branch 70 Correspondent

"ACTIVE SERVICE YESTERDAY, COMMUNITY SERVICE TODAY"



The last regular meeting of the year 1961, under the leadership of Cde. President Joe Martell, was held last Wednesday in the Legion hall. Under the able leadership of Cde. Tom Smith, the new slate of officers for the year 1962 was balloted for and accepted. Installation of the new officers will take place in January. The new president, Cde. Geo. Kirby, will have the honor, at his first meeting, of initiating into the branch one of the largest groups of applicants for membership seen in many years. The membership with the acceptance of this group will be 200. This must surely make the Branch one of the biggest service clubs in the district. The activities that the Legion enters into each and every year, show the interest that we have in the community, and our increase in membership points to the support that we are receiving from the district veterans.

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Cde. Art Gauley missed the draw and sweetened the pot by another $5. You know, if this keeps up Someone Sometime is going to pick up a nice bundle of loot!

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This coming Saturday is, of course, the kiddies' Christmas Tree party in the afternoon, and dance for Ma and Pa and their friends in the evening. The basket of cheer will be drawn for that night, too. As in the past, Branch 70 regrets that it cannot be responsible for the actions or behaviour of the lucky winner then or within the following 12 days. Nor can it supply an armed guard to cover the removal of the prize.

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Branch 70 extends to all its friends a heartfelt wish for a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous and peaceful New Year.

In nineteen hundred and sixty-two,
We still have lots of things to do.

A 'bottle drive' for Boy Scouts' fund-raising

Something new in Boy Scout fund-raising efforts, will enable Lachute and district to assist the boys and their leaders once again in this good work — also will provide an opportunity for householders to dispose of empty beverage and medicine bottles, glass jars and containers, which have a way of accumulating around the premises. Lachute Scout Troop has found a market not only for returnable bottles but also for scrap glass, and they will hold a drive to collect this material on Saturday, January 6.

Collections will be made at the door, and anyone out-of-town — in the surrounding country or villages with exception of Brownsburg — may telephone and arrangements will be made to pick up contributions.

All can help in this concerted effort to boost funds for Boy Scout work. Telephone either of these numbers — LO 2-4513 or LO 2-6776. 2x

Christian Science lesson-sermon

The Christian Science lesson on the subject "Christ Jesus", to be read in the Christian Science churches this Sunday, will have for its Golden Text these words from John's Gospel: "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness." Bible selections from all four Gospels will highlight the earthly history of the Lord. Pertinent citations from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy will include: "Is the wise man of today believed, when he beholds the light which heralds Christ's eternal dawn and describes its effulgence?"

ON STAGE FOR YULE

Theatre in England began with Christmas plays. The first British comedy was written for a Yule celebration, and the earliest tragedy, "Gorbuduc," was performed at Christmas, 1561.

IN IRELAND

The people of Ireland originated the tradition of burning a candle in the window at Christmas time. Legend said that the Christ might be wandering alone in the dark and cold, and they lit a candle to light him on his way.

Good Wishes!



In a few days, the year 1961 will be over. Are we satisfied with what we have accomplished this year, to bring peace, happiness and welfare among those around us? If not, let us make a resolution to do even better during the year to come.

I sincerely wish, for the citizens of Argenteuil, a generous share of health, prosperity and happiness in 1962.

— Rodrigue Durocher

Argenteuil Liberal Party Representative



$1,000 in H'wksby grand prize

Mr. Eugene Leroux was quite astonished last Wednesday night when his wife, Jeanne, showed him the $1,000 cheque won as the grand prize in an eight-weeks promotion organized by the Hawkesbury Merchants' Association. The $1,000 cash prize was presented to Mrs. Leroux by Bernard Danis, Association chairman.

The lucky ticket — one of 160,000 — was picked by Royal Comtois, who was m.c. at this last draw held at the Regent Theatre.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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28-oz. tin **43¢**

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Friday, Dec. 22 ..... — 8.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 23 ..... — 8.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 25 ..... — Closed
Tuesday, Dec. 26 ..... — Closed all day

DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Brownsburg

Mr. Wayne Petley, of Brantford, Ont., is spending the Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Petley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Cowley, of Winnipeg, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cowley and family.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Wm. Jackson and family, and to other relatives of the late Wm. Jackson, who passed away suddenly last week at his residence in Mount Maple.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Birch visited relatives in Montreal this week.

Visitors are cordially invited to attend the annual Watchnight Service in the Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Sunday, December 31, to commence at 11 p.m.

Greetings

Greetings and good wishes from Brownsburg community are extended to friends near and far.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Prosser are visiting relatives in Toronto.

Old Resident Died

One of the older citizens of this community, Mr. Henry Graves, passed away suddenly last week. Sympathy is extended to his relatives and friends.

Mr. Dale MacAdam and Miss Frances Fletcher are spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fletcher in Upham, N.B.

Legion Drawing

Winners are announced in the recent Legion drawing, as follows — 1st, Stanley Seary; 2nd, Antoine Lepage; 3rd, J. W. Humphries.

The committee members wish to thank all who helped in this effort or gave their support.

C.W.L. Drawing

The lucky ticket for the Brownsburg C.W.L. Christmas food basket, drawn last Saturday, was held by Mrs. Jeanne Diotte, 79 Roy Street, Lachute.

Births, Marriages, Deaths, etc.

BIRTHS

BIRCH — John and Fran (née Bennett) announce the birth of a daughter, Dec. 11, 1961, in Champaign, Illinois.

CLARKE — Mr. and Mrs. Lorne H. Clarke, of Brownsburg, Que., announce the arrival of their chosen son, Brian Charles, born July 24, 1957.

DEATH

ELLIOT — At Lachute on Dec. 19, 1961, Dorothy MacIntosh, beloved wife of Sydney Leonard Elliot. Funeral from the Chapel of Tees & Co. Inc., on Thursday, at 11 a.m., to Mount Royal Crematorium.

IN MEMORIAM

BRUNELLE — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Albani, who passed away Dec. 19, 1959. — Lovingly remembered by his wife, Diana, and family.

EVANS — In loving memory of Mrs. Geo. Evans, who passed away Dec. 22, 1947. — Always remembered by her family.

"A loving thought, a silent tear,
In memory you are always near."

FIFE — Treasured and beautiful memories of our dear daughter and sister, (Doris) Mrs. Ernie Fife, who died suddenly at her home in Ottawa, on Dec. 23, 1958. — Sadly missed by Mother, Pearl, Ruby, George and Willie.

"Time speeds on, three years have passed
Since death its gloom, its shadow cast
Within our home where all seemed bright,
And took from us its shining light.
We miss that light and ever will,
Her vacant place we can never fill;
Always so thoughtful, loving and kind —
What beautiful memories she left behind.
But some day, somewhere, we know not when,
We'll meet her, never to part again."

HOPKIN (Ellen) — In loving memory of "Mum", who passed away Dec. 25, 1947. — Lovingly remembered by Bill and Rita.

"A little prayer keeps us in touch
With a mother we loved so much;
For all of us she did her best —
May God grant her eternal rest."

MOTT — In loving memory of a dear dad (Peter), who passed away Dec. 15, 1957. — Always remembered by his son, Lorne, Blanche and family.

"Resting where no shadows fall,
In perfect peace you await us all.
God will link the broken chain
As one by one we meet again."

NICOLL — In loving memory of a dear husband and dad (Albert), who passed away on Jan. 1, 1961. — Sadly missed by his loving wife (Amy), and sons, Robert and Edward.

"Many a lonely heartache,
Often a silent tear,
But always beautiful memories
Of one we loved so dear."

NICOLL — In loving memory of a dear brother, Albert, who passed away Jan. 1, 1961. — Always remembered by Andrew and Katie.

If You're TIRED

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Morin Heights

Sincere Wishes

To readers of this column and many friends: As we stand on the threshold of a New Year, it is good to pause and express appreciation to those whose friendship and pleasant relations we have enjoyed in the work of district correspondent. It is our sincere wish that your Christmas be a happy one, and that the New Year will bring you a full measure of health and prosperity.

School News

On behalf of the School Board, the chairman, Mr. Paul Baumel, wishes to express greetings to the school municipality at this season, and to convey best wishes for a Happy New Year.

The Council

The mayor and the councillors extend to the municipality their Christmas greetings, and the joy of a Happy New Year filled with health and prosperity for all.

United Church, Morin Heights

Amid the hustle and bustle of Christmas with its round of celebrations and activities, let us stop for a moment and get our true bearings. Are we on the road to Christmas or are we on the road to Bethlehem? There is a difference. The road to Christmas is just a whirlwind of false gaiety resulting in a bitter slump at the end. The road to Bethlehem, on the other hand, leads to the blessed assurance that the Christ of God "made Himself of no reputation", deliberately chose His humility in order that He could make a gracious appeal of love, offering Himself as the tender, suffering, understanding, forgiving Friend of man. This is the central fact of Christmas — "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us," forever assuring us that God our Heavenly Father is indeed God with us, God the near, God the intimate.

As Christian folk we believe that in the Lord Jesus Christ the desire of all nations has come. The world needed a Saviour and it needs Him still. On the road to Bethlehem you will not meet Herod, King of Judea, nor Augustus Caesar, Emporer of Rome, but you will meet Wise Men. And this should remind us that all who are wise and all who seek salvation will bring to Him this season and through the year the gifts of worshipping, thankful and obedient hearts.

May God's Christmas gift to you of His abundant love, refresh and strengthen your heart and may your home be blessed with His perfect peace now and throughout the coming year.

Yours faithfully,
— Wesley B. Ball,
Pastor, United Church

Weir

Miss Joan Williams and Mr. Hugh Williams were here to spend the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams.

Mrs. Thos. Sinclair, of Rockway, was a recent caller at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett.

Mr. Victor Williams, of Montreal, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Williams.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Wm. Courtenay, in the passing of her husband at the Montreal General Hospital last week.

Among recent guests at Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Morrison's were Mr. Glen Morrison and daughter, Debbie, of Rosemere, and Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Val Morrison and family, of Shawbridge.

Mrs. W. H. Williams spent a few days in Montreal as the guest of Mrs. G. Cullen.

Services in the Church of the Redeemer next Sunday, December 24, will be Matins at 9.30 a.m. and Midnight Mass with Holy Communion at 11.30 p.m. Visitors are cordially welcome.

Greetings

Your local correspondent wishes the editor and staff, and all interested readers, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Thanks also to all those who phoned in their news during the past year.

Successful young Guernsey fancier

St. Philippe — Before the year ends, friends here would like to offer congratulations to a new exhibitor in the Guernsey classes.

Donald Carkner, 12 years old, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Carkner of Vankleek Hill; he attends school there and has joined the 4-H Club. Under the leadership of Mr. Farmer he entered his calf at the Vankleek Hill fall fair and won a 1st prize. He then entered in the Ottawa Winter Fair and captured 1st prize and Junior champion in the 4-H Class. His calf was Chatham Vale Joy. Born January 12, 1961, the calf was sired by Delvale Harwick Majesty, and the dam was Chathamvale Bonnie, bred by Black Bros., Brownsburg.

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Cushing

Mrs. J. D. Weir and sister, Miss Olive Hartley, of Montreal, were guests of Mrs. A. Taylor on Saturday; Mr. Ernest Hartley was also a caller at the Taylor home.

White Gift Service

The leader of the children in their White Gift service on Sunday was Mr. Bert Elliott. Raymond Coney read the Scriptures, and Catherine Bailey read the Story. Miss Joanne Taylor and Martha Vowles were on the platform assisting with the singing. Quite a number of White Gifts were placed in the receptacles and were forwarded this week to the Friendly Home in Montreal, for the children being cared for there by Mr. and Mrs. Raulson.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Samuel Willman, also to his sisters, the Misses Willman, of Calumet, in the sudden passing of Mr. Willman on Saturday night.

Miss E. M. Graham of Verdun, spent the week-end at Hillbank Cottage.

Mrs. I. H. Fuller visited her father, Mr. Wm. Bryerton, of Brownsburg Road, on Sunday.

Mrs. Jas. Coney and son, Raymond, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Elliott.

Miss F. M. Douglas was a guest on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, of Chatboro.

Mrs. Fleming-Williams, of Montreal, occupied "The White Cottage", which she and Mr. Fleming-Williams have rented from Miss Douglas; she returned to Montreal on Sunday evening to welcome her husband home from a sojourn in England.

Mr. Kenneth Weir, of Baie d'Urfé, visited his sister, Mrs. A. Taylor, on Monday.

Greetings

Sincere good wishes for Christmas and the New Year are extended by this correspondent to the editor of The Watchman and staff, and especially to Mr. J. S. Giles.

Lake Keatley

Mr. Norman Parent, of Montreal, recently visited "Oak Bend Cabin".

Miss Marilyn MacVicar and Miss Beth Hobner spent the week-end with the former's parents. Miss MacVicar is attending college in Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Heffernan spent the week-end at "Hidden Brook Cottage".

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones and family, of Thurso, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. David MacVicar.

Mr. Johnnie Russel, of Massena, N.Y., called on friends in this district.

Miss Enid Stewart, of Montreal, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stewart, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Watson, of Montreal, spent the week-end at their cottage here, and had as their guest Mr. Charles Watson.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to The Watchman staff and district readers.

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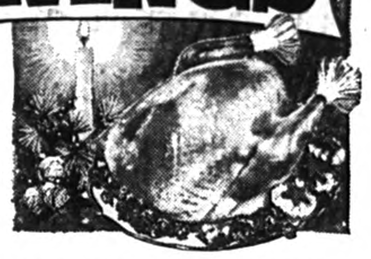
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Anglican Church
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ST. SIMEON'S, LACHUTE

10.00 a.m. Church School.
11.00 a.m. Carol Service.
11.30 p.m. Christmas Eve, Holy Communion.

Christmas Day
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

ST. GEORGE'S, BROWNSBURG

9.30 a.m. Carol Service

Christmas Day
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

ST. MATTHEW'S, GRENVILLE

11.00 a.m. Christmas Communion

HOLY TRINITY, CALUMET

9.30 a.m. Christmas Communion.

Celebrant at both services, Rev. W. C. LeCras

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. ANDREWS EAST
REV. WINTER LeCRAS

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Christmas Day
10.30 a.m. Choral Communion.

Margaret Rodger Mem'l Presbyterian Church
REV. JAMES ARMOUR, B.A.

9.50 a.m. Church School and Minister's Bible Class.
11.00 a.m. Communion.
2.00 p.m. Brownsburg, Christmas Service.
11.00 p.m. Lachute, Candlelight and Carol Service.

Everyone welcome!

Dalesville Baptist Church
REV. W. LORNE HISEY, Pastor

"Holding forth the word of Life"

Our Christmas Services

10.00 a.m. You are invited to our Bible School. Bring your Bible and all your family, for the study of God's word on this Christmas Sunday morning.

11.00 a.m. Morning Worship.

Do join us in this hour of praise, adoration and meditation.

You will enjoy the hearty singing of the Christmas hymns — the warm fellowship of God's people — and the plain Bible preaching of the Christmas message.

The pastor's subject will be — "EMANUEL — GOD WITH US"

All are heartily invited.

Brownsburg United
REV. W. B. ROSBOROUGH, B.A., B.D., Supply Minister
Mrs. C. J. Wheeler, Organist
Mr. G. K. Amos, Choir Director

10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. "THE WORLD'S CHRISTMAS TREE"
Baby Fold at 11 a.m.

Lakefield Services
REV. CANON C. W. P. BAUGH Rector

All Christmas services are being held on Sunday.
11.00 a.m. Lakefield
2.00 p.m. Shrewsbury
7.00 p.m. Dunany
8.15 p.m. Louisa
(No service Christmas Day)

Next week's services will be at the same time.

Brownsburg Regular Baptist Church
REV. GEO. HICKS, B.Th., Pastor

10.00 a.m. Bible School
11.00 a.m. Christmas Service.
Thurs., 8 p.m. Prayer Service
Annual Christmas gathering Friday, Dec. 22, at 7.30 p.m.

Lachute United Church
The church with the chimes
REV. WILSON BRIDGE, B.A., Minister

— Christmas Sunday —
10.00 a.m. Church School
11.00 a.m. Worship Service. "WHY DID JESUS COME?"
2.30 p.m. East Settlement
7.30 p.m. Candlelight Service.

Annual ceremony sponsored by members of the Canadian Girls In Training.

A special invitation is extended to all friends, old and new.

The minister at both services

People's Church, Lachute
(Associated Gospel Church)
753 Main Street, Lachute
REV. C. W. SORLEY, Pastor

9.45 a.m. Christmas film in the Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. "THE MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS"
7.30 p.m. "WHERE IS THE PEACE ON EARTH?"

Special music rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hardie and Mrs. Elsie Stephens.

SUNDAY, DEC. 31
9.45 a.m. Bible School
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship
7.30 p.m. Evening Service cancelled.
10.30 p.m. Watchnight Service

Meet the Lord at the beginning of the year.

May your New Year be a happy one!

Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Brownsburg
REV. R. L. McPHEE

9.45 a.m. Church School
11.00 a.m. "THE GOSPEL OF THE EPIPHANY"
7.00 p.m. CHORAL SERVICE

Wed., 7.30 p.m., Prayer Service.

A Watchnight Service will be held in the church on Dec. 31, for all wishing to bring in the New Year in the Lord's House. Time, 11.00 p.m. All are cordially invited.

Lachute Baptist Church
REV. W. L. HISEY, Pastor

Set for the defence of the Gospel

9.30 a.m. Our Bible School —

Parents — we invite you to make this your best Christmas Sunday! Bring all your family and your Bible, and study with us the story of the Saviour's birth. We have classes for all ages. All adults are invited to the pastor's Bible Class.

7.30 p.m. Evening Gospel Service.

Special feature — a choral reading by one of our Bible School classes, directed by Miss Annie Laurie Burke. Come and enjoy the Christmas music and the ministry of the Word. The pastor speaks on the subject — "GOOD TIDINGS"

Brownsburg Pentecostal Assembly
REV. JOHN C. SHRIER, Minister

10.00 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. "CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS"
7.00 p.m. "CHRISTMAS IN THE SPACE AGE"

Special Announcement

2.30 p.m. Grenville Service

Service to be held in the New Church on Highway No. 8.

Wed. 7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer.

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope."
— Romans 15.4.

Jehovah's first creation was his Son: "the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation by God," "the firstborn of all creation." (Colossians 1:15; Revelation 3:14). Before coming to earth he was known as the Word, or Logos.

Christ's Ransom Sacrifice

That his name might be vindicated, that His purpose regarding the earth might be realized, and that men who kept integrity might get life, Jehovah sent His Son into the world: "to give his soul a ransom in exchange for many," and to "bear witness to the truth." (Matthew 20:28; John 17:4; 18:37.)

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to establish it."

Christ Jesus put God's kingdom first. He counseled his followers to do likewise and taught them to pray: "Let your kingdom come. Let your will come to pass, as in heaven, also upon earth." (Matthew 6:10, 33; 13:44-46).

— Sent in by a Jehovah's Witness

Gift Sunday at United Church

Parents and friends of the Sunday School children filled the United Church last Sunday morning, for the annual White Gift Service, when gifts in money and in kind were received for the social and missionary work of the United Church of Canada. Prior to the service the Sunday School children brought gifts of food and toys, which were afterwards sent to St. Columba House, Montreal, a down-town mission which ministers to the needs of the poor and underprivileged families.

Members of the teen-age group were in the sanctuary, and the service was conducted by Robin Fraser, the Scripture lesson being read by Jimmy Noble, and the benediction pronounced by Alex Bridge. Rev. W. Bridge, minister of the church, preached on "The Challenge of Bethlehem, 1961".

A special part in the service was accorded to the primary children, about 80 in number, who brought forward their White Gift envelopes to be received by a small boy and girl holding a basket for this purpose in the chancel. Members of the senior choir gave a delightful rendering of "The Rocking Carol", Mr. L. B. Hopkins being at the organ console.

Annual meeting of Red Cross Soc. at Brownsburg

Brownsburg — The annual meeting of the Red Cross was held in the Social Club December 11, with Mr. Larry Pressault presiding.

Satisfactory reports were given in all departments of the work, including excellent reports from Mrs. F. Barker, convener of Women's Work, and Mrs. T. Tomlinson, convener of the Loan Cupboard. Mrs. Barker reported that eight shipments had been made to headquarters from February 7 to December 15, 1961, and contained the following articles:

596 Knitted articles — baby sweaters, bootees, children's socks and sweaters.

Donations, 2 pair of socks.

1,837 Sewn articles — layette towels, baby nightgowns and vests, blouses, skirts, baby blankets, diapers, combinations, overalls, knickers, face cloths, pyjamas and quilts.

Donation, 2 crib quilts.

16,177 Swabs were made for the Blood Transfusion Service.

Mrs. Barker expresses appreciation to all volunteer Red Cross workers in the community, whose faithful service made this effort possible.

Mrs. Tomlinson also reported a busy year for the Loan Cupboard; the following articles had been loaned — 8 beds, 11 wheelchairs, 4 canes, 7 pairs of crutches, also rubber, linen and enamel articles. Three new folding wheelchairs, 3 mattresses and 3 hospital gowns were received during the year.

Any of the above articles may be borrowed from Red Cross free of charge, by contacting the convener.

Mr. Pressault thanked all who had assisted in any way to make the work of this organization such a success during the past year.

The following officers were elected for the coming year. . ...

Hon. pres., Mrs. N. E. Smillie; pres., Larry Pressault; 1st vice-pres., G. H. Quinn; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Omer Legault.
Secretary, Mrs. Gordon Tomalty.
Treasurer, Mrs. Ross Keatley.
Campaign Chairman, J. D. Lepine.
Blood Donor Clinic, John Molloy.
Disaster and Relief, Roger Martel.
Loan Cupboard, Mrs. T. Tomlinson.
Veterans' Welfare, S. H. Stilwell.
Water Safety, J. Binner.
Women's Work, Mrs. Fred Barker.
Publicity, Mrs. Lloyd Roberts.

Directors — Mrs. Margaret Reid, Mme Dolard Charron, Mme René Lafleur.

Social and Personal

The Rev. M. B. Dwyer, parish priest of Grande d Boya, Dominican Republic, visited at the home of his brother, Mr. Thos. E. Dwyer, Bethany Road. Father Dwyer is on his way to Halifax, where he will remain until returning to the Dominican Republic next year.

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Miss Bessie Collett, of Montreal, was the week-end guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Wilson Bridge at the United Church manse.

The Bible Today

The New Testament is especially dear at the Christmas season. The story of the birth of Jesus and the attendant circumstances of the announcement by the angels to the shepherds, the star which led the wise men to the infant Jesus, and the lowly manger bed, have gripped the imagination and touched the hearts of millions of people since this great event took place.

The reading of the Scripture stories in churches and families around the world has always been a greatly loved custom.

The Christmas message is particularly appropriate in these troubled times. The prayerful song of praise of the angel host, Glory to God in the Highest, and Peace on Earth among Men of Goodwill, is a reminder to all humanity that God is interested in His world and His people. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to bring reconciliation into a strife torn world.

Services in Parish of Mille Isles

Christmas church services for the Anglican Parish of Mille Isles are listed by the rector, the Rev. H. G. Baugh, as follows:

Church of Saint Francis, St. Sauveur-des-Monts —
Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24 — Matins and Carols — 9.30 a.m.
Carols and Holy Communion — 11.00 p.m.
Christmas Day — Matins and Carols — 11.00 a.m.

Trinity Church, Morin Heights —
Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24 — Morning Prayer and Children's Service — 11.00 a.m.
Carols and Holy Communion — 9.30 p.m.
Christmas Day — Carols and Candle Service — 8.00 p.m.

Christ Church, Mille Isles —
Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24 — Carols and Holy Communion — 7.00 p.m.

Schedule of services for Week of Prayer

The Argenteuil Protestant Ministerial Association wishes to announce the dates of the Week of Prayer.

All services will be at 8 p.m., as follows:

Tues., Jan. 9 —
Brownsburg United Church
Speaker, Rev. K. Feltham

Wed., Jan. 10 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. C. R. Lang

Thurs., Jan. 11 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. W. Bridge

Fri., Jan. 12 —
Lachute Presbyterian Church
Service taken by Rev. C. W. Sorley

The speaker at each of these three services will be the Rev. Dr. C. Richie Bell, Professor of Pastoral Theology at the Montreal Presbyterian Theological College.

Sat., Jan. 13 —
Maple Ave. Baptist Church
Youth Service
Preacher, Rev. Wesley Ball, Morin Heights

It is hoped that the people of Brownsburg and Lachute will cooperate in attending these services.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Hay for the Christmas season are their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hay and infant son, from Ithaca, N.Y.; also Mrs. Elsie Prouse and Miss Cameron Hay, of Montreal, who are expected to arrive Thursday evening, and Miss Barbara Hay, student nurse at the M.G.H., who will be home for Christmas Day.

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Citizen Rereaved

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. S. L. Elliot, of Bedard Blvd., in the death of his wife which occurred at her home on Tuesday morning.

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Mr. Bob Giles, Jr., leaves Wednesday evening for Halifax to join his wife and daughter for the holiday season, visiting at the home of her parents.

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Well Known Couple Celebrate 50th Anniversary

The good wishes of many friends are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Kerr on the celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, December 20. A reception at their home, Kerr's Farm, Lakefield, was arranged by their family for Wednesday evening — many friends from near and far attending.

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L.O.B.A. Whist Party

The following were prize winners at the military whist party held in the new Orange Hall last Tuesday evening:

First — Mr. H. Carriere (captain), Mr. Thos. Brazeau, Mr. W. Walden, Mrs. R. Gain.

Second — Mrs. Thos. Canning (captain), Mrs. Thos. Brazeau, Mrs. H. Hammond, Mrs. F. Cousins.

Consolation — Mr. and Mrs. S. Dewar, Mr. W. Stewart, Miss G. Moncrieff.

The novelty prize was won by Mr. Neal Moore.

Refreshments were served in conclusion. Mr. Thos. Iddon conducted the card-playing routine.

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Handicraft Tea Successful

The handicraft tea and sale held in the Legion Hall December 7 by the CNIB, proved a successful venture. The Women's Auxiliary of the CNIB wish to thank all who attended, or who contributed in any way towards the outcome of this effort.

Ian Duncan, with the R.C.M.P. at Regina, arrives by plane Saturday for five days' Christmas leave. He will be met at Dorval Airport by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Duncan.

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Home from College

Five students arrived home Monday night from Mount Allison University, Sackville, N.B. — and were met at Dorval Airport by three of their respective families. The students home for the holiday season are — Sandra Kerr, Bryant Graves, Earl McCaskill, David Heggie and Brian Thomas (Grenville).

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Mr. and Mrs. Bain Beers and young son, Michael, of Ottawa, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beers.

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Frontiersmen O.C. Received Presentation

Col. and Mrs. Emmett attended a social function and presentation of the Westmount Division, Corps of Imperial Frontiersmen, held last week in Verdun, Que. A feature of this event was the presentation of awards for 15 years' service and over. Col Emmett, O.C. of the Frontiersmen in Quebec for the past 25 years, was presented with a handsome engraved wrist watch, and his wife received a bouquet of flowers.

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Club Members Entertain at Children's Parties

The annual Lions Club children's Christmas treat, for members and their young guests, was held Tuesday evening at the Legion Hall.

The Richelieu Club will entertain approximately 300 kiddies from less-privileged families of Lachute and Ayersville, at their annual festive supper this Saturday, in the cafeteria of l'Ecole Secondaire.

Knights of Columbus Council, 2752 held their children's party in the K. of C. Hall, Foundry (Lafleur) Street, last Saturday, when youngsters of the members' families enjoyed themselves and received a visit from "Père Noël".

APPRECIATION

I wish to express my sincere thanks to friends and relatives for cards, flowers, gifts and good wishes received during my stay in hospital.

1p — Andrew Nicoll

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DISTRICT NEWS
FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

St. Andrews East

Miss Patricia Liddell, of Montreal, spent the week-end with Miss Audrey Eaton.

Bereavement

Sympathy is expressed to Mrs. Jas. Sherriff and her two daughters, Mrs. Murray Bryson of Lachute and Mrs. Angus MacDonald of St. Andrews, in the sudden death of Mr. Sherriff last Friday morning.

Mrs. Jas. Burwash spent Thursday last in Montreal.

Mrs. Jas. Higgs, of Montreal, was the week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. G. A. Steeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Neven Hewton, of Beaurepaire, Que., visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Eaton on Friday.

Avoca

Sympathy is expressed to the widow and members of the family of the late Mr. Sam Willman.

Mr. Allan McPhee has once again returned from the Smith Clinic; he is much improved, although still in bed.

Mr. Gerry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Andrews, of Ottawa, visited in Avoca over the week-end. We are sorry to report that Mr. Geo. Andrews is in hospital, quite seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith and little son, Kelly, with Mrs. Geo. Kelly, visited Mr. and Mrs. James Bates in Lachute on Thursday last.

Cushing West

Greeting

Season's greetings to all, from your correspondent.

Achknowledgment

Mr. P. McLeod Foster, of Grece's Point, and his son, Ian McLeod Foster, of Kapuskasing, Ont., would like to thank friends and neighbors who expressed kind sympathy in their bereavement in the loss of their wife and mother — reported in October 25 issue of The Watchman.

Grenville

Miss Barbara Dewar, R.N., arrived last Sunday from Vancouver, B.C., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Dewar.

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Page and family, in the recent loss of their mother and sister. . . . Also, sympathy is expressed to Mrs. Sam Willman and relatives of the late Mr. Willman, who passed away suddenly Saturday evening in Calumet.

Good Wishes

The correspondent for this column takes the opportunity of wishing the editor and staff of The Watchman, and all readers of this column, a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Christmas Service to be Held In New Pentecostal Church

The new Grenville Pentecostal Church, on Highway No. 8, will be open for a Christmas service. This Sunday, at 2.30 p.m., the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Shrier, will conduct the first service in the church.

The official opening is planned for January 14, at 2.45 p.m., but services will be continuing each Sunday until then. A warm welcome is extended to the people of the community to attend any or all of these services.

Please watch for further notice regarding the official opening and dedication services. All speakers and other items of interest will be announced at a later date in this newspaper.

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Morin Heights

(Intended for last issue)

Mrs. Herbert Lacken spent a day in Montreal visiting friends.

Women's Institute

The Women's Institute held their meeting in the school cafeteria. After a very short business session, the entertainment committee took over and a Christmas party followed. The cafeteria was decorated for the occasion with a pretty Christmas tree and gaily decorated tables. Games were enjoyed, and gifts were exchanged with members and the many guests present. Delicious refreshments were served, and an enjoyable evening came to a close.

Funeral of Infant Boy

Sympathy of this community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alton Riddell and family, of Mille Isles, in the recent passing of their infant son, Mark Owen. The funeral service was held at the Mille Isles Presbyterian Church, conducted by the Rev. James Armour of Lachute, assisted by the Rev. W. B. Ball of Morin Heights United Church.

Mrs. William Agnew spent a few days in Montreal recently, visiting friends.

Saturday guests of Mrs. E. C. Fayet were Mr. and Mrs. George Manthorp and family, and Miss Jennie Fayet, all of Montreal.

The Sunday morning service was conducted by Mr. John Riegert in the absence of the minister, the Rev. W. B. Ball, who was confined to home for a few days with the 'flu.

Injured in Mishap

Friends of Peter Earle are sorry to learn that, while sliding recently, he met with an accident, and broke his leg. Friends wish him a speedy recovery.

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Rector Visited Florida

The Rev. Horace G. Baugh returned recently from a three-week vacation in Miami, Florida. During this time he attended the National Conference of the Mental Hygiene Association of America, spoke at the Phoenix Club, was a guest of the Men's Club of Miami, and was a visiting speaker at several of the large churches in that resort area, where he has made many friends since he first started visiting Florida four years ago.

Gifts to Church

Trinity Anglican Church has received the gift of a complete set of mauve hangings from the Altar Guild, and has also received a magnificent silver Communion set as a memorial from friends of the church.

HI, FRIEND!

Father to teen-age daughter's boy friend, who is holding a sandwich in one hand and a pop bottle in the other: "Glad to meet you, Herbie. I've noticed you in our budget for some time."

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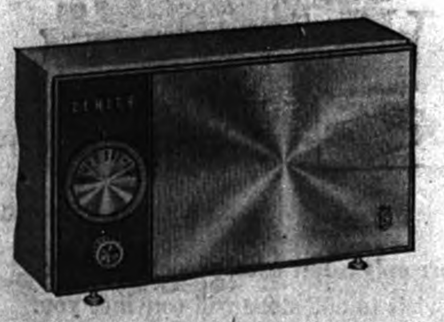
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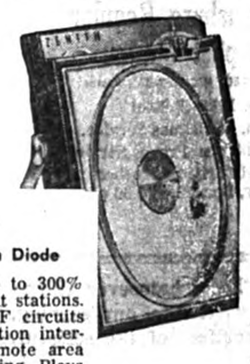
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Radio speaker

Commencing this Saturday, and every morning next week except Christmas Day, the Rev. Wilson Bridge will be heard on the 7.50 to 8 a.m. program "Plain Talk", from radio station CBM. The Rev. Mr. Bridge will centre his topics on Christmas and related themes, ending with a New Year message.

Name omitted

In the publication of an advertisement on oil deliveries last week by the Association of Fuel Oil Dealers of Quebec Inc. (Lachute Section) one member of this group was inadvertently omitted from the list of dealers, namely — Ian MacDougall Fuel Oils, R.R. 5 (LO 2-4834).

'Merry' raises question mark in writer's 10th perennial greeting

"Exile from Sunnyacres"

By Margaret Cook

I think this is the tenth year I have sat down to wish my readers a Merry Christmas. During the ten years, the writer has made the acquaintance of many people who have been kind enough to write or say that they enjoy the articles. I expect that remarks like this are always music in a writer's ear, and we are no exception. But we did not initiate this column to please people, so much as to record some of the impressions that the district around Lakefield has made on our plastic and frivolous mind. . . . If the articles have served to make people of the district more aware of their blessings, we are satisfied.

Before we go on to wish various people a Merry Christmas, let us examine that word "Merry". I began thinking about it earlier in the week, and decided it meant gay. And I could not think of one gay person! So, I consulted a library edition of Webster. He says, "productive of pleasure, delight, or happiness." Further on, "laughingly gay, overflowing with good humor". Still further, "given to, or marked by, gaiety or festivity, as 'I wish you a merry Christmas'." — That's for us. But I still seem short on gay persons. You think; do you know one gay person? We Canadians are not given to gaiety. When we meet a gay Canadian, he is nearly always of French extraction, and his English-speaking compatriots look at him askance. 'Tis a pity, for gaiety is infectious when it is natural. The Irish have a reputation for gaiety, but nothing could be further from the truth. They have their moments, but usually they are taciturn, morose, and even sullen. Wit, they have, and humor of a subtle kind; but gaiety, no!

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Well, now that I have convinced you that you are not merry, I have delight and pleasure in wishing all and sundry a Merry Christmas. It is not our custom to indulge in personalities in this column, but for once, I should like to be human, and name a few.

First and foremost — Congratulations, Good Wishes, and a Merry Christmas to Mr. and Mrs. Amos Kerr of Lakefield, who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on the day on which this article is available to the public. We have known this couple only 30 years, so we cannot tell you about the first 20. But the last 30 have been enough to convince the writer that the years can be productive of happiness and good. They have reared a family of six, of whom five are living. They have made a pleasant vacation spot for countless people who look on them as friends. Their influence in the community has always been on the side of righteousness. For many years, Mr. Kerr was mayor of the municipality of The Gore. The younger women in the community still look to Mrs. Kerr for example and guidance. If the world were full of families like the Kerrs — all would be well.

I should like to wish the present mayor of Gore, Mr. Herbert McDonald, a very Happy Holiday Season; and I include in that greeting all the other members of the council, who spend many hours of their time trying to improve conditions in The Gore. Several of these men have shown the writer and her family much kindness in times of trial.

I salute Mr. Edward Morrison and his sister, Miss Sally, both in their nineties. They are, we believe, two of the oldest living descendants of the pioneers of the district around Shrewsbury. We include in this group also Mr. John Good, who although not 90, is hoping soon to achieve that distinction, and is still living on the ancestral acres. All these people are pleasant to talk with, and patient with the writer when she asks her innumerable questions about pioneer days.

We wish Canon and Mrs. Baugh a Blessed Christmas, knowing it will be a busy one for them. They, too, have raised a large family, and can look back with pride on the years.

Then, there is Mrs. Chacksfield at Dalesville, who has so kindly written us to tell us of her pleasure in the articles. It seems when they hear a whippoorwill, they exclaim, "There's Mrs. Cook's whippoorwill!" This, because I once complained in the column that these birds seemed to have deserted Sunnyacres. This lady also telephoned. And what did Margaret Cook do? She ignored the lady's invitation. But some day, Mrs. Chacksfield, there will be a knock, and there we shall stand humbly begging admission.

And we must not forget Mr. Hyde, who hates us. A Merry Christmas, Mr. Hyde, and I have news for you. We are not rich. What is worse, we do not wish to be rich. The few people we know who really have pots of money, live much as we do, but are more worried. Our acres were open to the public for many years. We think now we are justified in closing them. But if Mr. Hyde comes and asks permission to hunt wolves at Sunnyacres, he will be given that permission. Leslie Kerr and I might even accompany him. If I have to snowshoe, I'd be happy in Leslie's company.

A special greeting to our fellow-columnist, Mr. Atchison, who has recently written us a kind message. We read his column with pleasure and understanding. I think we both have the same objective, the dissemination of knowledge of the foothills around Lakefield.

Undoubtedly, there are many more whom we should mention personally. That's the pitfall in personalities; one always forgets someone. Please, everybody, consider yourselves greeted by the writer of this column.

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There is just space enough left to remind you that Christmas is the feast of Christ, not of Santa Claus. Have a pleasant time with your families, enjoy your good food, but do not forget the One who stands and knocks. Open your door to Him, perhaps in the guise of a person who has little food or cheer. In the words of the Christmas carol —

"Therefore, Christian men, be sure,
Wealth and rank possessing,
Ye who now will bless the poor,
Shall yourselves find blessing."

Something new has been added in Ottawa area

Like a bouncing baby delivered by stork, Ottawa area's new radio station, CFMO-fm, began making itself heard this week, shortly after being built by helicopter.

With lung power of 146-thousand watts, CFMO sent out its first program at seven o'clock Monday morning, December 18. Engineers waited for reaction.

When it came it was pleasing to both the engineers and to the president of Ottawa's new "fine music" station, Frank Ryan. Listeners from 100 miles around the Capital reported they got clear reception of CFMO's distinctive programming.

Starting with its official opening, CFMO has remained on the air with 146-thousand watts on 93.9 megacycles, from 7 a.m. till midnight, daily. This will be the station's regular broadcasting schedule, seven days a week.

Mr. Ryan announced appointment of Sjef Frenken as manager of CFMO with Jack Thompson as sales manager. Offices are situated at 150 Isabella Street, Ottawa. The transmitter is on top of Skyline Ridge at Camp Fortune, Que.

Commenting on the new station's operation, Frank Ryan said, "Our new baby is different from the usual addition to a family because it can do more than entertain just its parents and relatives. This newcomer, CFMO, has been designed to provide the finest in entertainment for every fm-family in Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec."

Our Thanks and Good Wishes

Please accept our sincere appreciation of your friendship and support in all our endeavors, also our heartiest wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

From the Officers and Members of
Laurentian Lodge 943
and Loyal Orange Lodge 716

NEW YEAR'S EVE
TEEN-AGE BALL
(for ages 15 to 20)
Sponsored by ARGENTEUIL LODGE 67, Lachute,
to be held at the
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Saturday, December 30
from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight
Dress: Boys, Jacket & Tie — Tickets 75c each
Refreshments (No alcohol permitted on premises) Orchestra

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BILODEAU, Armand	238 Principale, Lachute	Dining Room
MALACKET, Gaétan	569 Main, Lachute	Restaurant
PARISEAU, Georges	563 Principale, Lachute	Grocery
BEAUCHAMP, Lucien	Ayersville	Grocery
SCHNUPP, Gérard	40 Durocher, Ayersville	Grocery
DENIS, J. Lucien	Brownsburg	Grocery
LECLAIR, Roland	Brownsburg	Grocery
OUELLETTE, Ludger	P.O. Box 79, Brownsburg	Grocery
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GAUDREAULT, Raymond	rue Principale, Carillon	Restaurant
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Season's Greetings from
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ON BETHANY ROAD — GASTON AMPLEMAN, PROP.

DISTRICT NEWS

Harrington

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Samuel Willman in the loss of her husband, who passed away at his home in Calumet last Saturday.

No service will be held in the Harrington United Church on Sunday, December 24. There will be a candlelight service at Kilmar United Church at 7.30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott MacLean spent the week-end at Thorold, Ont.

Mrs. Borden MacCullough spent last week-end in Montreal.

The Rev. Mr. Minor, pastor of the Pentecostal Church, and Mrs. Minor, have left to take over their new church at Enterprise, Ont.

The Rev. and Mrs. Harvey, with Mary and Thomas, of Napanee, Ont., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bennett. The Rev. Mr. Harvey conducted the Pentecostal service here.

Morin Heights

(Intended for last issue)

The Guild of Trinity Church held a successful afternoon tea and sale of home-cooking recently.

F/L and Mrs. Sydney Burrows and their daughter, Kim, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. David Currie, Town of Mount Royal, were week-end visitors of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gillingham.

Cindy Gillingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Gillingham, is presently a patient in hospital; friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. W. R. Bell attended the recent Grey Cup game in Toronto.

Sincerest Wishes are Extended
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Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Want or For Sale advertisements 15 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 75 cents, payable in advance; if billed $1.00 If replies are directed to the Watchman Office, 25 cents extra.
Payable in Advance.
DEADLINE, TUESDAY NOON
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For Sale, Miscellaneous

TOOLED LEATHER WORK — Ideal for gifts for any occasion, especially during the Christmas and New Year holiday season. — See H. P. Lecorre, at 607 Robert Street, Lachute. xx

BOY'S SKATES — for sale, size 7. — Tel. LO 2-2598. 1c

ATTENTION — For everything you need in furniture, TV, and accessories — call Guy Lafortune, LO 2-5288 (or evenings LO 2-4077). xc

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STAR TAXI — for sale, also 1961 Meteor (500). Best price offered; selling due to sickness. — S. Mott, Brownsburg; tel. LE 3-6677. 1p

BABY BEEF — for sale. We have a few choice Angus baby beef to put in your freezer. There is no substitute for quality. We kill and deliver. — Call MElrose 2-6035, or come in person and pick up your beef alive. — Weldehaven Farms Reg., Grenville, Que. 1c

'59 KINGSWAY — house trailer for sale, 36' x 10', fully equipped with restaurant furniture, good offer accepted. Easy terms. — For information call LO 2-2636. D20.zc

Articles For Sale

Washing Machine — Piano
Chesterfields — 2 Refrigerators
Wood Stoves — Television Set
All these used articles are in good condition.

J. Roger Lamarche
Main Street, Lachute
LO 2-2462

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Snowblower with Motor.
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J. W. DAVIS
St. Jerome Road, Lachute.
(LO 2-2282 or 2-4472)
1c

Help Wanted

GIRLS OR LADIES — between 16-32, earn more money for Christmas, work 4 hours a day, morning, afternoon or evening. Only requirement needed is a pleasant telephone voice. For immediate employment phone Mr. Rondeau, LO 2-8484. 1c

YOUNG MEN — between 19-25 wanted for delivering sales invoices in Lachute and district. Only requirement needed, must own car and be bilingual. For immediate employment — phone Mr. Ray, LO 2-8484. 1c

Wanted to Buy

WANTED — Thomas' History of Argenteuil. — Tel. LO 2-2494. x

For Rent

HEATED BUILDING — to let, 40' x 40' floor space, suitable for warehouse, garage, or could be converted for other use. — Tel. LO 2-5231, or LO 2-5680, evenings. xc

DWELLINGS FOR RENT — now available. — Apply Deacon Enterprises Ltd., 260 Main St., Lachute; tel. LO 2-2448 between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. xc

FOUNDRY ST. — for rent, remodeled dwelling, living room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, available Jan. 1. Also dwelling of 3 rooms and toilet. Also premises to let for store or beauty parlor, and another site suitable for barber shop. — Apply Philippe Desjardins; tel. LO 2-5921. xc

Farms Wanted

WANTED — Wish to purchase farm in Grenville district, by monthly payments. — Write full particulars and price, to: 2124 Addington, Montreal 28, Que. D20.3c

Properties for Sale

For Sale or Rent:
HOUSES — businesses, summer camps, etc., in Lachute and vicinity; easy terms. Also lovely building lots with up to 5 years to pay. For selling or renting —
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Miscellaneous

MAGAZINES FOR CHRISTMAS— the year-round gift. — Phone Ann Gorman, LO 2-2229, or write 110 Cottingham Blvd., Lachute. xx

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Flowers
Paul Einar Nursery
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Lost & Found

HEIFER — 1½-year-old, black and white, strayed away during the past few weeks, in Vide Sac vicinity. Any information please call — Herman Latreille; tel. LO 2-4286. 1p

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Payable in Advance.
Deadline, TUESDAY noon.
Notices of Entertainment, Concerts or Meetings, etc., 15 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 75 cents, if billed $1.00.

FISHING CONTEST

Fishing on the ice is now open at Fernand Ouellette's, L.O.C. Road, La Baie. Fishing contests every Saturday and Sunday. $5 prize for the biggest fish caught. All welcome. xc

ORPHANS' PARTY

The party of the year, at the Flamingo Hotel, Brownsburg, Friday, Dec. 22. Noise-makers, balloons, hats, door prizes ($100 value), floor show. Adm. $1. 1c

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PUPPIES FREE — to good homes. — Call Reg Dunnage, LO 2-5048.

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Mylene Demongeot, Michael Craig
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— in Color
Christopher Knight, Venetia Stevenson —
Studs Lonigan
Saturday, Children's Matinee
COWBOY

Sun., Mon., Tues., Dec. 31, Jan. 1-2 —
Brigitte BARDOT
Antonio Villar—
LA FEMME ET LE PANTIN
— CinemaScope, in Color
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— CinemaScope, in Color
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King of the Roaring Twenties

Lions Club Skating Rink



Activities and Highlights of the Week

Lachute District Minor Hockey League Standings

	P.	W.	L.	T.	F.	A.	Pts
Peewee —							
Ayers	4	4	0	0	14	3	8
Lowe's	4	3	1	0	8	4	6
Legion	4	1	3	0	2	8	2
Canadians	4	0	4	0	3	12	0
Bantam —							
Lowe's	4	3	0	1	17	5	7
Boyds	4	1	1	2	1	3	4
Legion	4	1	2	1	6	13	3
Ayers	4	1	3	0	5	8	2
Midget —							
Legion	4	4	0	0	12	3	8
Quenneville	2	1	1	0	4	6	2
Maroons	2	1	1	0	3	3	2
Loisirs	4	0	4	0	1	8	0

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Results of Games Played Saturday, December 16 —
Peewee —
Lowes Shamrocks 5, Legion 0
Ayers 5, Canadians 0
Bantam —
Boyd's 0, Ayers 2
Lowes Shamrocks 7, Legion 3
Midget —
Loisirs 1, Maroons 2
Legion 6, Quenneville 2

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Skating Rink Members, Please Note: It would be appreciated if all last year's badges would be returned for re-numbering and reissue. Our stock is very low at the present time, and badges are required for issuing to new members.

Lachute scenes from early days, at Rotary Club

At last week's meeting of the Brownsburg-Lachute Rotary Club, Rotarian Reg Rigby showed the members some slides that he has collected, depicting Lachute in its early days.

Some of the views showed Main Street when it was still just a dirt road, and the old C.N.R. railway bridge which spanned the North River just north of the present Barron's Bridge. Others were of Barron's and Fish's bridges when one had to take the team of horses across at a walk; of the old C.P.R. railway station which was just beside Bethany Street at the present crossing. Dr. Rigby also had in his collection a picture of one of the first maps of Lachute, and about the only thoroughfares shown on it at that time were Main and Bethany Streets, and the few houses and commercial buildings which were then erected. He also had several pictures of old churches formerly in and around Lachute, including the Mackie Church which was in the Protestant cemetery in the East Ward.

To many of the members it was their first acquaintance with the changes that have taken place in Lachute, and Dr. Rigby should be very proud of such a fine pictorial collection.

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Latest statistics on Rotary International show that (as of November 27) there are 11,078 clubs and an estimated 512,500 Rotarians in 124 countries and geographical regions. New clubs since July 1, 1961, totalled 76.

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Merry Christmas
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5-PC. CHROME KITCHEN SET	$89.	Special $49.
7-PC. CHROME KITCHEN SET	$149.	Special $99.





	Model	Reg. Price	Tessier Price
STEAM IRON	IS-12T	$19.95	$14.95
DRY IRON	IB-32	$13.50	$10.25
TOASTER	TP-22M	$26.50	$19.95
COFFEE MASTER	HP-39	$29.95	$22.50
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Christmas Edition
Section 2; Pages 1-8
December 20, 1961

The Lachute Watchman

Progress spelled in printer's ink—

Highlights of the neighborhood news recalled from year's prosaic pages

— Extracts from Watchman files of 1961 —

JANUARY

Jan. 5 — Avoca post-office closed at year's end. Allan McPhee had been postmaster for over 42 years; and his father for 20 years before him.

Jan. 5 — K. A. Billingham installed as Master of Argenteuil Masonic Lodge.

Jan. 5 — Donald M. Hay is third-generation president of Agricultural Society.

Jan. 5 — Jessica Lynn, six-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Humphries, Brownsburg, killed in highway spill at St. Hermas. Several members of the family injured.

Jan. 9 — Dr. F. W. FitzGerald, one of the best known citizens of Lachute, died suddenly.

Jan. 18 — Mayor Antoine Paré re-elected in Village of St. Andrews.

Jan. 18 — Costly blaze at cement-block plant in Whisselltown.

Jan. 18 — "C-I-L Today", depicting Brownsburg ammunition plant, shown in film to 900 employees and special presentations, French and English, at Legion Hall, Brownsburg.

Jan. 18 — Ayers ski centre, a new venture at Pine Hill, proves a popular spot.

Jan. 25 — Gaetan Leclair new president of Chamber of Commerce.

Jan. 25 — J. O. Martell installed Legion president for 1961, and Mrs. Wm. Bradshaw president of Auxiliary.

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FEBRUARY

Feb. 1 — "Recollections of Cushing — life and industry on Front of Chatham" is subject of an article contributed this week by W. Arthur Weir, Ottawa.

Feb. 1 — Fernand Legault, Q.C., elected mayor of Lachute, defeating his opponent, Dr. R. A. Dumais.

Feb. 1 — Delegation headed by Rodrigue Durocher sees Works Minister René Lévesque on possibility of a bridge across the Carillon Dam.

Feb. 1 — Zotique Guibert, 54-year-old Montrealer residing at St. Andrews, fatally injured in rock blast at Quebec Hydro site, Carillon.

Feb. 8 — "Open house" for public inspection held at Ayers Woollen Mills; gesture marking "Textile Week in Canada".

Feb. 8 — C.N.I.B. presents seeing-eye dog to sightless County resident. . . . (Dog subsequently stolen, but later recovered and restored to owner.)

Feb. 8 — Ayrshires being exported from this area to Cuba syndicate.

Feb. 15 — Four Lions Club trophies presented to young winners of public speaking and agricultural contests.

Feb. 15 — Fifty-six coroner's cases reported for year 1960.

Feb. 22 — Hospital affairs under frank discussion at packed meeting of Chamber of Commerce and interested citizens.

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MARCH

March 1 — R. Pelletier, director of Quebec Federation of Fish and Game Associations, addressed angling enthusiasts at the Argenteuil Fishing Association.

March 1 — Power and telephone linemen battle damage in wake of a fierce week-end storm.

March 1 — Six-year-old Jean-Louis Larocque killed by an automobile on the Lachute-St. Andrews road. Accident verdict given.

March 8 — Mme Alfred Deslauriers, Lachute resident, attains her 101st birthday.

March 8 — Civic election day in Lachute changed from February to November.

March 8 — Nine-year-old André Loyer rescued by Francois Leduc and Jules Laurin, after crashing through river ice near the J. C. Wilson Co. dam.

March 15 — Dr. Jules Lafleur, prominent figure and former mayor, dies suddenly.

March 15 — Fire destroys factory of Tru-Craft boat works between St. Andrews and Carillon.

March 15 — Contract for land-clearing on the Ottawa north shore, Carillon to Grenville, awarded to Arnold Farms Ltd. for $59,000.

March 15 — Audience packs Legion Hall for Lions Club annual oratory contest. . . . Miss Liane Robillard (Lachute) and Andrew Seary (Brownsburg) later qualify for finals in Dixie, suburban Toronto — in which Liane placed second.

March 22 — St. Patrick's Parade, March 18, features bands, riders, tableaus and old-vintage cars.

March 22 — Charities Campaign total ($11,391) fell $4,000 short of objective for 1960.

March 26 — Popular schoolbus-taxi driver, Danny Bryson, of St. Andrews East, drowned through ice on the Ottawa River.

March 29 — Jacques Lariviere, Quebec Hydro lineman, recovering from fall of 28 feet from a pole on the Carillon project.

APRIL

April 8 — Lucien Campeau, 37, of Chute-à-Blondeau, killed in auto spill at Simon's Crossing.

April 12 — Town Council votes $2,000 grant for proposed Richelieu Club swimming pool.

April 12 — Dr. J. A. MacKimmie and Dr. R. Lavigne appointed joint district coroners.

April 16 — Change-over to dial phone in Arundel area.

April 16 — Cancer campaign launched with 150 volunteers under chairmanship of Jim McOuat and Dr. E. Mongeon; objective $5,000.

April 16 — Dedication of new parish church at St. Andrews, replacing structure destroyed by fire in December 1958.

April 19 — Philippe Valois, advocate and former M.P., appointed joint County Registrar.

April 19 — Ernest Gow elected president of Home and School, succeeding Mrs. John Thorpe.

April 19 — Postmaster General, Hon. Wm. Hamilton, speaker here at Quebec Division conference of the Canadian Postmasters Association; 265 persons in attendance.

April 24 — David Batty, seven-weeks-old child at Morin Heights, found dead from suffocation. Accidental death pronounced by coroner.

April 26 — Plea for deep water navigation facilities on Ottawa River waterway pressed by Paul Labreche, St. Andrews East, speaking before Montebello Chamber of Commerce.

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MAY

May 1 — Rally launches 14th annual Community Concerts campaign — chaired by Mrs. Fernand Legault, president.

May 3 — Irving Sport Wear fashion show is highlight of Lions Club ladies' night at the Golf Club chalet.

May 3 — Lachute High School girls' choir of 32 voices, under Mrs. A. M. Rigby, ranked second in "school choirs, open", at the Quebec Music Festival.

May 3 — Boom-Boom Geoffrion guest at father-and-son hockey banquet held by Legion Branch 70.

May 3 — Civic reception for Hon. René Lévesque, Minister of Natural Resources, on visit here as patron at Young Liberal Association dance.

May 3 — Inter-school oratory contest held at Brownsburg under auspices of the Argenteuil Teachers' Association.

May 10 — School growth in spotlight. Watchman devotes a page this week to progress and building-plans for Lachute High School.

May 10 — Miss Mary Kilgour and Mrs. Herman Zimmer, at Brownsburg, presented with Red Cross service awards.

May 10 — Three armed thugs robbed I.G.A. foodliner in early Monday morning hold-up; haul reported several thousand dollars.

May 17 — Youth technical school for Argenteuil urged in resolution at 41st annual convention of County W.I. branches — Mrs. Sharman Doig presiding.

May 17 — Rev. Mark Beaufoy, Montebello rector, appointed warden of Montreal Diocesan College.

May 17 — Second annual art show sponsored by the "Centre d'Art", Lachute. Mayor Fernand Legault honorary patron.

May 17 — Gaetan Paquette re-elected mayor of Ayersville, defeating ex-Councillor Maurice Dumas.

May 24 — Canal workers — Wesley Morrow, master lockman, and Léon Dicaire, carpenter — receive long-service decorations from Government.

May 17 — Bicycle tests for young riders co-sponsored by Chamber of Commerce and police department.

May 24 — Sod-turning ceremony for Richelieu Club swimming pool, Lachute.

May 24 — Finale of junior hockey season: young champs and their trainers feted at Lions Club supper.

May 25 — Argenteuil School of Ballet presented fourth annual recital.

May 31 — Legion 70 played host to three-day convention of Quebec Command, 29th annual provincial assembly.

May 31 — Retiring teachers, Mrs. Ruth Graham and Mrs. M. McDonell, honored by School Commissioners at gathering in Lachute High School.

JUNE

June 7 — Rotary Club members tour Carillon hydro project, concluding with dinner at St. Andrews Golf Club.

June 8 — Oldest known resident of district, Mme Lucien Larocque, 103, died at St. Andrews.

June 10 — Rodrigue Durocher honored by Liberal friends on his 50th birthday.

June 10 — Large cavalcade of sightseers travelled the "Front of Chatham" in a tour organized by the Argenteuil Historical Society.

June 14 — Local Toastmasters play hosts to Montreal and St. Eustache groups at Pruuli's Farm, Dalesville.

June 14 — Diocesan Catholic Women's League entertained in Lachute for sixth annual convention.

June 14 — Hon. L.-P. Cecile, Q.C., guest speaker at Mille Isles Regional Chamber of Commerce convention, held here.

June 14 — Hon. Bona Arsenault, Minister of Lands and Forests, visits Harrington Forest Farm; presentation to farmer delivering one-millionth cord of pulpwood purchased by C.I.P. Grenville Woodlands Division since 1952.

June 14 — Police Chief and five officers resign as sequel to a bachelor celebration deemed immoral by protesting Catholic organizations.

June 21 — Lachute Spring Fair '61 soared to high peak of public satisfaction.

June 17 — Argenteuil Art Association held fifth annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Vivian Walker, Carillon. Mrs. L. T. Porter elected president.

June 28 — Rural Bar Association delegates, headed by Fernand Legault, Q.C., confer with Premier Jean Lesage at Quebec.

June 28 — Over 60 members of Argenteuil Art Association visited "Montigny", the stately home of Madame Westcott Papineau at St. Placide.

June 28 — Petitions received by Town Council for re-instatement of police force.

June 21 — Article in this issue pays tribute to Shrewsbury pioneers, Edward Morrison and John Good — recalls interesting facts in founding of the settlement and of St. John's Anglican Church.

JULY

July 1 — Opening of new Richelieu Club swimming pool on Paquin Avenue.

July 1 — $40,000 blaze razes business and residential premises in the Jos. Dubé building at St. Andrews.

July 5 — Foul-play victim, Emile Jolicoeur, 27, of Montreal, found in the bush near Kilmar.

July 5 — Three arrested, one with gunshot wound, after break-in and theft at Stonefield.

July 5 — Jas. W. McGibbon enters his sixth term as chairman, and 16th year as commissioner, on the Protestant School Board.

July 6 — C.L.G.U. ladies' (Silver Division) golf tournament held here.

July 15 — Historical Society plays host to descendant of the last Seigneur of Argenteuil County, Sir John Johnson, on visit here from England.

July 19 — Bank of Montreal appointment of lady official, Miss Lulu Miller (as accountant-in-charge at Ayersville branch) is the first of its kind in the bank's history.

July 15 — René Laberge, 60-year-old Montrealer, suffered epileptic fit and fell into the Ottawa River from a motorboat at La Baie; accidental death by drowning.

July 19 — Felix Touchette elected mayor, in a spirited election for St. Jerusalem councillors.

July 19 — A. J. Whiteway hired as police chief in the Village of St. Andrews.

AUGUST

Aug. 2 — Four-bandit bank hold-up stirs serenity of Arundel. Hoodlum fatally shot by B. of M. manager Chas. Farran.

Aug. 2 — Mrs. Frank Maycock, 47, of Whitby, and René Simard, 26, of Alfred, Ont., victims in two fatal auto accidents — one east of Lachute and the other near Avoca — last week-end.

Aug. 2 — Traffic Sgt. Albert Legault, of Brownsburg, earns retirement after more than 30 years' service.

Aug. 2 — Peter Wockner, two-year-old youngster, drowned at Lake Louisa.

Aug. 9 — Brenda McGibbon, Brownsburg High School pupil, among top-ranking students in the provincial exams, with 90.2%.

Aug. 9 — Lachute and St. Andrews enter agreement on police radio communication service.

Aug. 16 — Hawkesbury celebrates arrival of gas service with gift pancakes, steaks and 10-gallon hats.

Aug. 16 — Ronald Clark, 21, of Upper Lachute, badly burned by high-voltage contact on P.E.I. construction job.

Aug. 16 — Over 30 boys from Ayersville Air Cadet squadron on two weeks' summer training at St. Johns Air Force base.

Aug. 18 — G. H. Scarborough, 40, of Lachute, dies of injuries sustained in a car accident on a montée between Carillon and Grenville.

Aug. 23 — Search directed here for child missing from Buckingham, Que.; believed seen in Whisselltown.

Aug. 23 — Labor agreement signed between Ayers Ltd. and Textile Union.

Aug. 23 — Mrs. Janet Wilson is hostess of "Welcome Wagon" service adopted in Lachute and Brownsburg.

Aug. 23 — Omer Renault, 54, Ste. Scholastique farmer, fatally crushed between a tractor and hay wagon.

Aug. 24 — Rotary Club visits C.I.P. forest farm at Harrington.

Aug. 27 — Lucien Dinel, 64, of Calumet, drowned in the Grenville canal.

Aug. 30 — Phillips police agency engaged here on a permanent basis with signing of a one-year contract. . . . Jean-Louis Hebert, a native of Plantagenet, later announced as chief of police.

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SEPTEMBER

Sept. 5 — Col. E. Emmett heads Lions Club reassembled for new season.

Sept. 6 — District councils represented at discussion on Regional Police suggestion; meeting held at St. Andrews.

Sept. 13 — Thorny problem solved. Garbage site finally removed from Brownsburg Road to St. Jerusalem farm property.

Sept. 13 — Light Horse Association formed. First show, at exhibition grounds, on October 7.

Sept. 16 — 4-H Achievement Day successful event at fair grounds.

Sept. 20 — Study of maps and terrain convinces research team on site of Dollard Des Ormeaux battle, 1660.

Sept. 22 — 160 Employees out on strike at Dominion Ayers Wood Products. (Strike continues, with picketing of plant, up to December 4.)

Sept. 27 — Canadian champion at Macdonald College in 1960, Albert Raymond, of St. Benoit, carries Canada's hopes to world championship plowing match near Paris, France.

Sept. 30 — Mr. A. F. Hanly re-elected president of Argenteuil Historical Society.

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OCTOBER

Oct. 3 — Starting ninth year at Lachute United, the Rev. Wilson Bridge and Mrs. Bridge feted by their congregation on silver wedding anniversary. The Rev. Mr. Bridge has also been 25 years in the Protestant ministry.

Oct. 4 — Gilbert E. Ayers, industrialist, named a director of Canadian National Railways.

Oct. 4 — Timber to be cleared on land to be flooded between Grenville and Hull, following organized representation of Valley municipalities.

Oct. 10 — 75th Anniversary of cartridge works, now C-I-L Ammunition Division, at Brownsburg.

Oct. 22 — Memorial unveiled at St. Simeon's Church to the Rev. Richd. Bradford, first Protestant clergyman in the Ottawa Valley.

Oct. 25 — Adhémar Cuerrier, prominent in Chamber of Commerce and community affairs, moves to Verdun, Que.

Oct. 25 — New district substation near St. Jerome is significant in Gatineau Power service expansion.

Oct. 26 — Civic elections held here, the first since changing of date from February to October.

NOVEMBER

Nov. 1 — Cpl. Aimé Bertrand, Q.P.P., transferred to Montreal, succeeded at local headquarters by Cpl. Maurice Dinelle.

Nov. 4 — 16-year-old Lachute youth, Jean Mainville, killed by tree at family cottage bordering North River here.

Nov. 8 — Rally and supper for annual meeting of Long Sault District Council. Keen enthusiasm evident in district Boy Scouting; J. W. Humphries new president.

Nov. 11 — Two-months-old baby burned to death in farmhouse fire at Ste. Scholastique.

Nov. 11 — Leo Charette, 30-year-old Lachute man engaged on Quebec Hydro construction, lost his life in 85-foot fall from dam.

Nov. 15 — Quebec Hydro dismantling old residence and forge at Bayside Farm, Cushing, for historical preservation.

Nov. 22 — By-law adopted to borrow $570,000 — largest loan in history of this municipality — removes last formalities to water filtration project, long needed in Lachute.

Nov. 20 — Bill Gunn, 41-year-old Lachute resident, killed by four bullets while woodcutting in the bush at Mount Maple.

Nov. 20 — Student for the priesthood at Pte. au Chene Seminary, Robert Ouellette, 15, killed in hit-and-run accident while walking at the side of the highway.

Nov. 25 — Aimé Pilon, 70, killed while crossing highway near St. Philippe.

Nov. 29 — Ayersville pressing demand for "tutelage" of its finances by Quebec Department of Municipal Affairs.

Nov. 29 — Legion Branch 70 fittingly celebrates its 25th anniversary and pays honor to charter members, at supper gathering in Masonic Hall. . . . Branch takes over sponsorship of Boy Scout movement in Lachute.

Nov. 29 — Hormisdas Malette retiring after 49 years' service at local C.P.R. depot.

Nov. 29 — New business, Golfer's Motel and Voyageur Dining Room, opened on Bethany Road, extending development of town in Golf Club area.

DECEMBER

Dec. 6 — Two Anglican clergymen of the County honored this week — the Rev. W. C. LeCras for 19 years' chaplaincy service to St. Mary's Hospital, and the Rev. H. G. Baugh for consistent support in district Girl Guide activities.

Dec. 6 — Perley inter-provincial bridge being raised, prior to flooding of Ottawa River above the new Carillon Dam.

Dec. 6 — St. Martin man, Arnold M. McGregor, arrested in Ontario and held in Montreal in connection with fatal shooting at Mount Maple.

Dec. 6 — Mansiel R. Wilson continues in role as Long Sault District Commissioner for Boy Scouts

Dec. 9 — Brownsburg Legion Branch 70 celebrates its 25th anniversary.

Dec. 13 — Dr. Jean-Paul Dorion new president of Richelieu Club for year 1962.

Dec. 13 — Braille checker-boards presented by Lions Club to CNIB, for use of sightless residents.

Dec. 13 — Subject Promotion, new curriculum system, for trial on a three-year basis next September at Lachute High School.

Dec. 17 — Santa Claus parade organized by Ste. Anastasie Loisirs for enjoyment of young townsfolk.



"As long as Christmas . ."



Throughout this Holy Season may the Spirit of the Christ Child abide in our midst — to rekindle family loyalties, to gladden the welcome of friends, to rejoice the hearts of children, to confirm the hopes of the aged, to soothe the pains of the sick, to ease the grief of the sorrowful — and to bring peace to all men of goodwill.

As long as Christmas thaws the springs of kindness and brotherhood, wintered until then — We can have faith.

As long as Christmas touches the angularities of existence with warming memories and deep sentiment in the hearts of men— We can live with hope.

As long as Christmas makes home more precious, friendships more cherished, and children dearer — We can trust in the power of love.

As long as Christmas gives birth to reverence and humility — We shall not lose awareness of the good, the beautiful and the true.

As long as Christmas lays bare the divine yearning of God, become flesh at Bethlehem — We need never despair of the possibilities housed in the human soul.

As long as Christmas haunts us with a sense of incompleteness, the broken lives of men will heal and the warring wills of men prophesy a path to peace.

On behalf of my wife and myself, our best wishes to one and all — A Happy Christmas !

— W. M. Cottingham

A Yuletide Message



It is fitting that your Mayor, like the head of a large family, should, on the occasion of Christmas and New Year, offer his best wishes to all the citizens of the Town of Lachute.

These wishes are coupled with thanks for the co-operation and understanding shown by all the citizens of this town, in the solution of the problems that have arisen during the year 1961.

May Divine Providence again bestow a blessing upon this town, and upon each and every one of its citizens — and, with Tiny Tim, let me say, "May God bless us, every one".

— Fernand Legault, Q.C.
Mayor of Lachute.

To fellow citizens and County residents ...



Sincere greetings to my fellow citizens in this constituency, and my warmest wishes for the New Year, 1962.

J. O. Latour
M.P. for Argenteuil - Deux Montagnes

EDITORIAL NOTES...

"In this Parliament are three Estates, the Lords Spiritual, the Lords Temporal and the Commons, but in the Reporters' Gallery yonder sits a Fourth Estate more important far than all."
— Edmund Burke

Roll-call – meet our friends

CHRISTMAS comes but once a year. We welcome this occasion to bring to our readers the good wishes of their Watchman contributors, and to express their kindly feelings at this season. — This we do but once a year.

There are several columnists who fit consistently and comfortably, like old shoes, into the theme of our pages, and we take occasion to re-introduce both those appearing in this festive edition and others heard from in the year.

Among old-timers on this editorial page is G. E. Mortimore, our newspaper confrere on the Pacific Coast, a family man right down to earth, whose insight into human character plays a spotlight on commonplace traits we seldom think upon. . . . Ambrose Hills ("Of Many Things"), out west with his prairie city commentary, brings home more truths in man's behavior, individual and collective — a true philosopher. . . . And our own Uncle Walt reveals his happy outlook in light humor, also with a spice of philosophy; and by the way, his fan mail is not the least of his rewards.

Bob Atchison, veteran outdoorsman, also adds his regular column, familiarizing townsfolk with the ways of wildlife, and fearlessly agitating for safety, sanity, conservation and kindliness.

In the section devoted to women's and home interests, we bring you greetings from Margaret Cook, whose seasonal sentiments from Suburbia and the beloved hills of Argenteuil, are a joy to many readers. Mrs. Cook has just completed the writing of a novel, with a County locale, in her own happy style and pleasing prose. . . . And from Nancy Cleaver (wife of the Rev. Arnold Mathews, a boyhood resident here) we bring you "For Parents Only". Mrs. Mathews writes from her Winnipeg home, imparting a wealth of lore and experience in the upbringing of a true Canadian family. . . . On this same page, Edna Blakely contributes "Teatime Topics", syndicated by Canadian Press especially for the weeklies, and Carol Lane, travel consultant for Shell Oil, gives practical tips for women drivers. . . . Finally, Dorothy Barker, the Vagabond, similary imparts the joys of travel in her "Diary", a volume of impressions from across this broad land.

Members of the local clergy, too, bring greetings and messages in this issue. We commend to our readers these timely thoughts.

A less frequent visitor appears in our pages this week in the person of an old resident, Norman Thorburn. This writer periodically joins our contributors with an article of rich local interest, often involving an amount of research in the traditions of this countryside. . . . Of similar interest are occasional stories by Ethel Kettyle; although not in this issue, Mrs. Kettyle shares with our readers from time to time the scenes and celebrities encountered in her travels, and sentiments in verse. . . . And again this Christmastime, a poem by Janet Pollock Graham, whose collection grows both in quality and stature, and enjoys increasing attention.

To these may be added many others, who write in more prosaic vein on the news of their community from week to week. We would mention Art Philipps, spokesman for Legion Branch 70; Mervin ("Mick") Cowley, on the civic and school affairs of Brownsburg; and our district correspondents. . . . We pay homage to their loyalty, and present them to our readers now in the true spirit of friendliness and service which inspires their regular efforts. Last of all, the members of our own staff who keep you abreast with municipal, police and club affairs. . . .

From one and all we relay the season's greetings, and their appreciation for such cooperation as you, the public, may extend.

The first Canadian carol

THE FIRST Canadian Christmas Carol was written, according to an old Huron document, by Jean de Brebeuf. In the year 1642 de Brebeuf wrote: "The Indians have a particular devotion for the night that was enlightened by the birth of the Son of God. They built a small chapel of cedar and fir branches in honor of the manger of the infant Jesus. . . . Even those who were at a distance of more than two days' journey met at a given place to sing hymns in honor of the new-born child."

In the Indian wars of attrition, the Hurons were badly mauled by the Iroquois and the few Huron survivors, in 1650, moved from around the Penetanguishene area, to Lorette in Quebec. Here one of de Brebeuf's hymns, "Jesous Ahatonhia," was preserved by the remaining members of the tribe. The music is a sixteenth-century melody and is said to have been sung in France to a carol called "Une Jeune Pucelle". English-speaking people will remark, with interest, its similarity to the opening phrases of "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen".

The following interpretation is by the late J. E. Middleton. It was written to provide English-speaking Canadians with an opportunity to sing the first Christmas carol ever heard in the Province of Ontario.

'Twas in the moon of winter time when all the birds had fled,
That Mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead.
Before their light the stars grew dim,
And wand'ring hunters heard the hymn:
Jesus, your King, is born; Jesus is born;
in excelsis gloria!

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender Babe was found,
A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped His beauty 'round.
And as the hunter braves drew nigh,
The angel song rang loud and high:
in excelsis gloria!

The earliest moon of winter time is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on the helpless infant there.
While Chiefs from far before Him knelt,
With gifts of fox and beaver pelt.
Jesus, your King, is born; Jesus is born;
in excelsis gloria!

O children of the forest free, O sons of Manitou,
The Holy Child of earth and heav'n is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant Boy,
Who brings you beauty, peace and joy.
Jesus, your King, is born; Jesus is born;
in excelsis gloria!

The true meaning of giving

"AND OPENING their treasures they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."

It may seem a far cry from the gifts of the Magi to the infant Jesus, to gifts beneath the Christmas tree in the Canadian home. It is a long road, indeed, yet the underlying motive of both acts is the same.

Love of its nature demands sacrifice. And love demands expression of itself to the beloved — by words, by deeds, by gifts and tokens of affection. The gift is a visible sign from the giver of his regard, his affection and love for the one to whom the gift is given.

Our modern and plenteous age has widened, and perhaps diluted, the habit of gift giving at Christmas time. But the true significance of the gift remains the same.

At times we place mental price tags on our gifts — both those we give and those we receive. The big gift, the expensive gift becomes our objective.

The best cure for that is to attend a school or Christmas party, or any old Christmas party for youngsters. Watch the little ones, the pre-schoolers and the first grade pupils when they receive their gift. It may be a tin whistle or a doll's apron, yet for the little ones there is as much pleasure in receiving that as in getting an intricate expensive jet toy.

From the wee ones, God's chickadees, we learn anew the true significance of giving.

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Over the Years

— with —

THE LACHUTE WATCHMAN

75 YEARS AGO

Friday, Dec. 3, 1886 —

Miss Sproule, the teacher of Hill Head school, aided by her pupils and friends, gave a successful concert Friday evening.

Quite a raid has been made by our town policeman on sleighs without bells — and properly so, as many accidents may thereby be avoided.

Total valuation in the west ward is now $182,000 and the population 595.

Annual election of officers for Argenteuil Masonic Lodge took place in the lodge room in Lane's Building in the west ward.

There is some talk of agitating for a drill hall and armoury in Lachute, to accommodate two companies of the 11th Rangers.

The congregation of St. Simeon's Church presented their incumbent, the Rev. Mr. Sanders, with a purse of money at the year's end.

55 YEARS AGO

Friday, Dec. 7, 1906 —

Lakefield — Mr. James Dawson met with a fatal accident, being killed while cutting down a windfallen tree.

St. Andrews — A warm welcome is extended to one of the former townsmen of St. Andrews, Dr. B. N. Wales, who has given up his practice in Sherbrooke for the purpose of returning to his native village.

Mr. Thomas Barron has been confined to the house with a badly bruised face, the result of a kick from his horse.

Men are busy installing culverts that will drain the north side of the track, to prevent miniature regattas in the spring.

Mr. Nat Copeland, just returned from San Francisco, Calif., has been appointed caretaker of the Lachute Academy.

25 YEARS AGO

Thursday, Dec. 3, 1936 —

It was passed by Town Council that Fire Chief Geo. Y. Deacon be paid $300 for his services, to include all chimney fires, $300 for rental of the heated fire station, and $400 to be divided among the firemen.

A rally of the Anglican Young People's Associations of this Deanery was held at Trinity Church, Hawkesbury. Mr. R. Sancton, president of the Local Council, led musical diversions with his agile accompaniment at the piano.

King Edward VIII, beloved of the Empire, has renounced the British throne, for personal interests.

Miss Jean M. McOuat and Miss Hannah E. Rogers have qualified in exams for Registered Nurses of the Province of Quebec.

Adolphe Raymond has opened a new cash meat market for his son, René-Paul, next to McFaul Bros. Store in the west end.

Georges H. Héon, B.A., LL.M., attorney at law. Beneath Desjardins Hotel, Main Street, Lachute. (Advt.)

Gérard Raymond, advocate and barrister. Office now in Montreal, at 276 St. James St. (Advt.)

Normand Lafrance, St. Canut farmer, was exonerated by a coroner's jury in the fatal shooting of Adrien Bolduc, 23, of Ville La-Salle, one of three men engaged in a wood stealing expedition.

CHOOSING THE LOG

Because they believed that the Christ Child had been washed and dressed at Bethlehem beside an ash wood fire, early English people always had Yule logs of ash wood. The log was kept burning during the 12 days of Christmas.

Oak, pine, olive were Yule log sources in other European countrie. In Scotland, the choice was birch.



Of Many Things

— By Ambrose Hills —

PRINTING THE CHRISTMAS EDITION

As I write this column the weekly newspapers across the land are busy putting together their Christmas issue and it is easy to imagine the madhouse in the back room. TV dramatists who want to picture the excitement of newspaper life ought to forget the big dailies and visit a weekly newspaper when the Christmas issue has to be prepared, together with countless special job printing orders and the regular issue of the paper. Some papers use color for the special issue, and that further complicates the process.

Finally, when Christmas week comes, out goes the paper. Everybody in the shop, from the High School apprentice, the linotype operator, to the editor (who has hustled about like a clucking hen through it all), sighs with relief and waits — waits just a bit wistfully to see if their hometowners appreciate the job.

I'm here to tell you that they do. And the out-of-town subscribers appreciate it too. I continue to get the old hometown paper, and I like the Christmas issue even more than I did when I was a lad. I read the advertisements — where local merchants wish me Merry Christmas in pretty darn fancy prpse that I suspect was clipped from somewhere, and over which the typesetter probably said some untinselly blankety-blanks. And I get the glow that I know they want the people to get — and I know that merchants really mean it, too, because you simply can't succeed as a merchant in a town unless you have some sympathy with its people.

I suppose there might be one or two cynics in the community who will see all the advertisements and exclaim, "It's all so horribly commercial!" Nuts to them — if they only knew the slim revenue involved in printing a community weekly, they'd choke on that word "commercial."

Fact is, the Christmas issue ads are only adding to the everyday business of the community some of that aura of friendliness and goodwill that is essential to the good life. There's not a merchant in the lot who expects to make a dime as a result of his Christmas ad; he simply thinks he ought to wish the folks well at this time of year.

The Christmas issue of your weekly paper is a doggone nuisance to print. It upsets routine and usually loses the publisher money in spite of all the ads. It never comes out as fine as the publisher planned or the staff intended. But there's a lot of community heart-throb in it and if you don't appreciate it, you need a visit from Christmas Past, Christmas Future — and I wish you a very merry holiday in Christmas Present.



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With G. E. Mortimore

Christmas was more fun when my two boys believed in Santa.

Michael, aged six, had implicit faith in Old Whiskers up to last year, and even John, aged eight, was able to look at the jovial masquerader and hypnotize himself into a Christmas trance.

But they have changed. At the mention of Santa, both children break into crooked, worldly grins.

It seems to me that (in spite of Dr. Brock Chisholm) they have suffered no real harm from lifelong exposure to the Santa Claus myth. And it seems to me that every child should be vaccinated with some disillusion, just as children are vaccinated with smallpox.

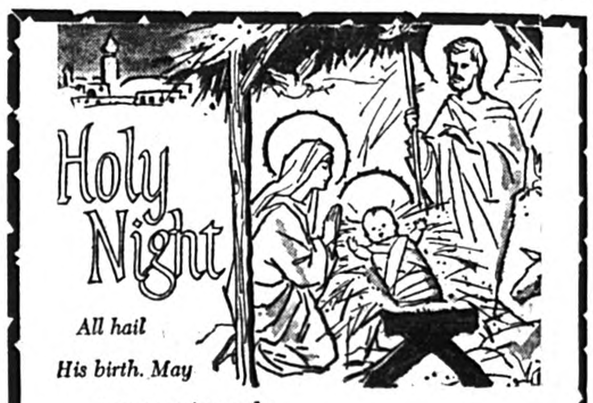
Recently I followed my sons through a large toy department, batting down their hands as they grabbed at model jetliners, electronic football games, tin trains, and plastic replicas of the launching pads at Cape Canaveral.

The boys gazed cheerily at the store Santa Claus — regarding him as a beloved, but rascally, old friend. I marvelled at the rapt look that I saw on the face of a tiny boy who rushed forward, piping "Santa, Santa!" It was the same look that my boys used to have.

I looked in vain for the toy lie detector which I had seen listed in a magazine as one of this year's toyland sensations.

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YULE BURNS BRIGHT

The French traditionally exchange gifts on New Year's Day, but the burning of the Yule log at Christmas is an honored custom in many parts of the country. After carols are sung, wine is poured on the log by the youngest child.



Prayers

BLESS US ALL . . . Christmas prayers below stockings hang for Santa Claus to fill—this is a touching scene, oft repeated during the holiday season. Along with the request for a wagon or a doll, there's usually mention of blessings for "mom and dad—and everyone."

Evergreen Wreath Easily Made From Wire Hanger

A wire coat hanger, a few sprigs of evergreen and a few minutes of your time—that's all you need to fashion a decorative evergreen wreath.

Leaving the hook at the top, simply fashion the hanger into a round ring. Fasten the evergreens to the ring with heavy thread and a large needle.

Sprinkle the evergreens with aerosol snow before hanging the wreath.



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Christmas COMES TO US

Do we come again to the season of Christmas . . . or, does the Christmas come to us?

Christmas comes to us, as always. All we need do is wait. Pretty strings of lights appear along Main Street. Store windows seem to come alive with thousands of toys and gifts and most desirable things. Up and down most any street in town, merry, many-colored windows reflect the spirit of warmth that is so much a part of the season.

Soon we begin to receive cards in the mail, from folks around town, from relatives, and a few from once-dear friends we lost somewhere in the past.

Begrudgingly at first, then with mounting enthusiasm, we undertake the obligations of meeting our own gift and Christmas card list. We begin to feel an inner glow, a sense of fellowship with the world—and by the time the holiday arrives, we are really glad it's Christmas!

Yes, Christmas comes to us, whether we like it or not. We cannot escape it.

But, do we really come to the spirit of Christmas when Christmas comes to us? Not if our celebration of Christmas begins and ends with the program outlined above.

Pretty lights that twinkle and glow; pretty cards from friends new and old; is this the purpose of Christmas?

Gift giving—trying to remember everyone who is likely to remember us; is this enough when Christmas comes?

Christmas brings to each of us the opportunity to share in the most magnificent moment of all time—the birth of Jesus Christ, the Redeemer, the Savior of all mankind.

Yes, Christmas comes once a year, with all the outward trappings we have come to know so well. Yet it is for nothing—unless each individual heart comes again to be filled with the true spirit of Christmas; the realization and appreciation of the fact that on this day God sent his only son to save the world.



When angels sang their song of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men, it was the dawning of the first Christmas!

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Be Certain You Display A Safe Tree

What kind of a tree is best for you this Christmas?

A SAFE tree, of course.

Whatever variety of tree you choose this year, be sure that it is freshly-cut, with firmly attached needles. When you select the tree, strike the ground with the thick end. If a shower of needles fall, the tree has been cut too long and will not last for long.

Keep It Fresh

Do not buy your tree until you are ready to decorate it; if you do buy it early, keep it outside. It will stay fresher and will remain green longer after you have put it up. Keep it standing in water at all times.

Select the setting for your tree with safety in mind. Locate it in the coolest part of the room, well away from radiators, heaters, and the fireplace. This not only reduces the chances of fire, but as well assures longer life for the tree, as heat dries the tree quickly.

Use Tree Holder

A tree holder is a good investment if it has a bucket of water in which the trunk can rest. The ability of the tree to absorb water will surprise you, so be sure to check contents of the bucket often.

Do not use any kind of paper decorations on your tree. Use decorations made of glass, metal, or fire-resistant materials.

Use only electric lights on your tree—and check them thoroughly, particularly if they have been stored since last Christmas. Sets with frayed wiring invite disaster.

Provide Switch

Provide a switch some distance from the tree for turning the tree lights on or off. If connection is located behind the tree, you may not be able to reach it in an emergency.

Inspect the tree frequently. If needles near lights start to turn brown, change position of the lights. When needles begin to fall freely, it's time to discard the tree.



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From the Mayor and Council of Brownsburg



May New Year's Day bring, to each one, new hope in brighter skies of 1962. May the dawn of the New Year dispel all shadows on your personal horizon, assuring you happiness, and the fulfilment of your aims. . . . Happiness in peace — the real peace, of inner contentment.

On behalf of the Council and myself, I extend sincere wishes for a year of progress and prosperity to all. May Divine Providence bountifully bless the good people of our community.

— J. René Lafleur
Mayor of Brownsburg

wonder QUESTIONS ?

ANSWERED BY THE RESEARCH SERVICE OF THE BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

I WONDER . . . Curiosity is a priceless gift. A youngster's daily questions indicate a bright, inquiring mind. They should be answered intelligently. In this column each week the editors of this newspaper, in cooperation with The Book of Knowledge, will print those questions — and the answers — most frequently asked by children of their parents.

When I walk in a moving train, do I move faster than the train?

The answer to the question is "yes", if you are walking in the direction in which the train is going. But if you are walking from the front of the train to the back, then you are moving more slowly than the train. There can be no doubt about it, for you can prove it by trying.

If two of you got into the back of the train when it started and one of you walked right through the train to the front, then when the train stopped, he would get out on the platform much farther forward than the other. He would have travelled farther in the same time than his friend and farther than the part of the train his friend was in, and thus farther than any part of the train. He has added his own movement compared with that of the train to the movement of the train compared with that of the earth.

The earth is moving too, and if the train is moving on the earth in the same direction as the earth is moving, then the train is moving faster than the earth. And if you are walking from the back of the train to the front, you are travelling faster than the train, and still faster than the earth. And if a fly is walking across your cheek from your ear to your nose, it is travelling faster than you, or the train, or the earth!

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What is a "shooting star?"

Far beyond the earth's atmosphere, a great many pieces of stone and metal, called meteors, travel through space at tremendous speed. We never see meteors unless they come in contact with the layer of air around the earth and are set on fire by friction. Then we see them flash across the sky as "shooting stars". Most of them burn up completely, but sometimes, a solid piece will reach the earth. Such a piece is called a "meteorite". The largest meteorite ever found was made of solid iron and weighed 60 tons.

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Why do I shiver when I am cold?

When you eat and digest food, it becomes fuel for the body, creating heat and energy. If you get too hot, the pores of your skin will open, allowing heat to escape in the form of perspiration. Should you become cold, the pores of your skin will close to retain body heat. Sometimes the pores close tightly so that "goose-pimples" are formed on your skin. Then you may shiver. When you do your muscles go to work, without you really doing anything about it, and "food fuel" stored in the body is consumed to make the extra heat you need.

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Readers are invited to send their own questions to WONDER Questions. The more interesting questions and answers will be published in a future column. — Write: Grolier Society Research Service, 800 Bay St., Suite 104, Toronto 5, Ont.

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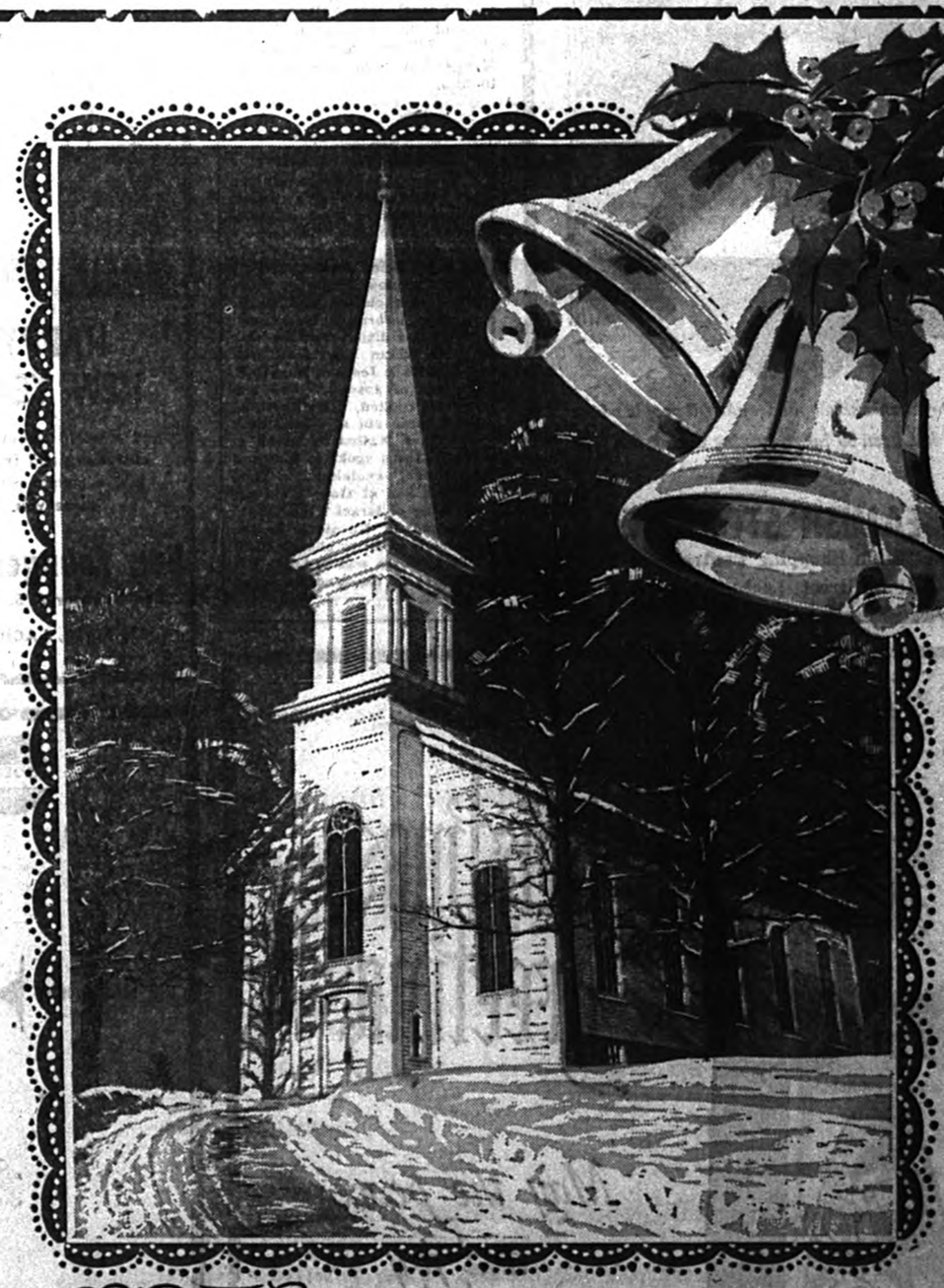
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SPANISH CHILDREN SEEK MAGI

In Madrid, Spain, it has long been the custom, say Encyclopedia Americana researchers, for men and boys bearing torches, bells and tin cans to go out to the city gates to meet the Magi. When children complain they do not see the Three Kings pass by, they are told the Kings pass behind the mountains.



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Yule riddle links Santa and pawnshops

What is the connection between Santa Claus, the custom of hanging up Christmas stockings, and a pawnbroker's sign of three gold-colored balls?

A Scrooge might say that the answer to the Yuletide riddle is that Santa Claus would need help from a pawnbroker, to pay for filling all the stockings — but Scrooge would be wrong.

Both Christmas stockings and pawnbrokers' signs are traditions that come from legends about the first "Santa Claus" — St. Nicholas, bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor — according to the Encyclopedia Americana.

This early Santa was known far and wide for his generosity. And, so the story goes, he wanted to help a merchant who had lost all his money and had no way to provide dowries for the marriage of his three daughters.

Like Santa today, St. Nicholas wanted to be a generous but secret giver. When the oldest daughter was old enough to marry, he went at night to the merchant's house, with a bag of gold.

Some legends say he threw it through the window, and others that he threw it down the chimney. At any rate, the oldest daughter had her dowry and was able to marry.

St. Nicholas repeated the process for the second, and then the third, daughter. The third time, the merchant watched to see who brought the gold and told the story of the good saint's generosity.

According to legend, one bag of gold fell into a stocking hung up by the chimney to dry, and thus began the custom of hanging up stockings to be filled with gifts.

Pictures of the saint show him with the three bags of gold.

Bankers in Northern Italy took him as their patron and used the sign of three gold balls. Because bankers lent money, the sign later became associated with pawnbrokers, and today this custom still continues.

HELPED CAROLS

Martin Luther, the Reformation leader, felt that group singing in churches was important and did much to help spread the custom of carol singing. He composed a carol, "From Heaven Above I Come to You," and "Away in a Manger" is sometimes attributed to him.



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ABOUT NAZARETH

Nazareth, the chosen city and one of Christendoms holiest places, was once so insignificant that the term "Nazarene," was applied to Jesus Christ in derision. When Jesus called his first disciples, Philip of Bethsaida was chosen and Philip happily informed Nathanael, "We have discovered the One about Whom our scriptures speak. He is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael replied, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" But when Nathanael came to Jesus, Jesus spoke to him and Nathanael exclaimed, "Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel." Nathanael returned to Nazareth in the company of a few chosen disciples as Jesus was to begin His ministry in the land He loved so well.

May the peace and joy of Christmas abide with you -

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Christmas QUESTIONS?

1. Which state has a town named Santa Claus?
2. In which state is the town of Christmas located?
3. Legend says that the crown of thorns was plaited from which Christmas plant?
4. For how long has Christmas been observed on December 25th?
5. Which U.S. President forbade use of Christmas trees in the White House?
6. Who arranged the first manger scene, or creche?
7. "Buon Natale" means "Merry Christmas"—in which language?
8. A mistletoe arrow served as an instrument of evil in Norse mythology. What were the circumstances?
9. Seven states boast a city named Bethlehem. Can you name them?
10. In which country is Lucia Day observed?

ANSWERS

1. Indiana. 2. Florida. 3. Holly. 4. Since 354 A.D. 5. Teddy Roosevelt, who later relented when convinced selective cutting would not destroy forests. 6. St. Francis of Assisi, who used live models. 7. Italy. 8. Loki killed Balder, the sun god, after Loki's mother had secured a promise from all living things, other than mistletoe, that they would not harm her son. 9. Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Maryland, and New Hampshire. 10. Sweden.



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The Great Divide

Specially contributed by the Rev. C. R. Lang

High up in the Canadian Rockies there is a spot called the Great Divide. There, a mountain stream is divided by the height of land, one part flowing east with the Atlantic Ocean as its final destination, the other flowing west to the Pacific.

The First Christmas was the great watershed of human history. The birth of Christ was so great an event that it became a new pivot for reckoning time. It divided history into "before" and "after" His coming. From that point the stream of the centuries took a new direction, and everything took on new life where that stream flowed.

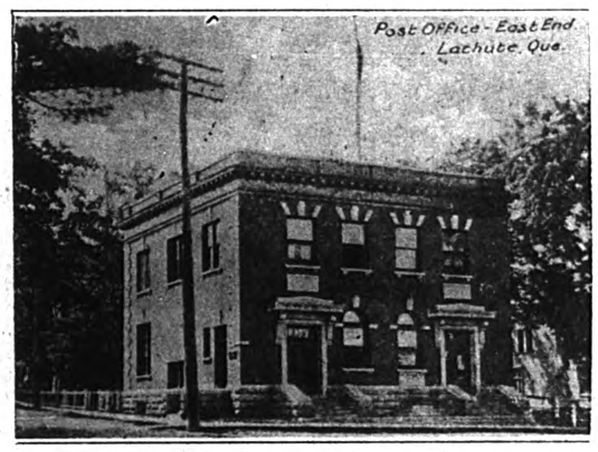
The late Rev. R. G. MacBeth of Vancouver wrote, "The fairest flowers of civil and religious freedom have been irrigated into beauty along its banks, and, through its quickening power, trees of life have put forth their leaves for the healing of the nations. Whenever, at any period in history, people have erected dykes of materialism against the beneficent stream of Christianity, their land has lost its luxuriance to become dust and ashes".

As unconsciously as we employ the year of the birth of Christ to date our documents, so in our daily lives we benefit by relationships and influences which come from His teachings, and seldom realize it. Our world today is in danger of losing much of this by sheer indifference. We so often grasp for the fruit and neglect the vine. . . . Let us, by all means, endeavor this Christmas to grasp its real meaning and make it our own.

The living, Invisible Christ is ever seeking a home, not in our churches alone, but in the heart and life of each one of us.

"O Holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in;
be born in us today.
We hear the heavenly angels
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel."

With every good wish for Christmas and the New Year.



Flash-back – former post-office

This is the post-office corner looking up Bethany Street, as it appeared around 1910-20, with entrance to Customs & Excise at the side door. This fine building was constructed in 1907 by O. B. Lafleur & Sons, whose place of business was on Foundry Street (present Farmers' Supply Co.). The price was $14,900. The firm of J. P. MacKimmie also entered a tender for the construction.

It is interesting to note that the Hugh Gall property on which this was built, extended originally in a direct line from the Au Gai Temps restaurant to Muir's Service Station, and this generous frontage (which would now be worth a very substantial figure) was given in order that the town might straighten the main thoroughfare.

The new post-office was built in 1955, and the above building, revamped and adjoining the present post-office, provides accommodation for National Employment and other federal departments.

ANIMATED CARDS

Ingenious mechanical devices were used to animate early Christmas greeting cards, much as they are today. The symbols of Christmas — the robin, Santa Claus, holly, mistletoe and carolers — first became popular on cards of the Victorian era.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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One of the most beautiful of the legends associated with Christmas is that of the Christmas rose.

According to the story, Madelon, the child of a shepherd, saw the Wise Men pass toward Bethlehem, laden with gifts for the Christ Child, and she wept because she had no gifts to offer.

An angel appeared before her and asked, "Why do you weep?"

"Because," Madelon replied, as she brushed away her tears, "I have no gift for the Christ Child."

"A gift of the heart is best of all, but I will give you something to carry to the manger," and with this the angel disappeared, and in the same spot there appeared a beautiful rose, filled with white blooms.

Madelon gathered the blossoms and joyfully went to Bethlehem. At the manger, she stood in the background as the Wise Men offered their gold, frankincense and myrrh. She hesitated, doubting that her small gift would be acknowledged or appreciated.

Mustering her courage, she stepped forth and lay the roses before the Christ Child. Immediately, the flowers turned from white to a most beautiful pink, the first Christmas rose.

"Getting Ready for Christmas"

Specially contributed by the Rev. Wilson Bridge

What does it mean to be ready for Christmas? . . . Does it mean getting the shopping done, the gifts bought and wrapped, having the Christmas cake and the plum puddings made, and the mince pies in the freezer? If that is what is meant by "being ready for Christmas", then I am afraid some of us will have to confess, "We are not ready!"

Of course, all this is part and parcel of the lovely customs surrounding Christmas, but surely there is more than this to "getting ready for Christmas"! What does it mean then, to get ready for Christmas?

It means that we are getting ready to celebrate Christ's birthday. One would gain the impression from seeing some people getting ready for Christmas that it was their own birthday they were celebrating! Their emphasis is on what *they* will get.

On that first Christmas the Wise Men were not celebrating their own birthday; they were celebrating the birthday of Jesus. They brought Him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. It was a time of "giving", for God had given to the world His best gift, His greatest gift — His own Son.

For centuries Christmas has been the season for the giving of gifts. I believe that our ancestors must have received the idea of "giving" from God Himself. Graciously He gave on the night of the first Christmas, and because *He* gave, we also give.

This Christmas you will most likely be giving gifts to your friends and loved ones. I wonder if you would mind if I ask you a question: *Is God — who should be your dearest Friend — on your Christmas gift list this year?*

If you should choose to ask me, "What gift does God want?" then I feel I cannot give you a better answer than one I found a short time ago in a book of Daily Devotional Readings. It is a prayer for Christmas Eve, and it is the shortest and simplest prayer in the whole book. Here it is: "O God, on this Christmas Eve, I give in response to Thy gift — *I give myself!* It is all I have, but it's Thine. — Amen."

That is the gift that God really wants. He wants that gift on Christmas Day; He also wants it on the day before Christmas, as well as on the days after Christmas. When you give yourself to God, you cause more "glory to God in the highest", and you make room for more "peace on earth among men of goodwill."

"It is Christmas on the highway,
In the thronging busy mart;
But the dearest, truest Christmas
Is the Christmas in the heart."

Here is the gospel account of what happened on the night of that first Christmas of long ago, as told by St. Luke (Ch. 2:7): "And she (Mary) gave birth to her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." Thus in simple language, and in thirty words, the most important birth in history was recorded.

Strange as it may seem, the first announcement of our Lord's birth was made by a member of the angelic host, to a group of shepherds in the upland country near Bethlehem. It was an event so stupendous that God's angelic messengers were marshalled to bring the message to men on earth. Christmas means that the mighty power of God came to earth in the form of human flesh, with the one answer that will make human lives complete. "For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11).

When the shepherds journeyed to Bethlehem to see Jesus Christ on His birthday, they knelt down before the manger and worshipped Him. . . . Getting ready for Christmas means getting ready to meet with God, who was made known to us in Jesus Christ. We call it "The Doctrine of the Incarnation". At one great moment in time God came into the world, took upon Himself the flesh of a little child, and walked the ways of men.

And since "the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us", we are assured that sin will not be allowed to have the last word in our world. The fire of divine love which our Heavenly Father sent His Son to kindle on the hearth of the human heart, will not be blown out. Even though it may be very late in the eleventh hour of human history, it is not too late for us to turn back to Bethlehem — the "Bethlehem beyond despair". We have only to go and give Him the trust of our tarnished lives, to believe in Him enough to obey Him, and we shall receive from Him the Christmas gift of eternal life.

Airlines Promoting Shop In Europe Trip

In the way of an unusual pre-Christmas gift, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines seeks to popularize Christmas shopping Europe, suggesting that husbands send their wives to do Christmas shopping tax-free in Amsterdam, Holland.

Dramatic? Sure, says the airlines, "but it only costs $359.60 round trip and since shopping seems to be one of the major loves of American women, why not?"

The airline spokesman says that things are cheaper in Europe and that a smart shopper can save enough money to pay for the trip.

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Today is the day of the
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The Watchman will fire me,
The others won't hire me —
Next week I may be in the
bread-line.

They said I'd have to write a
verse
In keeping with the Christmas
Season,
My reputation I will lose —
My memory has blown a fuse —
They won't take that as an excuse,
And I'll be shot for treason.

I've tried to think of something
new,
In keeping with the Yuletide
custom,
Like mistletoe above the door,
Or carols sung in days of yore —
That stuff has all been done
before —
These poets! You can never
trust 'em.

That thing I'm using for a face
Now has a doleful, sad expression.
I've thought of sleighbells, snow
and holly,
Of lighted homes with children
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But there is nothing new, by
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jokes —
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story!

Be seein' ya!

— Uncle Walt

CHRISTMAS 1492

First Christmas in the New World was celebrated in 1492 by Christopher Columbus and his crew, who were dinner guests of an Indian chief, ruler of the island of Haiti.

Legends tell about hymn

Stories and legends surround most of the modern ways of celebrating Christmas — and sometimes there is more than one version of a story — such as the story of "Silent Night" and how the song came to be written.

Joseph Mohr, village priest of Hallein, Austria, wrote the words, and his organist wrote the music, probably adapted from a melody by Michael Haydn. On this point, most sources seem to be agreed.

What inspired Father Mohr to write the words is another story — or another two stories.

One version, say researchers for The Book of Knowledge, is that Father Mohr was called out into the snow on Christmas Eve of 1818, to bless a newly born baby in the home of one of his poorest parishioners.

He was so filled with the spirit of the season and the simple beauty of the mother and infant that when he returned to his study he wrote the poem, "Silent Night." Before Christmas Day was over, his organist had written the music.

Other versions have it that the church organ had broken down (impaired by mice, one story says), and the people were saddened because there would be no music for Christmas Day. Shortly before Christmas, Father Mohr wrote his poem and Organist Gruber the music.

At midnight mass, the people sang "Silent Night" — with a guitar accompaniment.

PINATA SCRAMBLE

In Mexico and other Latin American countries, the breaking of the pinata is a traditional Christmas custom. Earthen jars are filled with toys and sweets, covered with colored papier-maché figures and hung in an open space.

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HEIGH-HO! THE CHRISTMAS HOLLY!

Once upon a time 'twas believed it brought pleasure not only as a festive decoration, but inwardly, as a medicine for fever, etc.

By Juliet Shelby

IN PARTS of England and Germany, red-berried species of *ilex*, the plant that has been the most popular Yuletide decoration for centuries, are referred to as "he" and "she." Those with heavily-spined leaves are known as "he" hollies, while the smooth-leaved kinds are associated with the gentler sex (naturally). It is thought the types brought in for Christmas determine who is to be head of the household for the coming year.

The so-called Scotch-Irish who migrated from



Louis Prang & Co., founders of greeting card industry in U.S.A., had Santa as bearer of holly via a bike on one of its earliest offerings, in cycle era.

Ulster to Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, western Virginia, the Carolinas, and Georgia in the 18th century, cherished this custom and added to it the belief that if any holly branches were brought indoors in fair weather, the wife would rule the household, whereas if they were cut and brought in during a storm, the man could be master for the coming year.

The decking of places of worship and homes with holly and other evergreens at Christmas antedates Christian worship. During their Saturnalias or winter solstice festivals, ancient Romans ornamented their temples and dwellings with green boughs. Among the Druids of ancient Britain the holly was regarded with almost as much reverence as the mistletoe. It was a pagan belief that many sylvan spirits or wood sprites were homeless and cold when winter bared most trees of leaves. Therefore, it was thought that by giving the sprites shelter during that season the sprites, in turn, would bring the house good fortune in spring and summer. To entice them indoors, holly (symbolic of peace and joy) was hung over doors and in windows.

While "holly" may appear a corruption of the word "holy," the name derives from the Old English *holen* or *holegn*, term for the genus of shrubs and trees identified now as *ilex*.

The fact that early ecclesiastical councils repeatedly issued bans against ornamentation of churches and homes with greenery in the manner of the pagans indicates the refusal of many Christians to yield to authority in this respect. Eventually the custom along with others of a similar origin was accepted by the Church. There was realization that use of flowers and green boughs as a means of decoration is almost instinctive in human nature; that there was scarcely any nation, civilized or savage, where it was not a practice. The Jews employed greenery in their Feast of Tabernacles, in the month of September. Besides the Druids, other Celtic nations hung up the mistletoe and green branches of different kinds over their doors, to propitiate the woodland sprites. Similar customs prevailed among the Greek, Roman, Assyrian and Egyptian ancient civilizations. Thus it was recognized by the Church hierarchy that the custom was one of natural religion, and therefore not to be traced exclusively to any particular creed or form of worship.

However, preference was given by the Church to holly over ivy because of the latter's objectionable associations with orgies committed in the name of the pagan god of wine, Bacchus.

An old writer spiritualized the practice of Christmas decorations. "Plants which are always green, winter and summer, signify and put us in mind of His Deity, that the Child that now was born was God and Man, Who should spring up like a tender plant, should always be green and flourishing, and live for evermore." It was also suggested that the holly wreath with its prickles and blood-red berries was symbolic of Christ's crown of thorns.

Some of the oldest carols have praise of the evergreens, such as the following:

Here comes holly that is so gent,
To please all men in His intent.
Allelujah!

Whosoever against holly do cry,
In a rope shall be hung full high.
Allelujah!

Whosoever against holly do sing,
He may weep and his hands wring.
Allelujah!

At one time holly had a medicinal reputation. A French physician named Rousseau believed that its dried and powdered leaves, and its bark, made a valuable febrifuge. Records indicate the London Medico-Botanical Society and a corresponding organization in Paris gave official approval to Rousseau's claim that his essence of holly bark, named "ilicine," was as effective as quinine in reducing fevers. What happened to "ilicine?" Possibly modern medicine has been overlooking its powers. One member of the holly family (*ilex paraguayensis*) has considerable reputation and popularity in South America as a healthful, invigorating drink. It is known as *mate*. An old herbal gives a syrup prepared from holly as a relief for winter coughs.

Not all the 300-odd varieties of *ilex* or holly bear red berries; some have yellow fruit. There also are silver-gray and gold-edged leaved kinds. All are dioecious or unisexual shrubs, meaning the staminate (male) and pistillate (female) flowers are borne on separate plants. Only the female bears the clusters of berries. One need not purchase both types for a crop of berried branches if a male holly plant stands within wind's blow, about a quarter of a mile. If a large number of hollies is to be set out, as for a hedge, growers recommend about one male to every ten female trees. The holly was a popular hedge plant in Old England; its prickles repelled poachers or other intruders like a palisade.

While the slow-growing holly is generally seen as a shrub, it may reach a height of forty to seventy feet; such a tree has a trunk three feet in diameter.
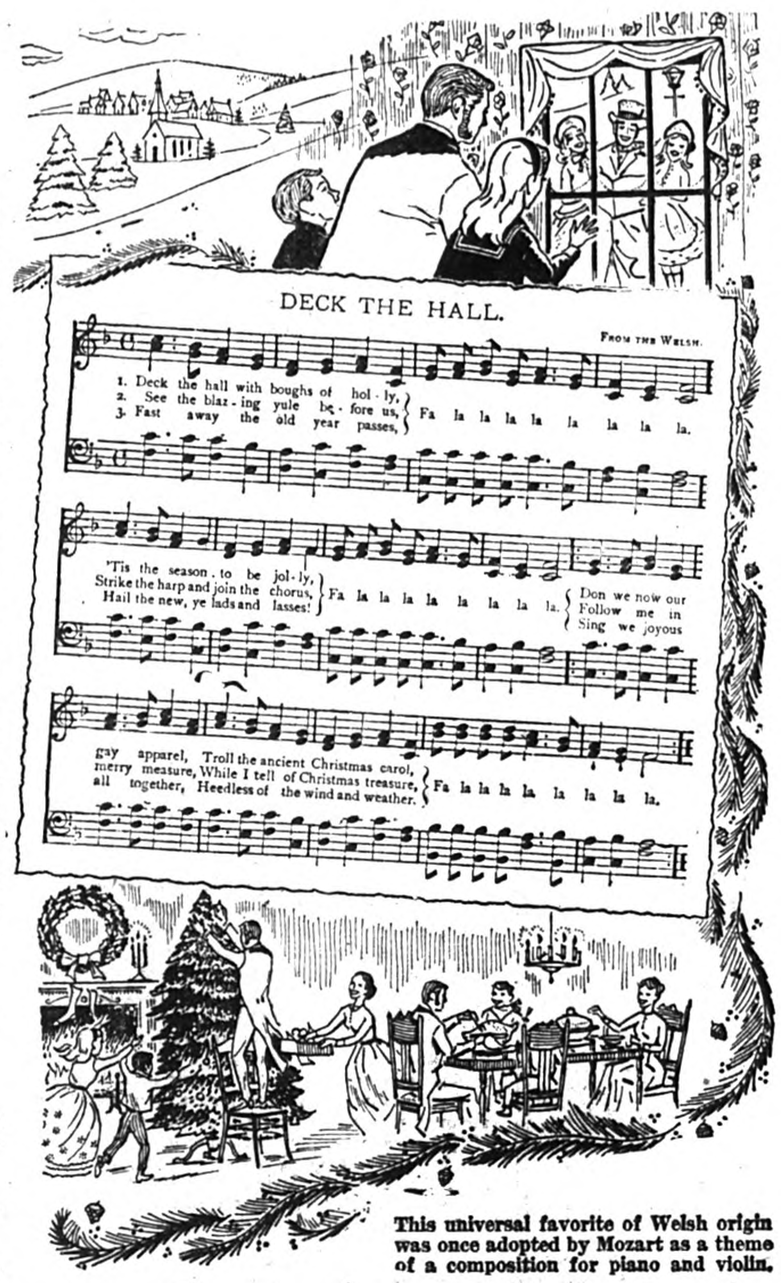
In some districts of Old England, the holly and other Christmas evergreens were left to decay or wither naturally indoors, but in Shropshire the greenery was taken down on Twelfth Night and burned ceremoniously. It was believed that otherwise evil spirits would take possession of the foliage. The first Robert Herrick (1591-1674) based a poem on this belief:

Down with the rosemary, and so
Down with the bays and mistletoe.
Down with the holly, ivy, all,
Wherewith ye dressed the Christmas Hall.

No one least branch left there behind.
For look how many leaves there be
Neglected there (maids trust to me)
So many Goblins shall ye see.

Another Englishman, poet laureate Robert Southey (1774-1843), acclaimed the festive bough thusly:

O Reader! hast thou ever stood to see
The Holly-tree?
The eye that contemplates it well perceives
Its glossy leaves
Ordered by an Intelligence so wise
As might confound the Atheist's sophistrics.



This universal favorite of Welsh origin was once adopted by Mozart as a theme of a composition for piano and violin.

Soviets retreat and Santa wins

After unsuccessful efforts to keep Christmas from being celebrated as a Christian holiday, the Communist regimes of Russia and the countries of Eastern Europe have recently shown a more tolerant attitude toward traditional observances. Father Christmas, the Russian Santa, is back again, having refused to become Father Winter, the name Communists tried to give him.

Another gift bringer in Russia is a legendary old woman called Babuska (grandmother). Legend says she misdirected the Magi when they asked the way to Bethlehem. She repented and to atone she went about the world on Christmas Eve, looking for the Christ Child and distributing gifts to children.



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Roving writer visits Oka reserve, pow-wows with Mohawk chiefs

Specially contributed by Norman Thorburn

. Champlain in 1603-1608 made an almost fatal error, when he drove almost all of the Iroquois beyond the boundaries of present-day Quebec Province, to the heartland of the Mohawks in the State of New York.

After this, the Iroquois were a thorn in the side of the French people for over 150 years.

When the seignorial manor of the Seigniory of Lachenaie was first built in 1740, it was protected by a stone wall and watch-tower. You can see this today, near Mascouche. As late as 1740 the Iroquois were still a menace to Montreal.

About 1630 the Dutch supplied the Iroquois with arms — knives, swords, guns — anything they wished, as long as they were not used against the Dutch.

With their guns, the Iroquois quickly decimated the ranks of the Algonquins, and the French settlers hardly dared to venture beyond the shelter of their forts, although the Iroquois never put more than 3,000 warriors into a fight at any time. French colonists did not flock to Canada, where behind any tree might lurk an Iroquois.

Corlear, a Dutchman, won great favor with the Iroquois around 1630. He saved from certain destruction, a French army that was lost, starving, and surrounded by hostile Iroquois. He persuaded the Iroquois to let them return to Montreal unharmed. In return for this kindness, the French invited Corlear to visit their Governor in Quebec City. Corlear was drowned in Lake Champlain, while on his way to Quebec. To this day the Iroquois when they meet the Governor of the State of New York, address him as Corlear.

Around 1680 James II, King of England, who was himself a Roman Catholic and under the influence of the French court, appointed Colonel Tom Dongan, an Irish Catholic, to be Governor of New York.

The king gave Col. Dongan strict orders not to molest the French Jesuits in their efforts to convert the Iroquois. The fate of British North America was virtually in the hands of Col. Dongan.

The French Jesuits of that period were very brave men, devoted to the conversion of the pagans. But they were also the spearhead of French civilization and the French army.

Col. Dongan quickly saw that, if the French army came in after the conversion of the Iroquois, they would outflank the English colonists in New York and New England.

The Iroquois would then be the allies of the French. Now the Iroquois had great influence over the Narrangansetts and Pequot Indians of New England, and the Creek Indians of the southern states. The Narrangansetts, Pequots, the Virginian Indians and the Creeks, disliked the proud Anglo-Saxons. After the marriage of Pocahontas to John Rolfe, an Englishman in Virginia, the Indians brought some of their finest looking girls to the English bachelors of Virginia, in the hope that they would marry them. The English preferred to wait for their ships to bring them English girls.

So the Virginian Indians declared war on the English.

Thus, if the French could have won over the Iroquois to their side, they would undoubtedly have also gained the support of all the tribes to the south. The English could hardly have withstood all these enemies.

But Col. Dongan did not betray the trust that the Dutch Calvinists, and English Puritans, of the State of New York placed in him. He disobeyed the orders of his king. He told the Mohawks to send the French priests back to Montreal. He urged the Iroquois to attack the French, and to encourage the Utawawas or Ottawa Indians who dwelt in southeastern Ontario, to do the same. Thus the terrible strife between the French and Iroquois continued unabated. . . .

Well might James Montour, Chief of the Lake of Two Mountain Indians of the Mohawk tribe, say to several English-speaking members of the House of Commons recently, **"If it had not been for us, Iroquois, you would not be here in Canada."**

* * *

I recently paid two visits to these Indians near Oka. Seeing four Mohawk braves talking by the side of the road, I told my brother, on my first trip, to stop the car. I addressed the Indians in French, "Pourriez-vous me renseigner où est-ce que je — "; but I got no further, I was abruptly stopped by the query, "Can you speak English?" The second language of most of these tribesmen is English, although they have been under French influence for 350 years.

"Could you tell me where I might find someone who knows the history of this tribe?" I asked.

"Well, you can go and see Chief Montour up there, or Chief Angus over there; then there is Louis Gaby down there."

I called at Chief Angus' home first, and asked him — why the Iroquois were always fighting the Algonquins.

"They came onto our hunting grounds; we fixed them," he said. He told me some of the Algonquins had gone to Maniwaki Algonquin reserve; the rest had almost all been assimilated by the French. Algonquin was no longer spoken at Oka. Chief Angus is a man 85 years of age.

I found Chief James Montour at the home of his sister, Mrs. Joe Ponspille. I asked Chief Montour if the ancient Indians had anything, beside a basket of split spruce roots, that could hold water to boil their food. "The ancient Indians also made soup in stone pots," he told me.

I told him about the ancient Indians, making corn bread over their fires on a flat stone. "My father used to make wonderful bread," the Chief said. "He would make a big fire in a safe place in the bush. He would wait until the fire had died down and he had about six or eight inches of hot ashes. With a stick he would make a trough in the ashes, and place the dough there. Then he would cover the dough with another six inches of hot ashes. When he knew the bread was done, he would take it out and dust off the clean white ashes with a feather. . . . You can't make better bread, than bread made that way."

"You come back some Sunday and I will show you the treaties we Indians made with Great Britain and the U.S.A." His scholarly daughter drove him to Washington to get information recently. This chief is in his 71st year.

The treaty of 1763 offers peace, general amnesty, and defines to some extent the territories of the Mohawks, Oneidas, Cayugas, Onandagas, Senecas and Tuscaroras of the Iroquois confederacy; and also the Wyandottes, Ottawas, Kickapoos, etc.

The chief also showed me a map of 1763. The only inhabited place in the Ottawa Valley marked on this map, I noticed, was the Kanasadagha Indian Reserve. Kanasadagha means Lake of Two Mountains. The Chief cannot get any more copies of this map. He would like to procure the map of 1792, but it is also hard to get. On this map of 1763, the North River is marked, but it appears where the Gatineau should be. The Salmon River was where the Lièvre River should be. A little stream where the North should be, is called the Red River.

Both chiefs, Angus and Montour, told me that, after the year 1608 when the Iroquois suffered a terrible defeat by the French on the island of Montreal, they settled on the shores of the Lake of Two Mountains. This place was no doubt well-known to the Mohawks, and may have been a favorite hunting and fishing spot.

Soon after this, Catholic priests converted them to Christianity. Everything went well until after 1763, when a generous Mohawk chief at Kanasadagha (as Oka was then called) invited a wandering band of half-starved Algonquins to take up residence on the eastern side of the reserve.

The French naturally favored their old allies, the Algonquins. Many Algonquins married French people. Then one day Oka, the Algonquin chief, gave away much of the reserve to the Seminary of St. Sulpice. Pointing to the sun, Oka declared, "I give this land to the Seminary of St. Sulpice, as long as the sun shines, as long as water flows, as long as the grass grows, forever and ever."

The original extent of the reserve was 100 square miles; now it is only 18 square miles. The population is around 800.

Chief Montour has a picture of Oka in 1843, with a small raft on the river and the old Catholic church in the background.

About 1850, a harsh priest antagonized the Indians. The latent incompatibility between French and Mohawk flared up anew.

The church burned down, and the Mohawks embraced the Protestant faith. Protestant missionaries had probably been here long before this time. My own ancestor, the Rev. John Young, was a minister in Mohawk territory near Schenectady and Albany between 1785-1790. He came to Montreal in 1790 and did a lot of missionary work among the Indians around Montreal, until 1802.

The chief's father, Mitchel Montour, was a pilot on the rafts that went down the Ottawa to Quebec City. Chief James Montour himself was on the last raft that went down the Ottawa. It left the mouth of the Black River, a tributary of the Ottawa, and went to Quebec. It skirted Ile Bizard, by way of what the Mohawks call the Kanasquaraga, or "White Horse" River, to the Rivière des Prairies. These rafts were huge affairs, 200 feet wide sometimes, and much longer than that. They had two oars at each corner; these oars were 18 feet long.

A great rope was attached to the centre of the prow of the raft. Chief Montour had to pull on this rope in rough water, to keep the prow of the raft up, so it wouldn't be swamped. At times he was completely submerged by water. . . . The chief often went on the log drive.

Once, he was driving logs on the Petawawa River, at a place called McDonald's Chute. He and his brother-in-law were working a half-mile up the river from the main body of men, downstream. There was a bad log jam in very swift water, above the falls or chute. There were 160 men and three foremen, but not one would volunteer to go break the jam. "Get the Indians," they said.

Chief Montour and his brother-in-law walked gingerly along the logs to the jam. He always depended on his brother-in-law to find the key log.

When his relative told him which log was binding the jam, the chief said to him, "You stay behind me, and when the log gives, you run for your life, don't wait for me." Both men knew they were gambling with death. They grabbed the key log with their peevees, twisted it, and the madly careening wildly tossing logs went plunging down the cataract. Their spiked boots gripping the logs, as nimble as cats they raced for the wharf at the river's edge. "Had that wharf been much further away, we would never have made it," said the chief.

The Mohawk sachem told me that the word Caughnawaga means "swift water", and refers to the Lachine Rapids.

The district around Hull, on the Ottawa, is called by them Omeractaga, "where the leaves fall".

The chief's father, Mitchel Montour used to go hunting and fishing back of Lake Louisa, long ago. He would leave his mare and express at the farm of the late Russell Seale. He bought his cartridges at T. McOuat's store.

My wife took colored snapshots of the chief and myself, holding the precious treaty of 1763. She took a photo of the map of 1763 of the Ottawa Valley, and a picture of Oka in 1843 with the small raft, in front, and the quaint old Catholic church in the background. The chief has a cute German daschund that understands commands in Iroquois.

The chief is an elder in his church, and reads the Bible in Iroquois to the congregation. The minister preaches in English.

If an outlaw, even a murderer, takes refuge on the reserve, the chief's permission must be obtained by the police before they can enter the reserve to search for the fugitive.

No white man was allowed to sleep on the reserve. Some time ago, an intermarriage with white people was punished by banishment from the reserve. . . .

Pardon me, I have lived quite a while; I know a man's man when I see one. Such a man of sterling worth is James Montour, Chief of the Kanasadagha Reserve.

Sharing ideas creates seal

That familiar Christmas seal appearing on so many packages and letters during the holiday season owes its origin to an American physician, a Danish postal worker and a kind-hearted lady from Delaware.

The doctor, Edward Livingston Trudeau, was stricken with TB shortly after graduation from medical school, says The Encyclopedia Americana.

To help other people with the disease — both his brother and his daughter had it — and to test his own ideas, Dr. Trudeau set up the first successful tuberculosis hospital at Saranac Lake, New York.

When the National Tuberculosis Association was founded in 1904, its first president was Dr. Trudeau.

About the same time, far across the sea in Denmark, a Danish postal worker, Einar Holboell, had the idea of selling penny seals to put on packages at Christmas, to remind people to help sick and needy children suffering from tuberculosis.

The King of Denmark approved the idea and the world's first Christmas seal sale took place in 1904.

Meanwhile, on the banks of the Brandywine River in Delaware, a group of doctors had built a small hospital to be used for treating tuberculosis.

When it became apparent that the project would die for lack of funds, a cousin of one of the doctors came to the rescue. Miss Emily Bissell, a Red Cross worker, had read a magazine article about the successful Christmas seal idea in Denmark.

Miss Bissell set to work and drew the design for the first American Christmas seal. Around Christmas time of 1907, the first stamps went on sale in the Wilmington, Del., post office.

Forester Helped Teddy's Boys Have Holiday Tree

Franklin Pierce and Benjamin Harrison were among Presidents known to have yule trees in the White House. Theodore Roosevelt, a dedicated conservationist, banned the use of trees, for fear indiscriminate cutting would destroy the nation's forests.

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A Christmas Thought

Specially contributed by the Rev. Horace G. Baugh

So many people pass the remark, "Let us put Christ back into Christmas". — I didn't know He had ever been taken out. . . . However, there are some people who are confusing our Christian way of living with the idea that, so long as a person is sincere, that is all that God requires, and that any actual religion in itself is unnecessary. How many times you have heard the remark, "It doesn't matter what church you go to, as long as you believe". — Believe what?

In parts of the world there are still primitive tribes who throw infants to their gods, practise female circumcision, practice rituals which drive their people mad with fear, and engage in sadistic practices which are inhuman.

Misguided religion is worse than no religion at all. Jesus was disturbed with the religion of the Pharisees because they took something that was good and perverted it, until it had become despicable.

As long as people say "It doesn't matter what religion we have, really", we are a far cry from bringing in the Kingdom of God. There are no "ifs" and "buts" about Christianity. You are either for Him or against Him — Christ, the Saviour of the World.

Your thoughts and actions at this Christmas Season will show where you stand with Him — the King of Kings, the Prince of Peace. It matters how you believe, and what you believe!



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Be sure that ribbon matches at least one of the colors in wrapping paper.

Dont' use dainty designs or pastel paper for a man's gift.

Paper with large designs or broad stripes should not be used to wrap small packages.

Agents Help Children Have Merry Christmas

Insurance agents of an Evanston, Illinois, company have developed a tradition of sharing at Christmas time.

Two years ago, they gave up their Christmas gifts from the company to establish a four-year scholarship with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

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Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

Christmas — Has it a New Look?

My feet felt as though I had Mexican jumping beans for toes. I would gladly have taken off my shoes and walked stocking footed, except that I had to set an example for small Lori. Having reached her second birthday she was eligible this year for a Christmas store prowl with her doting grandmother, as had the older children in other years.

I get just as much kick as the children out of the annual safari into the department store jungle, peopled by shoppers. Only that my endurance seemed a little less this year, and Lori's exuberance a little more strenuous.

Fortunately it took little coaxing to convince her, after she had seen Santa and the animated toys, that a rest period was indicated. She was quite happy to curl up on a long bench in the ladies' waiting room and dig her pony-tail into my lap for a nap. I kicked off my shoes, well aware that because of swelling I might never get them on again for our final splurge, a children's party in the store's café.

The waiting room was crowded with weary shoppers. They all wore a rather smug, satisfied air, however, as they tucked their loaded shopping bags beneath their chairs and slumped down with a relaxed appearance.

Beside us on the bench were three elderly gentlemen. They were rather out of place in a ladies' waiting room except that this had been provided by the store as a place where families could meet and husbands who easily become bored with shopping, could rest until their women folk either exhausted their funds or their enthusiasm.

At first I wasn't aware of the three old gentlemen's conversation. When it began to filter through my dozy brain, I couldn't resist listening to them. They were just three old, old pensioners who found the warmth of the store and nearness of other human beings comforting, and were commenting on the women's high heels, wobbly posteriors and silly hats as they passed in a never-ending stream before us. "My mother wouldn't have been seen dead with her skirts hiked like that to her knees", remarked the first old duffer.

Three Opinions

"Well you know, Jim, times change, just like Christmases do. Take the time when we were kids; why, we thought we were lucky to get an orange and some nuts in our stockings. My Dad made every toy we ever had, sleighs and rocking horses, doll houses, and long slats we used to coast down the hill on. None o' them fancy skiis and steel harnesses, just leather thongs to tie these to our felt boots. Dad sandpapered and waxed them to a gleam so's they'd glide easy over the snow", reminisced the second elderly codger.

"I know, I know", remarked the third old man, coming in on the conversation from the mysterious whereabouts of his meditation. "The girls in our family all got aprons in their stockings on Christmas morning and were thrilled with their gift. My mother used to make every stitch by hand. Those were good times, but I wouldn't want the kids today to be without these high falutin' fancy toys. I think they are teaching 'em somp'n. Take that 'Rocket to the Moon' contraption in toyland, that spiels a recitation about all the planets the kids are supposed to be passing while they whirl around and around in that capsule. It would have scared us kids to death, but today's youngsters take everything in their stride. In fact the thing that interested me was how they all begged their parents for a chance to play engineer and pilot 'Old Smokey' on a rootin', tootin', smoke-blastin' ride. The nearby little make-believe railway engine was just as fascinating to the kids as that new-fangled moon rocket thing, perhaps even more so."

Christmas Sometimes Confusing

Though new and more spectacular toys may be produced each year, the real Christmas story will ever be the most fascinating tale ever told. It is why old gentlemen will sit on benches and recall their happier youth, and why little girls will sleep peacefully in their grandmother's lap, perhaps a bit confused at age two by a red-velvet-clad, white-whiskered old Santa and the story in her colored picture book of the birth of the baby Jesus.

Christmas is and always has been since the Wise Men came to the stable, tinsel and glitter, faith and hope, memories and dreams, surprises and companionship, sharing and giving. Lucky for us humans it comes year after year, to reassure us in good times or bad.

MISTLETOE MYTHS

Like frankincense and myrrh, also associated with Christmas, mistletoe was once hailed for its medicinal properties. The ancient Druids of Britain attributed mystic powers to the mistletoe plant and believed it effective against diseases, poisons, and witchcraft. To announce an engagement with a kiss beneath its berries was considered the best guarantee of happiness, good fortune, fertility and long life.

Christmas Not Holiday During Colonial Times

Christmas was not much of a holiday in Colonial times. On December 27, 1773, Sir William Stevens made the following entry in his journal at Savannah, Ga.:

"A few people inclined to labour still; so great a propensity was there among them, through prevalence of custom, to keep the Christmas holidays; tho' feasting here was not yet in fashion; and my servants thought it best working, without which I told them there was no eating."



Cliff Cunningham

Travel Consultant — Tobacconist — News-stand

557 Main St. Lachute LO 2-5522

Poinsettia puzzle is Christmas fun

A fun-maker at Christmas is to ask family or friends this question: "What color is the blossom of the poinsettia plant?" Chances are, the answer will be, "Red, of course."

Actually, the red "blossoms" of the poinsettia are not the flower of the plant — they are leaves. The real blossoms are the tiny yellow flowers in the centre of the red clusters.

A comparative newcomer to the traditional Yule greenery, the tropical poinsettia was discovered in Mexico in 1828, by Dr. Joel Roberts Poinsett, first U.S. minister to Mexico. He aroused interest in its beauty, and the plant was named for him.

Albert Ecke, a California farmer, developed and improved the plant, and first marketed it in 1906.

Reunion And Feasting

Through the ages, Christmas has always been a time of reunion and feasting.

In this country, Christmas is not considered complete unless the entire family gathers at "mom's" or "grannie's." Turkey on the table is a tradition and, in some sections, ham is considered a menu necessity.

In the time of the Saxons, the festive board was spread with a "bord-cloth" and the guests waited impatiently for the two specialties that marked Christmas: the peacock and the boar's head.

To all pilgrims and benefactors of the Shrine



THE Franciscan Fathers wish you A HAPPY CHRISTMAS and ALL BLESSINGS IN THE NEW YEAR.

Brownsburg Road (P.O. Box 336, Lachute)

Season's Greetings

To our customers, past and future, we extend the Season's Greetings — thanking them for their generous encouragement.

C. & T. Fauteux

Ladies' & Children's Wear Main St., Lachute

We thank you for the privilege of serving you, and trust we have filled a need in the activities and pursuits of this community. . . Wishing our friends the old-time wish —

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Lachute Woodcraft Reg.

Martin Niederkorn Lachute: LO 2-6106

Merry Christmas!

— And a Happy New Year . . . Our heartiest wishes to all friends and customers who have encouraged our business in the past year.

Riverside Diner

Mr. and Mrs. Monette, Proprietors.

We take genuine pleasure in laying aside the routine of business to send our friends the heartiest wishes for the Holiday Season.

Bertrand Ladouceur

General Store St. Andrews East

WE TAKE THIS opportunity to offer the population and our clients in particular, a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year. Peace, Joy, Good Health, and Prosperity to all.

DAVID'S (Reg.)

Ladies' and Men's Ready-to-wear

567 Main St. Dave Schwartz, prop. Lachute

(In the Main Shopping Centre)

Our appreciation for the patronage which we have enjoyed in the past year — and our assurance of good service in all future business dealings.

N. Heroux & Fils Enr.

Contractor — Plumbing, Tinsmith Work & Heating

Bellingham Street, Lachute

Argenteuil Bazaar Store

takes this glad opportunity to thank all friends and customers and to wish them all — A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Ed. Mansour, Prop. Main St., Lachute

(In the Main Shopping Centre)

In the coming year it will be our aim to give the same dependable service, and to meet the needs of those whose confidence we enjoy.

Harbour Pharmacy

Main St. West — Nyal Products — Lachute

Health, happiness, prosperity — we wish you these in generous measure. Thanking our customers for their continued support.

Rochon Electric Reg.

144 Bethany LO 2-4949 — Eugène Rochon

May Christmas bring you joy; may every day of the New Year bring a new experience in happiness.

A sincere THANK-YOU to all whom it has been our privilege to serve.

Chas. McFaul & Son

Footwear, Clothing, Yardgoods, Linoleum, Paints

Main Street, Lachute

Christmas Greetings

May We Convey . . .

our warm thanks for your support in business . . our sincerest hopes for your joy this Christmastide, your welfare in the coming year.

Leonard Dion

Plumbing and Heating

48 Hope Street Tel. LO 2-2717

A measure of modest satisfaction is ours — for we have given of our best. We promise, again, a continuance of our most efficient service, and thank you for your kind support.

Dawson TV & Radio Service

510 Main Street — LO 2-5888

Good Times, Good Company

To the good times, good company and entertainment we have shared with our visitors through the past year — we now add a wish for your happiness at Christmas time.

Colford Lodge

Cocktail Lounge — Dancing

Near St. Canut.

THANK YOU for your business — and your friendship. Our best wishes at this Christmas season.

At your service —

Geo. Raymond

Plumbing and Heating

49 Bellingham Street Tel. LO 2-6002

CHRISTMAS seems to renew our obligation of gratitude to the community which we so gladly serve. We are grateful for the patronage you have given us in the months past, and pledge anew to serve you faithfully in the future.

Walker-Kingsbury Inc.

Gifts, Greeting Cards, Stationery, Office Supplies

(In the Main Shopping Centre)

A Merry Christmas to One and All!

Appreciation to all our customers for their continued support. May the coming year bring all your desires in health, happiness and prosperity.

A Merry Christmas, a Prosperous New Year.

Leon Lavoie

Restaurant, Grocer, Butcher

308 Grace St., Lachute, Que.

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.

Georges Pariseau & Fils

Butcher & Grocer 563 Main St. Lachute

(In the Main Shopping Centre)

MERRY CHRISTMAS — JOYEUX NOEL

In step with modern designs and trends, 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.

Omer Laurin & Fils Ltée.

Builders — Lachute — Contractors

We have been happy to serve the motoring public, and in thanking our friends for their confidence and support, we pledge our devotion to their interests in the New Year. . . Our sincerest wishes for the Festive Season.

Tony's Service Station

Corner of Chatham Hamford Streets

"Our DADDY says to thank you for your patronage and to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."



Drew Photo Service

(Syd Drew)

689 Main Street, Lachute

LO 2-2802

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.

Jacques Seguin, Barber

295 Main Street, Lachute

Happy to be of service in your jubilations, personal and public, and wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

J. Roland Paquette

CATERER

for Clubs, Celebrations, Banquets, Weddings, etc.

To Our Customers:

Here's wishing you a happy holiday. To each of you who contributed to our success and to those of you who have given us your friendship, we extend a hearty and genuine Merry Christmas.

Mme J.-O. Desjardins

YARD GOODS AND REMNANTS

198 Evelina St. Tel. LO 2-2283

Season's 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.

L'Hotel du Chasseur

Gagné and Denis, proprietors

Pine Hill, Que.

Thanks — and Greetings

May the Holiday Season bring you an abundance of Joy, Hope and Fulfilment.

Salon Gertrude

Mme Roland Campeau, prop.

404 Robert Street Lachute, Que.

Appreciation — Good Wishes

Sincere wishes for the Christmas Season, and may Health, Happiness and Prosperity be yours in the coming year.

My thanks for your past support, and anticipating the pleasure of serving you in the future —

Jacques Champagne

BARBER

448 Main St. Lachute

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.

Jules Leger, Barber

St. Philippe d'Argenteuil



Very Merry Christmas and our sincere gratitude for your patronage.

We're looking forward to serving you in the future.

GEO. V. RIDDELL & SONS

General Contractors & Builders

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The Lachute Watchman



The WRONG SANTA CLAUS



Jimmie Lavender was watching Janice Grayville sharply. "Wrong Santa Claus again?" he asked her gently.

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By VINCENT STARRETT

Everyone dressed as St. Nick isn't a saint, but even a double deception can have a happy Christmas ending.

JIMMIE LAVENDER ran his fingers through his thick dark hair, with its single white plume that somehow gave him the appearance of a diplomat, and for the umpteenth time sent his appraising eyes around the table. It was a highly reputable gathering, he conceded; yet unless his information was wrong, one of the company at this old-fashioned Christmas party was a crook.

Surely not old Mr. Buckminster, who was giving the party. The old gentleman was at least seventy, a respectable stock broker retired for several years. Nor Bill Durward, Buckminster's son-in-law, who had invited him to the party. Nor Estelle Durward, whose anxiety about her pearls had caused her husband to issue the invitation to Lavender. Mrs. Durward had convinced herself that the mysterious bandit who had held up and robbed Miss Grayville's Christmas party, exactly a year ago, would strike again this year. She believed in coincidence.

So did Lavender, after a fashion. He hoped that Gilruth, his genial assistant, was getting along well with the servants.

Meanwhile, the gay party at Bolton Buckminster's Lake Forest mansion was in full swing as the evening wore on toward midnight. Outside, the December night was blowing hard and cold. Apparently they were not going to have a white Christmas.

Old Mr. Buckminster was making a speech. . . . "And everybody," he concluded, looking at his watch, "will find his or her stocking hanging appropriately over the fireplace." He beamed around the table like a genial English squire. "I wouldn't be surprised if Santa Claus has something pretty nice for all of you."

"That old game!" laughed Ann Jucklin. "I hung mine up last year and what did I get? A dozen pairs of stockings."

"Pretty good, considering the price of stockings," said Tom Lowden, looking at Ann with masculine approval. "Didn't you tell anybody what you wanted?"

"I hinted around the house that I would like a car of my own, but nobody took the hint. Dad thinks two cars are enough in one family. I got a lot of other loot, of course—handkerchiefs, perfume, books, records, and so on—but nothing reckless or exciting."

"NO GOLD pieces?" asked Jimmie Lavender, mischievously. "That's the way it all started, you know. There was a rich old man named Nicholas—later they made him a saint—who liked to do good anonymously. One night he came to a quaint old house inhabited by three needy spinsters. Wishing to help, but remain unknown, he tossed a handful of gold coins down the chimney. Hanging by the fire to dry were the spinsters' stockings, and —what do you think? The gold pieces fell right into them! Of course, the news got around and people thought it was a miracle. We've been hanging up our stockings at Christmas ever since."

"Do you believe that story, Mr. Lavender?" asked Janice Grayville archly. One always felt that she was delivering a line from one of her plays. "And do the recipients always have to be needy spinsters?"

"Well, perhaps not. But originally the old saint was the chosen patron of unmarried young women."

"What happened to the three needy spinsters?" asked Ann Jucklin.

"Oh, with the gold they found husbands at once, I understand."

"I think you made that story up yourself, Mr. Lavender."

"I may have improved it a bit," Lavender confessed; "but basically that's a legend of the old gentleman we call Saint Nicholas."

"Otherwise, Santa Claus," said the actress; and then she turned to the host. "I've been nervous ever since Estelle told me there would be one here tonight, Mr. Buckminster. After what happened last Christmas Eve, is that wise? I still think I should have left my rings at home."

OLD MR. Buckminster laughed jovially. "Nonsense," he began; but Jimmie Lavender cut in quickly.

"Just what did happen a year ago, Miss Grayville? I'd like to hear the story. It was at your place, wasn't it?"

"Ask me," snapped Roger Callman, with a sour smile. "I was there. Lucy lost a bracelet worth several thousand dollars."

His wife's fingers strayed to her wrist, where now an obviously expensive replacement glittered and gleamed. "Miss Grayville was the big loser," she said complacently.



"Jeffrey should be here any minute now," said old Mr. Buckminster. "Shall we go into the drawing room?"

"It was fantastic," agreed Janice Grayville, with one of the dramatic gestures that had made her famous. "I didn't mind the money he took out of the wall safe, but I did hate to lose my jewels, even though they were insured. They were my mother's —and those my husband had given me. Oh yes, it was quite a —haul, I believe is the word. And the police could do nothing. At any rate, they did nothing."

"Fellow strolled in in a Santa Claus costume and held up the party!" contributed Tom Lowden. "I was there, too."

"Me, too," said Ann. "It was terrible—he took my emerald pendant, my precious emerald."

"My fault, I suppose," said Janice; "but I've always liked children's games. Oh, it was all simple enough. The plan was for Martin, my chauffeur, to dress up as Santa Claus and come in with a sack of presents for my guests. Instead of Martin, another Santa Claus came in, pointed a gun at us, and—that was that!"

"What happened to Martin?" asked Lavender.

"The police found him in the shrubbery—still dressed as Santa Claus. He'd been slugged or something on his way from his room over the garage, and another man had taken his place."

LAVENDER reached for a bonbon, snapped it, read the seasonal greeting inside, and tossed it away. "You mentioned a wall safe," he observed.

"He seemed to know exactly where it was," said Janice. "I opened it for him—at his request. I had no choice."

"Was the fellow masked?"

"He wore a sort of black half-mask over his eyes. I thought at first Martin was playing a joke on us; but I soon realized it wasn't Martin."

"What was his manner, Miss Grayville? Was he an obvious roughneck?"

"Oh, he was civil enough, even courteous; but—well, crisp would be a novelist's word for him perhaps."

"He was tough enough underneath," said Roger Callman, cracking an English walnut with his teeth.

"Who else was there?"

"Practically all of us," said Janice. "Bill and Estelle—Roger and Lucy—Ann and Tom. Mr. Buckminster was there for a time, but went home early—before the robbery."

"Ted Fraser was there, too," their host corrected her. "My secretary, Mr. Lavender. He's at another party tonight."

JIMMIE LAVENDER'S eyes went round the circle. "Did Martin tell anybody he was going to play Santa Claus that night?"

"He may have—he says not. But anybody might have heard I was having a Christmas party with a Santa Claus. It was in society columns in the newspapers."

A tall old man in a butler's uniform and an attractive maid, also in uniform, entered the dining room and looked inquiringly at Bolton Buckminster. "Did you ring, sir?" asked the butler.

"No, we're not ready yet, Jeffrey," said his employer. "I may have touched the bell accidentally with my foot—sorry! Are the stockings ready?"

"Yes, sir. I took care of them myself."

The butler and the handsome young woman left the room, looking puzzled, and Bill Durward chuckled inwardly. It was his foot that had touched the bell. He was beginning to be bored by the turn of events. His wife looked at him accusingly.

"New maid, Mr. Buckminster?" asked Tom Lowden. "What happened to Francine?"

"Left us two weeks ago, to get married. Knew I couldn't keep her forever. Too good looking!"

"The new one isn't exactly an eyesore," laughed Bill Durward.

"She looks like an adventuress," said Estelle Durward acidly.

It was true, thought Lavender, amused. She did look like an adventuress. In fact, she was a bit of an adventuress. Her name was Della Collier, and she worked for James E. Lavender.

Ann Jucklin was asking an embarrassing question. "Where have I heard about you, Mr. Lavender? I'm sure I've read your name in the papers. Are you a painter or a writer or something?"

"He sounds like a detective," said Tom Lowden, "or maybe a lawyer."

BILL DURWARD, who thought the whole stunt was silly, answered her. "Mr. Lavender is a detective," he said. "He's a private detective; a good one, I understand. He is here tonight as our guest. He's an old college friend of mine."

"Not really," cried Ann, delighted. "Like Sherlock Holmes, Mr. Lavender?"

"Well, not exactly," admitted Lavender. "I'm not in his class. Anyway your secrets are all safe, I hope. Even a detective takes a holiday at Christmas."

"Oh, please detect something, Mr. Lavender," Ann begged.

"About you, Miss Jucklin? Well, you live at home with your parents and have a dog named Prince and a cat named Sir Edmund. I heard you telling about them to the children before they went to bed. You like two lumps of sugar in your coffee, but are trying to cut down to one. I've been noticing how you start to take a second lump and then withdraw your hand. You speak French excellently. I know that because I heard you chattering away in French to somebody on the telephone a few hours ago. Not very clever of me, you see. I just have good hearing, good eyesight, and a good memory."

Ann laughed. "More, please."

"And you are very much interested in the little pink fish Mr. Lowden has tattooed on his left wrist."

Ann colored hotly and the others laughed at her discomfiture. "Is it a fish?" she asked faintly. "I couldn't quite make it out and I didn't like to ask."

Tom Lowden bared his left wrist. "Got it in Honolulu when I was there with the navy," he said. "It's my mascot. Fellow who did it said it would bring me good luck, and it has. I'm here with you tonight."

"I wish you had been with us last Christmas Eve, Mr. Lavender," said Janice Grayville. "I thought the police were pretty stupid."

"They're not always as stupid as they sometimes appear," Lavender commented, in defense of his colleagues. "Probably they're still working on your case."



Police found Martin in the shrubbery — still dressed as Santa Claus.

Old Mr. Buckminster was looking at his watch again. "At any rate, there won't be any slip-up this year, Janice," he said. "Jeffrey is playing Santa Claus. He's very dependable."

"How does he enter, Mr. Buckminster?" asked Lavender. "Not from the kitchen surely."

"No, nor down the chimney either. He leaves the house at the back, wearing his costume, and comes around to the side entrance, where he rings a chime of bells in the porch. That's the signal. I go to meet him and bring him into the living room, where he makes a speech I wrote for him; but the gifts he distributes are only symbolized. Your real gifts will be in your stockings, which already are hanging by the fireplace."

"SOUNDS safe enough," admitted Lavender. "I should be sorry to lose any of my own possessions tonight. As a matter of fact, I'm carrying quite a lot of money, much against my habit and judgment."

"Me, too," said Tom Lowden. "At least I've got something I'd hate to lose before I was able to give it to the right person." His eyes sought Ann's, whose eyes were engaged in a thoughtful study of her polished fingernails.

"My pearls!" cried Estelle.

Lucy Callman looked at the expensive bracelet on her wrist and said nothing.

The front door opened, then closed smartly, and there were footsteps in the hall. Everybody jumped nervously except Lavender and Bolton Buckminster. There was a pause, then a tall young man in party clothes entered the room. He greeted Mr. Buckminster respectfully, took in everybody with his eyes, and smiled charmingly at Ann.

"Do I intrude?" he asked brightly. "I had a hard time getting away; but I could use a cup of coffee if you have one to spare."

"Glad to see you, Fraser," said his employer. "My secretary, Ted Fraser, Mr. Lavender. Sit down, Ted. We were just talking about last year's outrage at Janice's. The girls are a bit uneasy as the midnight hour approaches."

"It crossed my mind, too," said the secretary; "but with Mr. Lavender here we are well protected. I remember your work in that Astor Street affair. Glad to meet you, sir."

"I understand you were at last year's party, Mr. Fraser," said Lavender. "Have you any ideas about it? I've been wondering how the fellow escaped."

"Had a car waiting, I should imagine," answered the secretary promptly. "I wasn't there for the event myself. Mr. Buckminster and I left early. He was tired and I had some work to do."

OLD MR. Buckminster snapped his watch shut. "Jeffrey should be here now at any minute," he said. "Shall we go into the drawing room?"

The whole party traipsed into the big living room, where a handsome Christmas tree shimmered and sparkled. A lively fire was snapping in the fireplace, and from the mantel eight serviceable stockings hung intriguingly.

"How charming," said Janice Grayville. "I do love children's games, don't you, Estelle?"

"Where's the mistletoe?" asked Tom Lowden, pretending to look for it over Ann Jucklin's head.

"Twelve o'clock," said Bolton Buckminster, snapping his watch again. "Merry Christmas, everybody. Shall we examine our stockings?"

The stockings were identified by little cards, and for a few moments they were all acting as excited as children. Lucy Callman was the first to cry out.

"My bracelet—the one I lost! The very one that man took from me!"

"And my pearls," screamed Estelle. "They've come back!"

Ann Jucklin opened a small box and unwrapped a square of tissue paper. "My pendant, my emerald pendant," she said in an awed voice. "What mystery is this?"

Janice Grayville said nothing at all. Her only comment had been a strangled gasp. She had not looked into her own stocking. Then her famous smile flashed around the room.

"How wonderful!" she cried.

AS JANICE spoke, the chime of bells sounded at the side of the house, a door was opened without ceremony, and a burly man in the traditional costume of Santa Claus strode swiftly into the drawing room. His eyes gleamed through the thin slits of a black mask. And they all saw a gun in his right hand.

"Everybody quiet, please," said the stranger in a husky voice, "and nobody will be hurt. Yes, this is a holdup. Kindly be seated. You too, Mr. Lavender. I'd hate to have to shoot the famous Jimmie Lavender."

AS THE members of the Christmas party wavered into chairs, the stranger ripped off his mask, and Janice Grayville gasped again. "Oh no!" she said in a low voice.

Jimmie Lavender was watching her sharply. "Wrong Santa Claus again, Miss Grayville?" he asked gently. And to the bandit he said, "Well done, Gilly. You almost scared me to death."

The handsome actress was livid with fear and rage. "Martin!" she screamed. "What have you done with Martin?"

"He was arrested three hours ago," said Jimmie Lavender, "and made a confession involving you. We had to be sure it was genuine, so Mr. Buckminster and I carried out the plan you and Martin had arranged. You betrayed yourself very neatly when you realized my assistant was not Martin."

"How clever you all are," sneered the actress. "And now that you have all your precious jewels back, what do you propose to do? I shall deny everything, of course."

"Your husband already has confessed," Lavender reminded her. "Oh yes, he is your husband, not your chauffeur. But why did you do it, Miss Grayville?"

"Frankly," snapped the actress, "it's none of your business. I may have intended to sell them some day. Perhaps I like jewels as much as you people do; my own were only paste. Or perhaps I don't know why I did it. I'll ask my psychiatrist."

JIMMIE LAVENDER looked at Bolton Buckminster. "What do you propose to do, Mr. Buckminster?" he asked.

"Nothing as far as Janice Grayville is concerned. As you say, all our jewelry has been recovered. As for her husband, the police may give him a hard time."

Lavender knew what probably would happen. In the circumstances, Martin would repudiate his confession, and without prosecution help by Buckminster, the case would fail. But it was not his business—Jimmie Lavender's business—to instruct criminals how to proceed.

When Janice Grayville had left, escorted by the faithful Gilruth, still in his Santa Claus suit, the party relaxed.

"I have enjoyed this Christmas Eve with you and your guests, Mr. Buckminster," said Jimmie Lavender, raising his glass in a gesture to them all; "but when Gilruth returns, I'll have to get along. A very merry Christmas to you all!"

Vincent Starrett was born in Toronto and lived in New York, St. Louis, Reno, London, Paris, Rome, and Peking, until he found he preferred Chicago, so it's his home.

His 30 or more published books include volumes of verse, literary appreciation, bibliography, and seven detective novels.

Among his most popular writings are his Christmas stories. This one by Starrett was written especially for our readers.



Let's Eat

BY

IDA BAILEY ALLEN

There are two entrancing ways to spend Christmas Eve. The house can be already decorated, with the tree ready to light, and a late supper ready to serve; or guests can be invited to help trim the tree.

The second way, I think is more fun. And it helps to fill in a lonely interval for guests away from home.

Tree-Trimming Supper Party

Assorted Hors d'Oeuvres
Beverage of Choice
Olives Radishes Celery Hearts
Virginia Ham
Cranberry Jelly Molds
Noodles Fromagere (Optional)
Buttered Rolls
Rum Cake Latin-American
Coffee

Prettify the Buffet

"Arrange the hors d'oeuvres, relishes and beverages on a separate table like a miniature smorgasbord," suggests the Chef.

Carve the ham in paper-thin slices and roll up. These "rolls" look very attractive on a big platter. For easy service, border with molds of cranberry jelly in lettuce nests. Serve the noodles fromagere from a chafing dish, or keep hot over a candle lamp.

Bake a very large cake, and serve on a big platter; border with holly or greens. With plenty of red candles and the glow from the Christmas tree for light, you can make this simple repast glamorous as a fairy tale banquet.

Noodles-Fromagere

And what are they? Merely noodles in a snappy cheese sauce. For special flavor interest and color contrast, dust with chopped chives.

Rum Cake Latin-American:

(All measurements are level.) Separate 4 eggs; beat the whites stiff and the yolks until lemon-colored. To the yolks, add 1 c. granulated sugar, and 1½ tsp. rum flavoring. Sift together 1 c. cake flour, ¼ tsp. salt and 1 tsp. baking powder. Add alternately with the egg whites. Transfer to a 9-in. diameter tube pan and bake 50 min. in a slow oven, 325 deg.-350 deg. F.

When cold, sprinkle with rum-flavored sugar syrup; dust with chopped toasted pecans and chill. 30 mins. before serving, heap the centre with sweetened whipped cream flavored with ½ tsp. rum extract. Or spread the cake with whipped cream, dust well with chopped pecans, and fill with butter-pecan ice cream.

Serve with cold Bing cherry sauce flavored with a little rum extract.

At this point, let's put glamour foods aside and plan a simple appetizing everyday meal.

Tomorrow's Dinner

Tomato soup; chopped beef-vegetable casserole; popped potatoes; cole slaw; apple betty; coffee, tea, milk.

Chopped Beef-Vegetable Casserole: Melt 2 tbsp. shortening in a frying pan. Add 1 lb. chopped beef and 4 chopped peeled onions Stir and cook until browned. Arrange in layers in an oiled 2-qt. casserole, interspersing layers of the contents 1 (No. 2) can mixed vegetables or 1 (10 oz.) pkg. thawed frozen vegetables, and 1 (No. 2) can tomatoes seasoned with 1 tsp. each salt and monosodium glutamate, and ¼ tsp. each pepper, thyme and allspice. Cover and bake 45 min. in a moderate oven, 375 deg. F.

Trick of the Chef

Add ¼ tsp. oregano to chopped beef-vegetable casserole.



GINGERBREAD MEN

Fun for the family

Sugar 'n spice and everything nice are the ingredients used to make these beguiling Gingerbread Men. And the recipe is so easy to make the kiddies will enjoy themselves trying their hand at baking too. The wee ones, who are too small to actually mix the batter, can join with the rest of the family in stamping out the little men with a cookie cutter and then decorating them in any way they choose. The most lopsided gingerbread man has special charm to youngsters if it's their very own.

The cookies have a crisp, chewy texture and are delicately spiced to suit youthful tastes. Imagination will play a key role when it comes to decorating the gingerbread men. Confectioners' Icing can be used for the buttons and collars and to outline the figures. Dried fruit, cherries and nuts can be used for the faces. If there are a few scraps of colorful cloth in the sewing basket, use them to make tiny ruffs around the neck, or a funny hat. For a comic effect, beards and moustaches can be made by affixing shredded coconut with a little icing.

These cookies can be used for decorating the tree if you wrap them in clear cellophane and tie them to the tree with bright ribbons. In order to make sure that the decorations are not eaten up before Christmas, it might also be a good idea to bake an extra batch or two of gingerbread men and set them aside for desserts and nibbling.

Gingerbread Men
(Yield — about 1½ dozen cookies)

2 Cups once-sifted all-purpose flour (or 2½ cups once-sifted pastry flour),
1 teaspoon baking powder,
½ teaspoon baking soda,
½ teaspoon salt,
2½ teaspoons ground ginger,
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon,
½ cup shortening,
½ cup granulated sugar,
½ cup lightly-packed brown sugar,
1 egg,
½ cup molasses,
1 teaspoon vanilla,
currants or raisins;
Candied, or well-drained maraschino cherries.

Sift together three times, the all-purpose or pastry flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, ginger and cinnamon. Cream shortening; gradually blend in granulated and brown sugar. Mix in egg, molasses and vanilla; beat well. Add sifted dry ingredients, part at a time, mixing in well after each addition. Form dough into a ball and wrap in waxed paper or other kitchen wrap. Chill overnight.

Next day, grease cookie sheets. Preheat oven to 350 deg. F. (moderate). Roll out dough, part at a time, to a scant ¼-inch thickness; cut with floured gingerbread-man cutter. Arrange the cookies on prepared cookie sheets.

Make a face on each man, using currants or raisins for eyes and cut up cherries for nose and mouth. Bake the gingerbread men in preheated oven 8 to 10 minutes. Cool on cake racks. Buttons, collars and cuffs of thick confectioners' icing may be piped on the men for a finishing touch.

FAMED AS SCHOLARS

Bringing gifts to the Christ Child, the Magi also brought with them a reputation of wisdom. They were renowned, legend says, as philosophers, scholars, diviners and astrologists.

For Parents Only . . .



A Weekly Feature of Helpful Hints on Child Training.

CHRISTMAS GAMES FOR YOUR PARTY

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— By NANCY CLEAVER —

Have you been searching for games for your family gathering or for a children's party this vacation? Here are some new games and some Christmas variations of old favorites which may appeal to you. They can be altered and adapted to the taste and age of the guests.

Triple Pantomime Charade

Acting is always fun and here is a triple action pantomime charade. Divide the guests into four groups. Let each group choose a leader and draw a slip from a hat. On the four slips a different suggestion for a silent presentation of a Christmas activity, which naturally falls into three divisions, has been written.

Here are four good ones: Bringing in the tree, putting it up, trimming it; packing Christmas boxes, wrapping and addressing them; hanging Christmas stockings, then one person fills them and eats the refreshments; carollers walk along a path, stop and sing a carol, then wave their farewell. The group in the audience which first guesses what the action represents receives five points for each member of the group.

Do You Know This Christmas Symbol?

Print the name of one well known Christmas symbol such as a star, a candle, a stocking, a sprig of holly, one of mistletoe, a poinsettia flower, a bell, each on a separate sheet of cardboard. Then you will have a set of sheets, each with a different symbol. Have the guests choose a panel of three. These sit at the front facing the audience. They cannot see the name of the symbol when one cardboard sheet is held up, facing the players. By asking questions the panel try to find it out as quickly as possible.

The leader must answer only "Yes" or "No" to the questions put to him in turn by the panel members. If they cannot guess it in two minutes, each member of the audience gains a point. The panel member who finds out what it is first, gains five points.

The last game is best for older boys and girls or for adults, but the old-time parlor games, slightly changed to give them a Christmas flavor, are great fun for children. Instead of "I Packed My Trunk", substitute "I Would Like To Find in My Stocking." Each member in turn adds one article, after reciting in the right order those already mentioned. If he makes a slip or cannot remember, he must drop out. The player staying in the game longest wins with ten points.

In Coffee-Pot, a story is told by the group, each player adding one sentence. One person goes out of the room and the rest, seated in a circle, choose one Christmas symbol, say "a star". When the player in the hall returns to the group he listens carefully. Each player refers to the star in his sentence, but instead of saying STAR he says COFFEE-POT. The player who gives the secret word away, so that it is guessed, becomes the next player to go out of the room. When he comes back he tries to guess the new "coffee-pot".

Pre-school children would find this too difficult, but they would enjoy, "Hide the Christmas Tree Light" played in the same way as "Hide the Thimble".

End up with Musical Chairs in which young and old can all participate, or guessing the name of different Christmas songs played on the piano is another good way to conclude the games session.

A Christmas 'cookie tree'

Christmas cookies will make a gay centrepiece if they are arranged on a Christmas Cookie Tree. Green construction paper, cardboard and red gummed cellulose tape are all you need to make the tree.

Cut four circles from the construction paper in graduated sizes — 12 inches, nine inches, six inches and three inches. Mount on heavy cardboard cut to the same sizes and bind the outside edges with cellulose tape.

The trunk of the tree is fashioned by making spools of 1½-inch strips of cardboard, 32, 22, 13, and four inches long. The spools are fastened with tape.

To assemble, alternate spools with circles, using the largest pieces at the bottom.

Once assembled, the "tree" is ready to hold your array of cookies. For an attractive top, place a tiny artificial tree with tiny parcels around it on the top branch. There's still plenty of space for cookies on the three other layers.

A LAW AGAINST IT

In Massachusetts, Christmas didn't become a lawful holiday until 1856. The Pilgrims in New England had disapproved of Christmas celebrations, and a law prohibiting them was passed in 1659.



Sincere good wishes for a joyous Christmas season and many thanks for allowing us to serve you.

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We take this opportunity to express to you our appreciation for your business during the past year, and to wish you —



A Very Merry Christmas!

Mrs. Herbert Brown
COUNTRY FLORIST PTE. AU CHENE, QUE.

With the aim of SERVICE first and foremost, we have enjoyed the public's generous support. . . We thank our friends, and wish them all THE SEASON'S BEST.

Holt Manufacturing & Supply
Bethany Road Lachute

We trust that our labors have brought you full satisfaction. Such is our aim. Thanks to every customer whom it has been our privilege to serve — and sincere good wishes at Christmastime.

E. S. Gordon
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Appreciation — Good Wishes

Thanking our customers for past favors, and anticipating a mutually pleasant relationship in the year ahead.

Yvonne's Beauty Parlor
(Mme Yvonne Léger)
155 Fraser Street LO 2-5566

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.

Muir Bros
— Imperial Oil Dealers —
Service Station Main Street

HOLIDAY GREETINGS. — The merry season is at hand, and we hope that it contains a multitude of blessings for you. Add to these, the expression of our warm appreciation.

Elie Cyr
Butcher - Grocer
152 Main Street West Phone LO 2-2431

Christmas Greetings

In appreciation of your support and friendship, the Season's Greetings are extended for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Charley Fung, Laundry
Foundry St., Lachute.

ONCE AGAIN — to you and yours, our warmest wishes for a joyous Christmas and bounteous blessings in the year to come.

J. Arnold Scott
Main St. Monumental Masons Lachute

Christmas Greetings

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.

Kerr's Diner & Soda Bar
Main Street Lachute, Que.

ALL OF US in our store extend to all of you in your homes — Holiday Greetings! And included with our wishes is the consciousness of your loyal and friendly support.

Les Gourmets
326 Main Street Lachute

Our appreciation . . .

In rendering loyal service, we cherish the friendship we receive in return . . . Our thanks and season's greetings to all.

M. G. Wilson & Sons
Fuel Oil — At Your Service
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At your call when sorrow or emergency arise — we greet you in these happier days, and trust the coming year will bring you gladness and prosperity a-plenty.

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Funeral Directors Ambulance Service
Lachute, Que.

OUR BEST wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year to our friends and numerous customers.

Lachute Yard Goods
Mrs. O. Boudreau, prop.
Main Street — Lachute, Que.

"Merry Christmas"

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!

John McFaul & Son
Men's Wear Tools, Hardware Sporting Goods
(In the Main Shopping Centre)

A MERRY CHRISTMAS, A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To those who have favored us with their patronage in the past year — we extend our appreciation and the heartiest Season's Greetings.

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611 Main St. — LO 2-9042

Hilda's Beauty Parlor

takes this happy occasion to greet all customers and friends, to thank them for their support, and to re-pledge the personal care and consideration so essential to our friendly service.

435 Main St. LO 2-5757

A Merry, Merry Christmas. — Just the same old wish that we have sent during the years we have been serving you. And to this sentiment we add again, our warmest thanks.

Mac E. Walker, Insurance
Office, LO 2-5474 Residence, LO 2-2191

Thanking you for your encouragement in our business this past year, and with assurance of our best services at all times — we wish you all the Season's Greetings!

Chez Guy
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We want you to know that we appreciate the business you have given us, and shall strive earnestly to merit its continuance in the New Year to come. Compliments of this glad festive season, from —

Salon Leger — Hairdressing
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We are mindful of our debt to our friends who have favored our business, a debt of gratitude we can never fully repay.

G. Guilbert Enr.
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Our best wishes to all for a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

J. U. Nadon, Jeweller
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Christmas is here again and to all our friends we wish a Holiday filled with great joy and good health.

Lachute Lumber & Millwork Ltd.
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As Shepherds Watched

What is that sudden blaze of light
That's streaming from the sky,
As though our God Himself
looked down
From his heavenly home on high?

The youthful lad in great amaze
The excited question asked
Of one grown old in shepherd's
ways,
Intent upon his tasks.

His eyes, low-bent, he saw no
light,
His head was bowed by years.
The lad upon whom the light
so shone
Was shaken by strange fears.

He cried aloud until all heard
And gazed aloft in wonder,
For angel forms in heavenly robes,
Had rent the dark, asunder.

The dull-brown hills were
turned to gold;
An oxen shed close by
Was lighted as by many lamps;
They heard a mother's cry.

A song, descending from above,
Amazed their listening ears,
A sense of Peace warmed every
heart
And calmed their anxious fears.

A prophecy recalled by them
From parchments read of old
Proved that this glorious sight
and song
Had truly been foretold.

As angels sang of Heavenly Love,
Peace and Goodwill to men,
God's only Son had come to earth,
A Saviour, born for them.

Their startled flocks were left
to graze
As each one knelt in line.
Their shepherd's crooks close
by their sides,
To worship at His Shrine.

— Janet Pollock Graham

Note: Legend has it that it was a young boy who first noticed the light spreading over the earth.



Festive seafood casseroles, such as this Company Tuna Bake, are favorite dishes for holiday supper parties.

— Department of Fisheries of Canada photo

Festive Seafood Casseroles

During the holiday season, casseroles will be featured at many a supper party — and with good reason. These easygoing dishes can be prepared in advance, don't require watching in the oven, and stay hot in their handsome containers until guests are ready for seconds.

Seafoods can be counted on to make elegant party casseroles. How would you like one containing husky chunks of tuna and cooked, frozen asparagus, baked together in a creamy, toasted almond sauce? Or perhaps tender morsels of crab meat baked in a cherry-flavored sauce attractively flecked with bits of red pimento and green pepper. Recipes for both of these delicacies have been supplied by the home economists of Canada's Department of Fisheries.

Company Tuna Bake

2 Cans (7 ounces each) tuna,
2 packages (10 ounces each), frozen asparagus,
½ cup chopped blanched almonds,
¼ cup butter (melted),
¼ cup flour,
½ teaspoon salt,
¼ teaspoon pepper,
few grains nutmeg,
2 cups milk,
1 tablespoon sherry (optional),
paprika.

Drain tuna and break into large pieces. Cover asparagus with boiling salted water. Heat until water returns to boiling point; drain. Cut asparagus into 1-inch pieces. Place in a greased 1-quart casserole. Top with tuna. Fry almonds in butter until golden brown. Blend in flour and seasonings. Add milk gradually and cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add sherry. Pour over tuna and asparagus. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) for 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

Crab Charlotte Casserole

3 Cups cooked crab meat — or 3 cans (6½ ounces each) crab —
¼ cup butter or margarine,
¼ cup flour,
2 cups milk,
2 tablespoons minced onion,
½ teaspoon celery salt,
¼ teaspoon grated orange rind,
1 tablespoon chopped parsley,
1 tablespoon minced green pepper,
1 pimento (finely chopped),
2 drops Tabasco sauce,
2 tablespoons sherry,
1 egg (beaten),
½ cup fresh bread crumbs,
½ cup grated cheddar cheese, pimento or tomato for garnish.

Remove any shell or cartilage from crab meat. If using canned crab, drain. Break meat into large pieces. Melt butter; blend in flour. Add milk gradually and cook until thick and smooth, stirring constantly. Add onion, pimento, Tabasco sauce, and sherry. Stir a little of hot sauce into egg; add to remaining sauce, stirring constantly. Add crab meat. Turn into a greased 1½-quart casserole. Mix bread crumbs and the cheese. Sprinkle around top edge of casserole. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) for 15 minutes. Remove from oven and garnish top with pimento cut in shape of a poinsettia flower, or a whirl of thinly cut tomato wedges. Place under broiler and broil for about 2 minutes to lightly brown the crumbs. Makes 6 servings.

Unusual ideas for festive table

The Christmas season calls for entertaining and this generally means attractive buffet and table decorations. These should be practical yet outstanding and should enhance your overall color scheme. Starting with the table covering, here are a few suggestions we have gathered together.

Try dyeing an old cotton lace table cloth in an appropriate color for Christmas and your dining area. If your decorations are green and gold try dyeing the cloth yellow green — underneath the lace cloth put a dark green felt cloth. At the corners make garlands with evergreen boughs and gold Christmas balls.

You might make your Christmas table look like a large gift. Get some wallpaper — say a white ground with gold and silver in the design — over the entire top surface and down on the sides about six to eight inches make a box shape.

Run the wallpaper lengthwise. Ready pasted papers will help you to stick the pieces together. Then take some crepe paper or some wide ribbon, in a contrasting color, and run it down the centre and across.

Make a large bow for your centrepiece and put some pine cones sprayed gold or a fruit arrangement in the centre of the bow. It is novel yet practical as the wallpaper will be washable and any minor spills can be wiped off.

Another idea for wallpaper on the table is to make place mats. You can cut out whatever shape you like — round, oblong, triangular or crescent. You can edge these mats with scallops or use pinking shears to give the mats an edging.

If you want something that is a little more unusual and dressier, try edging the mats with braid or tinsel.

To add brilliance and a Chrstmasy look put, in the upper left hand corner, a grouping or a corsage — your guests can take these away with them.

PERSONALIZED GIFTS

A little bit of time and a small amount of paint are all you need to add a distinctive personal touch to gifts for some of the "special" individuals on your Christmas list. By adding a few decorative designs with paint you can transform a simple item into a treasured present. Little designs, first names, initials that you can do so easily yourself are extra-cost items if you purchase them as ready-made presents.

Gift shops, novelty and notion counters are brimming with possibilities for making attractive presents. Small apothecary jars enamelled in gay colors make ideal spice sets. When the enamel is dry, label each jar in large, easy-to-read contrasting letters. A just-right gift for the culinary expert on your list. The same assortment of jars labelled for nails, bolts, screws and the like will make a fine present for a do-it-yourself enthusiast.

To please a garden enthusiast, pick up a few gardening tools at the hardware store. Coat the handles in a bright colored enamel, and later add a few decorative designs. You will actually be doing the receiver a double service, for the colorful handles will make the tools easier to spot in the grass and serve as identification for borrowing neighbors.

Paints which come in handy aerosol spray cans are ideal for painting small items, are as simple to use as shaving cream or hair spray.



Big and little sister dresses

Old-fashioned charm is combined with modern function in these 65 per cent "Terylene" 35 per cent cotton broadcloth dresses. Rich lace borders the pin-tucked yoke and three-quarter sleeves, enhancing the appearance of these big and little sister dresses.

GIFT PROBLEM?

Send a giff subscription to The Watchman.

Baby Sitter Tips As Holiday Nears

Christmas is a busy time for parents—and a busy time for baby sitters, since parents are constantly on the go as the holiday approaches. Thus, a word to parents:

- Know your sitter personally, or be certain of her recommendations.
- Be sure that she is old enough to know what to do in case of an emergency; and young enough to be able to do it.
- Leave memo beside the telephone, telling her exactly where you are going and how you may be reached if needed.
- Leave telephone number of fire department and police in conspicuous place.
- Instruct sitter to keep children out of kitchen, if possible, and be sure she realizes that matches, electric cords and appliances are not playthings.
- Turn off Christmas tree lights when you leave, or instruct sitter to be certain that children stay away from the tree.
- Be sure that sitter knows what to do in case of fire: get children out of house; notify fire department; notify parents, in that order.
- Come home at the hour agreed upon, or telephone sitter if unavoidably delayed.
- Have a safe, happy holiday.

WHAT WISE MEN DID

Tradition says that the Three Wise Men, after returning to their kingdoms from Bethlehem, gave up their high positions, gave their property to the poor, and went out to preach the gospel of Christianity.

Hints for motorists and shoppers

For a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, drivers and pedestrians alike should remember the three c's; care, caution and courtesy. They're especially needed during the holiday season when crowds are large and many people are preoccupied with what to get Aunt Minnie. . . . So:

For Motorists —

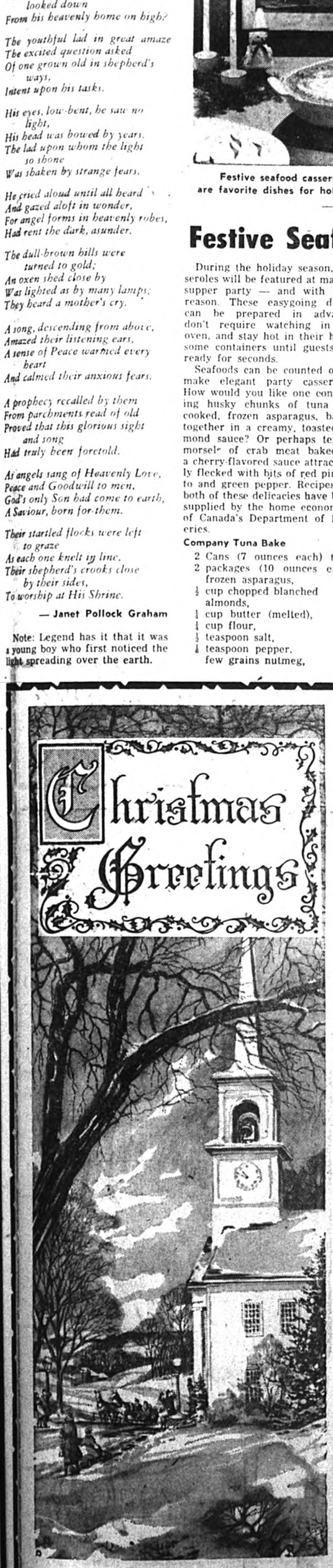
1. Stay alert when driving in congested holiday traffic.
2. Slow down at night.
3. Keep your headlights and tail-lights clean.
4. Be especially alert for careless pedestrians.
5. Always have your windshield clear. Keep packages off the back shelf so you have an unobstructed view.

For Pedestrians —

1. Pretend the driver doesn't see you and take precautions accordingly.
2. Cross only at intersections and with traffic lights.
3. Look both ways before crossing streets — even one-way thoroughfares.
4. Don't carry packages so that they obscure your vision.
5. Don't dash into the street to get a taxi. Another vehicle may get YOU.



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Parties can be impromptu, games add zest to fun!

Parties on Christmas Day are not only fun, they're pretty well inevitable! The family gets together, neighbors drop in, other friends arrive to deliver gifts and greetings and, suddenly, it's a party.

For groups large or small, parties planned or impromptu, the editors of The Book of Knowledge suggest these entertaining ideas:

Exchanging Gifts

Attach each gift card to a long string, then fasten the string to the gift package. Make a gifts chimney from cardboard covered with Christmas wrapping paper, or cover a round container such as a wastebasket.

Finding the Gifts

Place the gifts in the fireplace and have guests or members of the family find their gifts by following the name cards and strings, through the other entangling strings, to the gift packages.

Carols

Singing carols to piano, radio or record accompaniment is a favorite Christmas Day pastime. For larger groups, a variation on this is to have a "carol mixer".

Using several carols, give everyone the name of a Christmas carol. Each person walks around the room humming the assigned carol, and listening for others humming the same tune. Those with the same melody band together in a group.

Then each group sings its selection for the others — and as a finale, all groups sing their separate carols at the same time.

Artists' March

Have each person pin a card or sheet of blank paper on the person in front of him. The leader starts a single-file march around the room, to Christmas music.

While marching, each person struggles to draw a reindeer, or other appropriate Christmas subject, on the card pinned to the player in front of him. To add to the difficulty and the fun, the leader can take the file around in circles or weave in and out of the line.

After the march is over, the results are exhibited and, if an extra gift is handy, a prize can be awarded to the one who has drawn something that best resembles a reindeer.

Spirit of joy prevails with advent of Christmas season

Festive Day brings glad surprises, in exchange of gifts and greetings

By Anna Mang

It's the day before Christmas, and all through the town; the spirit of joy and festivity is stirring, as the time of celebration approaches. The whirlwind of pre-Christmas preparations nears an end, as the last gifts are bought and wrapped, the final decorations are hung on the tree and the last-minute plans are made for Christmas feasts and parties.

Because Christmas is first of all a day of worship, the day celebrated as Christ's birthday, it will be observed with reverence and thanksgiving. In churches this week-end, special Christmas services will tell, in song and story, of the Babe who was born in Bethlehem.

Youngsters Prepare

As this preview is written, probably, more than one young performer in a Christmas play or pageant is rehearsing his or her part with Mother, and young carolers are practicing the beloved Christmas songs. In churches and in homes, manger scenes large and small depict the inspiring sight of the Babe with Mary and Joseph, with adoring shepherds and Wise Men.

And because Christmas is a day of rejoicing, it will be celebrated with hapinness and warmth. The hearts of children and their elders, too, will be gladdened as gifts and greetings are exchanged.

It's Day for Sharing

Surpises are waiting under the tree, and tomorrow morning, after Santa's visit, there will be still more, along with many little gifts tucked into stockings, and gaily wrapped packages waiting to be delivered to relatives and friends.

Christmas is a day to share, because Christmas means kindness and generosity. The opportunity it brings to make the lives of less fortunate neighbors happier is a gift in itself. For the ill, the lonely, the aged and the needy, tomorrow will bring a merrier Christmas because the people of this community have sought to share with them the good things of the holiday.

In the hearts of those who helped, there is a special peace and joy.

Christmas is a day to treasure many intangible gifts, to rejoice in the smiling faces and wondering eyes of little children, to cherish and strengthen friendships and family ties, to count the blessings of health, happiness and love, to renew faith and hope.

Christmas is a time to remember. For the youngest children, it is a time to store up memories for the future, of Santa and gifts, feasting and fun, caroling and viewing the manger scene.

For those who have left childhood behind, it is a time to recall the memories of Christmases past, and a time to see the wonders of the day with the fresh joy of a child.

Time for Good Wishes

Christmas is a time to give and receive good wishes. "Merry Christmas" and "Happy Holiday" will be said in many ways — as they are said in today's edition of this newspaper, by businessmen of the community who observe the season of friendliness and good will with special greetings and words of appreciation to their customers and friends.

In homes, the greeting cards are opened, often to become part of the decorations and always to be read with pleasure for the messages they bring from near and far. Whether the mail has brought cards from the neighbors next door or a card and a Christmas note from a distant friend, greetings warm the heart.

Christmas is a time to be merry. It's a day for laughter and singing, a day when even strangers are friends, and passersby on the street smile at one another. It's a day when the stresses of life are forgotten, when joy replaces care, and personal worries disappear in thoughtfulness for others.

Old Customs Honored

Christmas is a time to observe old customs. All the lore of the day as it is celebrated in many lands, as it has been celebrated throughout the centuries, comes to make this Christmas richer in happiness and contentment.

Christmas is a time for traditions. Every family has its own, and the special rituals of gift-giving, feasting, parties, stories, meetings with friends and relatives, grow in meaning and grow dearer each year they are observed.

Christmas is a time to say, as did Dickens' Tiny Tim, "God bless us every one."



White Christmas?

HOLLYWOOD MAGIC . . . There is beauty to delight the eye when heavy snowfall blankets the earth and a clear stream courses like a ribbon through fields and forests of white. When the snow comes during the Christmas season, it's all the more wonderful



Saint Nicholas, the beloved gift-giver, was born in the semi-tropical city of Patara, Turkey and lived a full and colorful life without traveling very far from home.

It is said that he was marked for holiness from the day of his birth, at which time, according to legend, he stood up in his mother's arms to give thanks to God for being born. Even as an infant, he refused to nurse on Fridays, and he observed this fast day as long as he lived.

The origin of the three golden balls which hang over the modern pawnshop is found in a typical story about Saint Nicholas. Three daughters of a poor nobleman, so poor they had no dowries, were trying to decide which one of the three should sell herself as a slave so the others could marry. Saint Nicholas heard their discussion and tossed a bag of gold through the open window and he repeated the act of generosity until all three girls were suitably married. This was the beginning of legend of Nicholas, the saintly donor of gifts.

Later, as Bishop of Myra, he performed miracles which brought him widespread fame. The Roman Emperor Diocletian threw him into prison; Constantine, the first Christian emperor, released him.

Today, Saint Nicholas is the patron saint of many countries, of children, and of sailors.

Saint Nicholas died in 342, on Dec. 6, and for centuries his fame was restricted to the small area in which he had lived and died. In the 11th century, Italian sailors took his bones from the chapel in Myra and brought them to Bari, Italy. The voyage was an excellent one and since that time sailors have revered Saint Nicholas—and his fame has spread to the far corners of the earth.

Novel ornaments adorn far lands

It is customary among the Czechs and Slovaks, say the editors of The Encyclopedia Americana, to break a branch off a cherry tree at the beginning of Advent, place it in a pot of water in the kitchen and keep it in the warm air. The twig is then supposed to burst into blossom at Christmas time and make a festive decoration.

The Christmas festival in China is Sheng Dan Jieh, the Holy Birth Festival. Paper decorations and evergreens adorn churches and homes. The Christmas tree is decorated with paper flowers, colored paper chains and cotton snowflakes.



If you are planning an outdoor lighting display for the first time this year, here are some suggestions which should be helpful.

Don't use old lighting sets unless necessary. If you do, check carefully for loose connections and defective bulbs.

If you must use a combination of old and new light strings, use the new strings, with new bulbs, in decorating the high or hard-to-reach places—such as the top of the tree or on the roof. New strings and new bulbs are less likely to burn out.

Don't use the small, series-wired bulbs, for outdoor display. Hunting for defective bulbs on the indoor tree is bad enough; you certainly won't like to take on this task outdoors. Use the larger bulbs which burn out individually and replacing the bad ones will take less than a minute.

Don't overload your extension cord. Your house circuit is no doubt equipped to carry an extra load. A single extension cord, however, has a low capacity, so use more than one extension cord if you use a number of strings.

Cards express sentiments merry, friendly or reverent

Friendly, merry, reverent or grateful — Christmas sentiments find expression in greeting cards at the holiday season.

Just when the sending of greeting cards first began is a question that may never be settled, especially since it is always possible that early examples of printed Christmas greetings are waiting to be found among private books and papers.

The Cole-Horsley card is considered by many to be the first published Christmas card. It was designed in Britain in 1943 by John Calcott Horsley, a well-known artist of the period, for Sir Henry Cole, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

The card bears the now-universal greeting, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You." It shows a joyous family seated at Christmas dinner.

A copy of the card, discovered in England in recent years by a representative of Hallmark, is now part of the Hallmark Historic Collection, housed at the greeting card company's headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

Louis Prang of Boston, and art-loving lithographer, published the best known early Christmas greetings in the U.S. He conducted art and literary competitions for greeting card material, and published cards of outstandingly high quality.

KING ARTHUR'S YULE

According to story, the first Christmas in England was celebrated at the famous Round Table of King Arthur.


BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES TO ALL OUR FRIENDS.

LACHUTE FARM EQUIPMENT

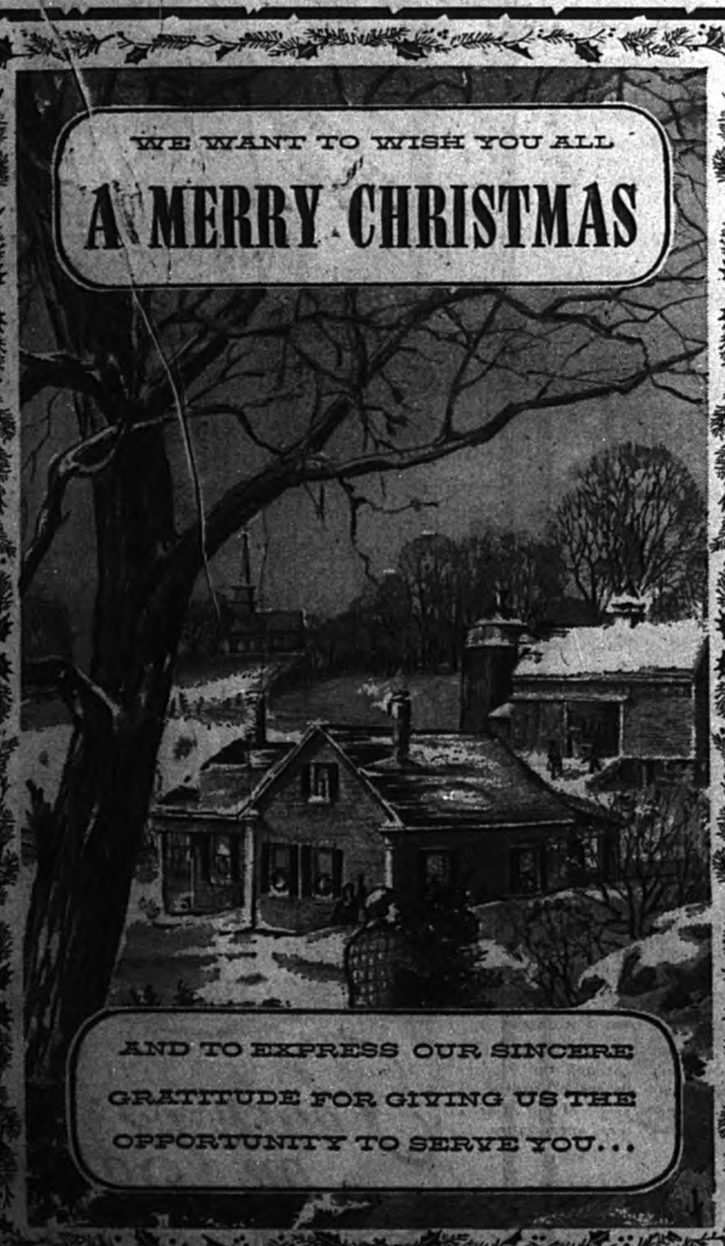
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Sincere wishes for a joyous Holiday to you and yours.

S. W. Rodger
GENERAL INSURANCE
Lachute, R.R. 2 LO 2-5883

WE WANT TO WISH YOU ALL
A MERRY CHRISTMAS



AND TO EXPRESS OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOU...

LEONARD BEDARD
District Distributor for
MOLSON


Merry Christmas
To our many good friends and customers we would like to extend the greetings of the Season and our warmest appreciation for your valued patronage.

BOLODROME
Main St. (Brunette Brothers) Lachute

Good will to men...
Wishing you all the joys and blessings made known to us by His birth.

FAIRWAY SALES & SERVICE
Radiator Service — Gasoline — Lubrication
Tires — Batteries, etc.
280, BETHANY LACHUTE



Santa Claus is the special friend of the young, which makes it only fitting that the town of Santa Claus, Indiana was named by children.

Today, thousands of children, from all parts of the world, write to Santa Claus c/o Santa Claus, Ind., and each of them receives a return letter from Santa Claus himself.

The stage was set for this happy situation more than one hundred years ago. The citizens of this small Indiana town were gathered to select a new name for their community. Originally, it was called Santa Fe, but postal authorities suggested selection of another name since there already was a Santa Fe in New Mexico.

Timely Arrival

Community leaders were considering a number of names for the town when someone dressed as Santa Claus came in. Immediately, the children in the audience shouted "Santa Claus!" "Santa Claus!" The adults thought the name sounded fine, so the town of Santa Claus was born.

Business booms in the Santa Claus post office each year as Christmas approaches. Last year the post office handled well over 10,000 letters addressed to the old gentleman with the red suit and white whiskers—and each child who enclosed a return address received a personal reply from Santa Claus himself.

Many of the letters received are in foreign languages, but Postmaster Elbert E. Reinke enlists the aid of monks at nearby St. Meinrad Monastery and they translate. Answers to foreign letters, the postmaster explains, are adapted to the different customs and ideas that children of other lands may have about the holiday season.

Personal Reply

The American Legion at Santa Claus handles the letter writing operation each Christmas, sending a personal reply to each child who has included a return address.

Adults don't write to Santa Claus, but many of them do have their Christmas cards mailed from Santa Claus, Ind., so they will bear the unusual postmark. In all, the busy Santa Claus post office handles well over 3,000,000 pieces of mail during the holiday season.

What About Frankincense And Myrrh?

Gold has always been one of man's most treasured possessions; but what about frankincense and myrrh, the other substances which the Wise Men chose to offer as gifts to the infant Jesus? Why were they so highly valued?

Frankincense and myrrh are resins taken from trees and shrubs found on the dry rock-strewn hills of Somaliland and southwestern Arabia. Peoples of antiquity used the two substances for a variety of purposes—for embalming and in cosmetics, perfumes, medicines, and incense.

Frankincense

Somaliland is chief producer of frankincense, although some comes from Arabia. Most frankincense comes from a small shrub-like tree with a stout trunk and pale brown and yellow bark. Its flowers are grouped in slender clusters and the fragrance of the blossoms is discernable for a considerable distance.

The resin flows from natural fissures in the bark of the tree, or from man-made incisions. It emerges as a whitish, viscous liquid that turns yellow and clings to the wound in the tree like tears. Every few days the resin is collected and the wound in the tree is freshened.

Ancient Arab traders introduced frankincense to many peoples. Today, the yellow tears and brown lumps of resin are sent to the seaport of Aden to be shipped to Europe, America, or Bombay.

Myrrh From Somaliland

Myrrh is obtained from trees of several species and most of it comes from Somaliland. Some of the trees are from ten to thirty feet tall, other myrrh-producing plants are mere bushes.

Myrrh flows freely from a break in the bark of the tree or plant and is collected in brownish-yellow or red brown masses that may be as large as a hen's egg.

The ancients used myrrh in embalming; the Egyptians used it in the mummification process and Roman physicians prescribed myrrh in treatment of dropsy, earache, eye diseases, bladder stones, abscesses and broken heads.

Frankincense was chiefly used for incense, yet was an early ingredient in prescriptions for chest pain, hemorrhoids, hemorrhages from the mouth and throat, broken heads, paralyzed limbs, bruises and ulcers.

Christmas Feast Huge Affair In Olden Days

Possibly one of the greatest Christmas feasts of all time was that sponsored by King Henry VIII in Westminster Hall in 1248. He had tents erected and artificial gardens plotted within the spacious hall of his palace.

Knights came out of the tents to joust in tournaments and fantastically dressed dancers covered from head to foot with gay ribbon streamers emerged from the gardens to entertain the guests.

Cost of the gold cloth used in the celebration amounted to 600 pounds alone.

Preparation for the feasting on such occasions can only be vaguely comprehended by considering that Richard II normally employed 2,000 cooks to prepare food for the 10,000 persons who shared his festive board.

Mistletoe prescribed for kissing, was once thought to cure illness

An ancient custom which 'prescribed' mistletoe for the prevention and cure of a wide variety of illnesses — epilepsy, for instance — has given way to the happier idea that mistletoe is the right prescription to assure opportunities for exchanging kisses during the holiday season.

Naturally, this makes mistletoe an object of interest — as it has been for centuries.

Druid priests in early Britain cut mistletoe at the winter solstice and gave sprigs of it to the people. The sprigs were hung above the doorways of homes and stables. The Druids taught, and the people believed, that his vine had great power to ward off evil and protect against illness.

Despite the early interest in mistletoe for its supposed medicinal qualities, its use as a 'prescription for kissing' had a place in the ancient world, too.

Romans and other early peoples considered mistletoe as an emblem of peace. Meeting under it, enemies kissed each other and made a truce until the next day.

Scandanavian myths tell the story of the death of Balder, the sun god, who was, so mythology says, killed by an arrow of mistletoe wood. His mother, the goddess Freya, had asked all living things to pledge not to harm her son, but neglected to ask the lowly mistletoe.

Balder's enemy, the lame god Loki, took advantage of this to make the arrow, which he persuaded Hoder, the blind god of winter, to shoot. Balder died, but through the efforts of all the other gods, he came back to life after three days, and the sun's light shone at the winter solstice.

Freya cried for joy, and her tears became mistletoe berries. She kissed everyone who passed under the mistletoe, and ordained that this same sign of affection should always be exchanged when people met beneath the mistletoe.

CHRISTMAS NAMES

Many towns and cities in the United States have names which reflect Christmas in one way or another.

Santa Claus, Indiana, Bethlehem, Conn., and Christmas, Fla., are the best known. Santa Claus and Christmas have sole claim to unusual postmarks, but Bethlehem, Conn., shares "Bethlehem" with six other states.

Virginia and Missouri each boast a Noel; there is an Advent, W. Va., Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah each have a Joseph.

At least one Wiseman is found in Alaska, another in Arkansas and, perhaps, a third in Wisemantown, Kentucky. West Virginia boasts of Goodwill and there is Joy in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, and Texas—as there must also be in Peace Valley, Missouri.

Kentucky, which has its share of Christmasy names, also has a Mistletoe. Louisiana has Trees and you can find an Evergreen in six states.



Fifth Avenue carolers

PEACE ON EARTH . . . New York's Incarnation Boys Choir carol before Fifth Avenue shoppers from two-story glassed-in ticket office of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines. The boys participate in annual Christmas carol festival arranged by the airline.

Merry Christmas



To all of our many friends, we extend heartfelt good wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

ALBERT MALACKET

MEN'S WEAR, HABERDASHERY

543 MAIN — LACHUTE



May the true spirit of Christmas bestow its blessings on you and yours.

LACHUTE FLOORING Reg.

LO 2-6040 — "THE CARPET CENTRE" 610 Main Street (Fernand Lagarde and Staff) — LACHUTE

At This Festive Season

may we express to you our appreciation of the cordial relations between us, and extend best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Bountiful New Year.

J. P. MacKimmie & Sons

Bottlers; Authorized Distributors of Coca-Cola
Foundry St., Lachute.

Cordially thanking the public for their support in all our ventures, and assuring our co-operation for the welfare of this good community — the SEASON'S GREETINGS from —

Ladies' Auxiliary (Legion 70)

Pride in our craft goes hand-in-hand with the high regard we place upon our clients. Wishing our friends the SEASON'S GREETINGS —

Lachute Upholstering Reg.

Aimé Trudel — Main St. W., Lachute

THANKS to all who have encouraged my business. In their satisfaction I have been well repaid.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Hardie Lucky Dollar Market

Andrew Hardie, proprietor
Maple Ave. S. — LE 3-6610 — Brownsburg

Thanks — Greetings

We greatly appreciate your support, and we trust that the New Year will bring you Success in generous measure, and bountiful Prosperity.

Pariseau & Fils Ltée

General Store — Brownsburg

IT'S A PLEASURE — to wish all of our friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We thank you sincerely for your friendship and patronage, and trust that we may continue to be of service to you.

Campbell's Snack Bar

Light Lunches, Magazines, Chocolates, Cigarettes
Brownsburg, Que.

Happy Days!

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.

J. A. Campbell

Lumber Merchant — Brownsburg - Dalesville

HAPPY YULETIDE to all. Even as the bonds of friendship are strengthened at this Yuletide Season, so may our business associations engender mutual accord and confidence. Your complete happiness is our wish!

Kettyle's Jewelry & Gift Shop

McMaster St. — LE 3-4442 — Brownsburg

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 —

S. F. Harris Building Components (REG.)

Maple Ave., Brownsburg

Time and season swiftly pass — but the old-time sincerity and friendship remain unchanged in all our dealings. We thank our customers, and wish them all
— A MERRY CHRISTMAS

B. & P. Hall Bros. Ltd.

Grading, Excavating, Trucking — Brownsburg, Que.

TO ALL of you whom we have faithfully endeavored to serve for many years — a very Merry Christmas, and sincerest thanks.

Anders Paulsen, Florist

Henry Street — Lachute, Que.

Christmas Greetings

Our Best

May the Christmas Season bring you deep and abiding peace.

Accept herewith our sincere greetings and appreciation of your business in the past year.

G. R. Campbell — Bell Falls

Many Thanks

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.

Don Boa's Motor Sales Ltd.

VOLKSWAGEN Sales & Service
Chatham Street, Lachute

May Christmas bring joy, and peace and contentment, and may the New Year be one filled with health and prosperity. . . Your associations have made the past year a pleasant one, and we trust these friendships may continue for many years to come.

Wilson & Gordon Reg.

Toys, Tools, Hardware; Glidden Paints & Varnish
(In the Main Shopping Centre)

Season's Heartiest Greetings

ALLOW US to extend to you our most sincere wishes for your happiness at Christmastide and throughout the coming year. . . Our thanks and hearty good wishes!

Guy Belanger

Rings, Jewelry — Diamonds — Cameras, Projectors
402 Main Street, Lachute.
(In the Main Shopping Centre)

MERRY CHRISTMAS — HEUREUX NOEL

Thanks to our past customers — greetings to new friends — and our assurance of courtesy and best service.

Yvon Cadieux

Watchmaker, Jeweller — Gifts, Novelties
(In the Main Shopping Centre)

THANKS AND GOOD WISHES

Thanking our friends for past support, and with sincere good wishes for the Festive Season —

Whissell Cement Products

R.R. 5, Lachute, Que.
Cement Pipes — Building Blocks — Chimney Blocks

We Take Pleasure

in extending to our many friends and the community at large, our sincere greetings for a very MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Mme A. Gervais

(In the Main Shopping Centre)
Children's Wear
(next Cunningham News-stand) Main Street

Good Wishes — Good Pleasure

We offer these in generous measure. Good literature for your enjoyment through the year. . . Experience the congenial atmosphere of our library headquarters, and the friendly spirit of our staff — who greet you now, with sincere appreciation for your support.

Carrefour du Livre

Your Friendly Library
283 Main Street W. — Lachute, Que.

Canadian Legion stands steadfast for the rights of those who served — and for every factor ensuring Peace, as the heritage of this generation and those to come. . . Our good wishes to all.

Legion Branch 70, Lachute

May the Christmas bells ring in a most happy season. May the true spirit of the Yuletide linger on through every day of the coming year, as a reward for your thoughtfulness and kindness. Our thanks and sincere good wishes.

Russell Rodgers

Farm Implements — Lachute, Que.

We take this opportunity of thanking you for your patronage during the past year, and of wishing you the Compliments of the Season.

British American Oil Co.

Foundry St. — LO 2-2626

Christmas . . .

brings this opportunity to greet our friends, and also to thank the customers who have made our business both pleasant and profitable.

Fernando Carrière

Epicier - Grocer — Restaurant — Foundry St.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS. — Time-worn words, but the most appropriate of them all. When we say "Merry Christmas" you can be sure that it is expressed with genuine appreciation of its true meaning.

Linton Armstrong

723 Main St. — INSURANCE — LO 2-5005

We take pleasure in extending to our many friends and the community at large our Sincere Greetings for a Very Merry Christmas

Doug Hay's Service Station

Service and Repairs — Brownsburg Road

A Merry Christmas

A YULETIDE wish to you — and you — and you. May old Santa remember you with many things in token of our appreciation of the kindnesses with which you have remembered us during the past year. — Merry Christmas, and a Prosperous New Year.

Bédard LTÉE — Your MAIN STREET GIFT SHOP

With the Compliments of the Season and all good wishes.

Roland Ménard

Ambulance & Undertaking Service
Funeral Parlors — LO 2-4114 — 397 Grace Street

Merry Christmas

and a New Year to bring more joy and happiness than you dare to hope for!

Marthe Lingerie

Infants' and Tots' Wear, Specialty
591 Main St. — LO 2-5414

The Compliments of the Season

SINCERELY grateful for your patronage and good will, I extend to all—my sincerest greetings at this season.

Bill Davis

Willys Jeep & Trucks — McKee Shredder Harvesters
St. Jerome Highway, R. R. 3, 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".

Parker's Tune-Up Service

(Kenneth Parker)
Automobile and Truck Service
558 Robert St. — LO 2-2371 — Lachute, Que.

The charm of the Yuletide Season lies in the thought that we live in the memory of our friends.

Thanks again for your loyal support.

T. McOuat & Son Ltd.

Cor. Millway & Princess Sts. — West End

Tradition helped as Washington crossed river

During the American Revolution, George Washington used his knowledge of Christmas celebrations to take an important step toward peace.

Puritan settlers in the New World disapproved of Christmas festivities, but Washington knew that the Hessian soldiers, employed by George III to fight the colonists, would observe Christmas as they had done at home.

On December 25-26, 1776, he crossed the Delaware, attacked and put to rout the surprised Hessians who had been obliviously sleeping off the effects of their holiday festivities.

Young Japanese heed Hoteiosho

Although Santa Claus doesn't visit Japanese homes, the native god Hoteiosho, the kind old gentleman who carries a pack on his back and has eyes in the back of his head, makes a realistic substitute gift bearer. Boys and girls are warned to be good, because the all-seeing Hoteiosho knows everything they are doing.



Peace and joy to you and your loved ones during this glorious season.

Lachute Creamery Ltd.

22, WATER LO 2-5271 LACHUTE

Christmas Custom

Some folks pick up a box of Christmas cards and mail them out.

Others snap a picture of the children under the tree to illustrate their Yuletide greetings.

But for 25 years, a State College, Pa., couple have been doing it differently, and their friends won't let them stop now.

They are David and Madeline Campbell who for the past quarter of a century have collected a sty little bits of news from mutual friends—who broke their legs, were married, or had some other dramatic adventure—then boiled the information down and flavored it with Campbell poetry for an annual Christmas letter.

How did the Christmas letter get started?

"Who knows how it got started?" says Madeline. 'How do you quit? Our friends won't let us quit."

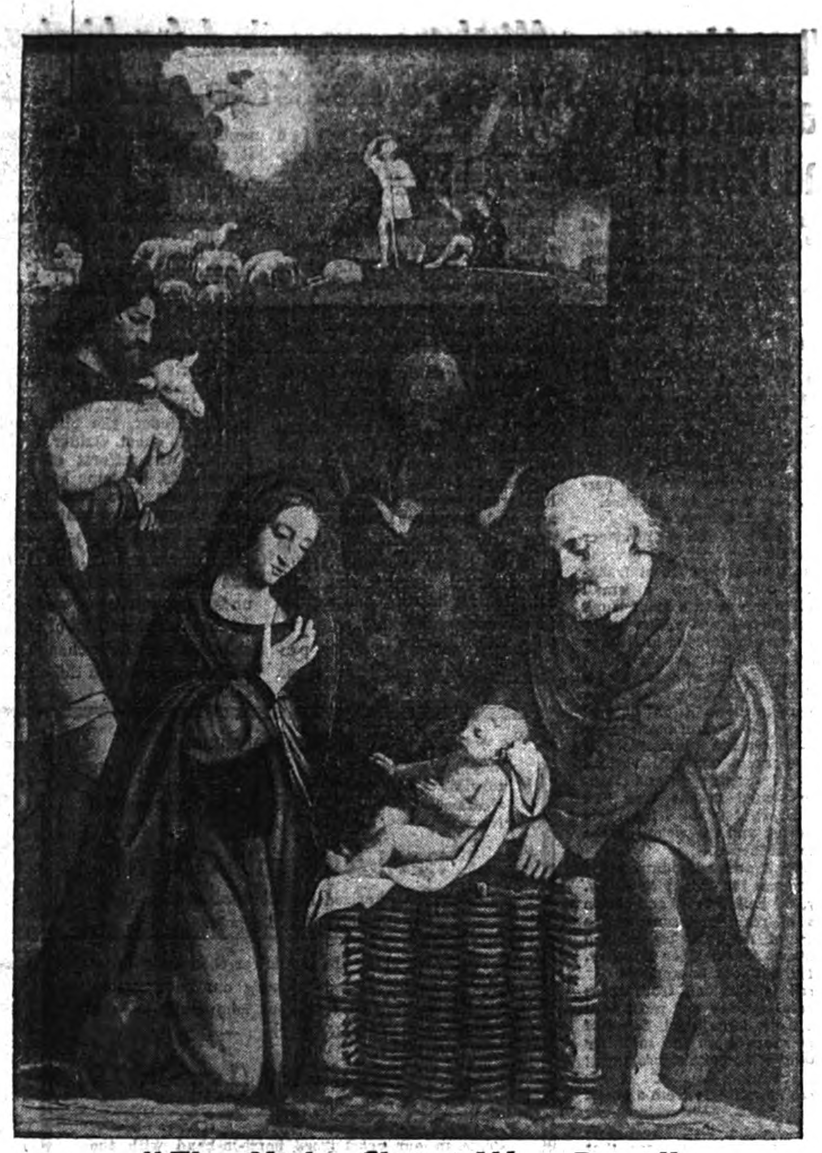
Campbell is a retired Pennsylvania State University professor who for nearly 30 years taught engineering drawing.

Now, he is a once-a-year author and some 500 friends of Dave and Madeline Campbell — in a half dozen foreign countries and most of the United States—refuse to let the dynamic Campbell Christmas letter give way to a conventional card.

CLEARING THE WAY

To St. Nicholas, a bishop of the early Christian church, goes credit for the custom of holiday giving to children.

Housewives in Northern Europe, who had their chimneys cleaned for better heating during the Yule season, told children the work was done to clear the way for St. Nicholas to come down the chimney with gifts for them.



"The Night Christ Was Born"

"The Night Christ Was Born" has been commemorated by artists throughout the ages. One of the first to show the Christ Child in a humble manger scene was Renaissance painter Bernardino Luini, whose painting, "Adoration of the Christ Child," is reproduced above. With the Holy family is a shepherd, and in the background other shepherds are shown with their flocks, as the angels bring glad tidings of the birth of Christ. The painting, from the Samuel H. Kress Collection, is now at the Isaac Delgado Museum of Art in New Orleans, La.

Mystery of Magi leads to legends; only St. Matthew reports visit

Familiar to all is the visit of the Magi to Bethlehem — and yet little is known about it. In the books of the New Testament, only St. Matthew reports the visit.

St. Matthew called them "wise men from the East." In the legends that have developed, they are sometimes called "Magi," because this word, meaning "August", was the name given the priests of the ancient Medes and Persians.

Tradition says they had heard that a bright new star would announce the coming of a Saviour to the world. After years of watching, they saw the star and set out from Babylon to find him.

In Bethlehem, they gave the Christ Child gold in a shrine-shaped casket, a sign that they accepted Him as their King; frankincense, a symbol of His deity; and myrrh in a golden horn, a prophecy of His death.



As Yuletide carolers herald the Season of Joy and Happiness, may we chime in with a note of gratitude for the loyal patronage of our many friends.

J. R. DESJARDINS LO 2-5661 LACHUTE

AMICO and WISHING WELL **BEVERAGES**



A Christmas Prayer

May the spirit of Christmas remain in all men's hearts so that hope and peace and love shall prevail over our land and all other lands on earth.

LA RUCHE de LACHUTE

(Roger Raymond, Manager)

HAMFORD STREET — LACHUTE-AYERSVILLE

Church and home devotions show holy meaning of the holiday

More than a holiday, Christmas is a holy day. In church services and private devotions, Christians commemorate a night of awe and wonder nearly 2,000 years ago, when a Star shone above a Child born in a manger, when angels sang and shepherds watched.

December 25 — as even the youngest children know — is the date. And yet, in the first centuries of the Christian church, there was no celebration of the birth of Christ, no Christmas.

There were festivals in the Decembers of those times, but they were pagan festivals.

Celebrate the Sun

December 25 was the date of the Mithraic rites of the birth of the sun — Mithras, the Persian god of light. Teutonic tribes in Northern Europe celebrated the rebirth of the sun at the winter solstice with a Yuletide season of feasting and rejoicing, while the Roman's winter festival, the Saturnalia, was held at about the time that is now the Christmas season.

How then did December 25 come to be, not a day of pagan festivals, but a day dedicated to Christian devotions?

Some scholars believe that the Christian church may have set December 25 as Christ's birth date in order that the traditions of winter festivals might be hallowed by association with the Nativity. When the date was established in the fourth century A.D., other dates that were considered included January 1, March 21, March 29, April 9 and September 29.

Gain New Meaning

Christmas began to be generally celebrated on December 25 in the fifth century A.D. People continued the familiar merry-making customs of the winter festivals, but they linked them to Christmas instead of to pagan revelry.

Where formerly pagan people had looked to mythological gods of the sun as source of the rebirth of light, now they gradually changed to religious observances of the Saviour's birth, with its symbols of faith, hope and life eternal.

From the winter festivals come many of the traditions that are now part of Christmas. The Roman Saturnalia provided a model for Christmas feasting, the giving of gifts and the burning of candles.

Christmas lighting also derives from winter solstice rites, where lights played an important part. The Teutonic Yule feast contributed the customs of the Yule log and wassail bowl.

When winter festivals merged with Christmas, customs such as gift-giving gained a new and deeper meaning.

"Gifts" for Him

Christians felt that they should celebrate Christ's birthday with "gifts" for Him — commemorating Christmas with a renewal of resolve to perfect the virtues of generosity, compassion, peace, gratitude and reverence. Giving to the less fortunate became important.

As Christmas became a holy day, many peoples began exchanging presents on other days — St. Nicholas' feast day, December 6, or Epiphany, January 6, for instance. In some countries these customs still continue, with Christmas reserved solely for worship.

DESLAURIERS & MARCIL INC.

— INSURANCE BROKERS —

498, Main LO 2-5291 Lachute, Que.

Be Sure That Toys You Give Are Safe

The anticipation of a visit from Santa Claus makes Christmas an exciting time for youngsters. The wide variety of toys on the market today makes the adult job of shopping for the kids likewise an adventure. But a word of caution is as timely as the season.

Some of the toys on the market today—such as miniature rockets, airplanes and automobiles—use kerosene, gasoline, or carbide for fuels. Parents, uncles and aunts should be certain that the toys they buy for children are safe.

Electrical toys, or those using fuels and chemicals, are wonderful gifts, but parents or adults should supervise their use.



TO EXTEND TO YOU A MOST CORDIAL GREETING FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS FOR YOUR KIND PATRONAGE.

Boyd's Express Limited

"Ship the Safe Way"

Bethany Road LO 2-2434 Lachute, Que.



Better watch out!

IT'S LIKE THIS . . . Old Kris Kringle makes a point, with extended finger, and young ears and eyes are keyed to every word. You can bet, after hearing Santa's words, these youngsters will be on good behavior from now on—at least until Christmas.

In any language, anywhere —

It's Merry Christmas everywhere!

From Tokyo to West Berlin, from Buenos Aires to Copenhagen — and even in the cities of Russia and the satellite countries — the glow of the Christmas spirit spreads around the world, for Christmas is truly a universal holiday.

The legends and traditions gathered about it are numerous. Customs can, and do, vary from country to country. All nations, through their folklore, have made their special contributions to the traditional ways of celebrating the birthday of Christ.

When the customs of one country are compared with another, it's sometimes hard to believe that the same holiday is being commemorated!

How to Say It

Along with the different ways of observing Christmas, there are, of course, different greetings, according to the language of the country. To give just a few examples, in Sweden it's "God Jul," in French "Joyeux Noel" and in German "Froliche Weihnachten". In Russian, it's "S Rozhdestvon Khristovym".

Whatever the language, the words mean, "Merry Christmas" — and that's the key to the variety of Christmas customs. Though the peoples of many lands have unique Yule traditions, each is a way of expressing the spirit of Christmas — a spirit that is the same everywhere, in every place and time.

At Christmas, the thoughts of people around the world turn to the joys of home, of being with friends, the merriment of feasting and parties, the pleasures of giving and receiving gifts, the satisfaction of helping others. . . . The affirmation of faith, the renewed promise of life eternal and the hope for "Peace on earth, good will toward all men" bring spiritual rewards in a season of worship and prayer.

Share in Tradition

All these things find expression in the Christmas customs of many lands. And, the customs travel from country to country, so that, on a day when sharing with others is a most important part of the celebration, nations share in the memories and traditions of other nations.

Some of these customs are compiled below by the editors of The Book of Knowledge:—

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SAINT IS REALITY

Swedish Yuletide ceremonies begin officially on December 13, St. Lucy's Day. According to legend, St. Lucy went about carrying food and drink to the needy. The Swedes give the legend reality by choosing one of the girls in the family to represent St. Lucy. St. Lucy rises early and wakens each member of the family, serves them coffee and bakes buns.

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OLD CUSTOMS LIVE

Christmas in the United States reflects a heritage of customs from many lands and times. Trees, candles, bells, carols and other well-loved traditions came, like the people of the U.S., from other countries. In many communities, people still celebrate Christmas as their ancestors did.

The U.S. has made its contributions to Christmas customs around the world, too. Santa Claus, bearded and red-suited, was first personified in "The Night Before Christmas" by Dr. Clement Moore. Street decorations, Santas in stores, and special store displays of gifts are U.S. ideas that have been adopted on a global scale.

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PICNICS PLANNED

Australians go in for outdoor picnics at Christmas time, since it's summertime "down under" then.

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GLOW LIKE STARS

In Switzerland, Christmas Day, or Weihnachten, is the traditional opening day of the winter sports season. A colorful sight on Christmas is the fires which are burned on the peaks of the Alps. Like flaming stars, they hang in the dark heavens during Holy Night.

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STATUES HONORED

In Italy the Presepio, or crib, is as characteristic of Christmas, as is the tree in other countries. To the Presepio, people bring gifts of nuts and apples, which they place in the hands of life-sized figures.

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NORWAY PREPARES

In Norway preparations for Christmas traditionally start six months before December 24. The Christmas celebration itself lasts three weeks. The period, according to The Book of Knowledge researchers, is known as the Julafred, or the Peace of Christmas.



There's a difference between the languages, but the meaning is the same — "Merry Christmas." Traditional greeting appears here in Swedish, Czechoslovakian, Chinese, Italian, Greek, Polish, Dutch, German, English, Rumanian Norwegian, French, Spanish, as transcribed by researchers for The Book of Knowledge.



Neighbors

LIGHT OF HOPE . . . The scene above will be as appropriate as ever during the coming holiday season. This photograph, taken a few seasons ago, shows Christmas lights gleaming across the iron curtain from a tree erected by West Berliners at the Brandenburg Gate (background), on the Soviet-British border of the divided city. Every year, citizens of West Berlin decorate a tree on the border as a symbol of hope to their Red-dominated neighbors and a reminder that their hard lot has not been forgotten by the free world.

Redwood is U.S. tree

When Christ was born in Bethlehem, the giant redwood tree that is now the U.S. National Christmas Tree had already been growing for 2,000 years.

Located in King's Canyon National Park, Calif., the tree is a "Sequoia gigantea" — a coniferous, evergreen tree — and its age is estimated, from its annual rings of growth, at 4,000 years. Its majestic redwood trunk rises 267 feet.

The U.S. Department of the Interior officially designated this redwood as the National Christmas Tree on April 28, 1926. Earlier, it had been named the General Grant Tree, for the 18th President.

In December, Christmas services are held annually at the base of the tree, climaxing a month-long Christmas Festival celebration by the citizens of Sanger and neighboring communities of Fresno County, Calif. Members of the National Park Service place a wreath at the base of the tree.

Yule ends in safe blaze

Christmas can come to an end in a blaze of glory — and a safe one, too. Custom sets a date for the disposal of the tree by burning. It's January 6, the Twelfth Night of Christmas, or Epiphany — traditionally the night when the Three Wise Men, or Magi, made their visit to the Christ Child in Bethlehem.

The modern world, reviving the Twelfth Night custom of bonfires for disposing of the tree and other greenery, combines the safety factor with community spirit and fun.

Twelfth Night celebration are planned in many communities in public parks for neighborhood groups. It's a great night for the kids and their parents.

Children bring the trees to the park, or the town collects them. On Twelfth Night everyone gathers around the bonfire of trees and greenery to sing carols.

Christmas Decision

Christmas is always the most important day of the year and one particular Christmas day, in the year 1776, greatly affected the course of American history.

On Christmas day of 1776, the struggle of the new American republic for independence seemed almost hopeless. Tattered, hungry, riddled with dysentery, the American Army was barely hanging on, with little left but hope. Along the banks of the Delaware River, some 2400 men huddled, many shoeless, this bleak Christmas night.

In this setting, General George Washington said to his command: "This is it, gentlemen—victory or death. That is our only watchword.

"Notwithstanding the discouraging accounts, I am determined to cross the river and make the attack on Trenton in the morning."

The rest is history. Washington and his ragged army ignored the snow, ice and sleet to make a dangerous river crossing and an agonizing march to Trenton. Under Washington's inspired leadership, the Americans humbled the vaunted Hessian mercenaries and wrote one of the most glorious pages in the American history book.

Towns named in spirit of Yule get mail deluge

Among the busiest of Santa's helpers at the Yuletide season are post-offices in towns with Christmas names.

In Noel, Mo.; Christmas, Fla.; Santa Claus, Ind.; Bethlehem, Pa., many thousands of packages and cards are received around Christmas time, to be postmarked with the Yule town's name and remailed to other states and countries.

The towns also play host to many visitors during the Christmas season. In Bethlehem and Nazareth, Pa., there are permanent displays and festivals of light, emphasizing the religious meaning and beauty of Christmas.

Santa Claus now a changed man

Santa Claus has undergone quite a metamorphosis in his time. Before Dr. Clement Moore, Santa's appearance was a problem left mostly to individual discretion and personal taste. He might be short or tall, plump or thin, merry or solemn.

The European St. Nicholas was pictured as a tall, thin man who rode a gray horse. In 1809, Washington Irving described Santa as a jolly fellow who wore a wide-brimmed hat.

After Dr. Moore wrote "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," in 1823, St. Nick acquired definite external characteristics. Ever after, children "knew in a moment it must be St. Nick" by his well-fed, merry appearance — twinkling eyes and a rosy face — and his sleigh and reindeers for transportation.

The image of Santa was affirmed in 1869 when Thomas Nast's cartoon was published, picturing Santa in his now-familiar red garb smoking a pipe. Like all famous men, Santa today finds it difficult to travel anywhere incognito.

YULE LOG CUSTOM

Medieval England celebrated Christmas for twelve days instead of four. The celebration began with the lighting of a huge log, which was kept burning for twelve days. At the end of the twelve days, the fire was extinguished and a remnant of the fire kept for the following year when it would be used to kindle a new log. This gave rise to the Yule log custom and explains why Christmas is sometimes referred to as "Yuletide."



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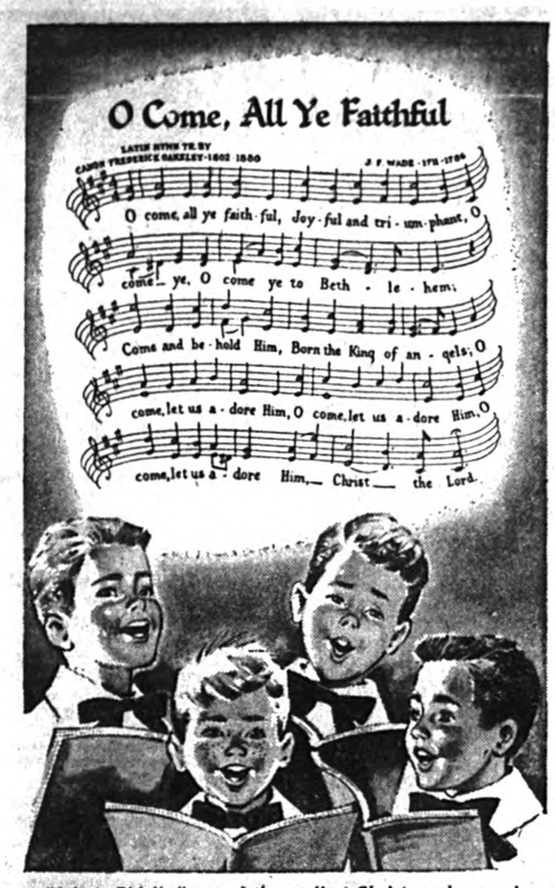


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"Adeste-Fidelis," one of the earliest Christmas hymns, is now one of the most popular — said to be sung, around the world, more often than any other. It is sung to the tune of "Cantus Diversi," published in 1751, and it probably existed much earlier. It has been translated into 120 languages, from the original Latin. Of the 40-some English versions, the best known is this one by Frederick Oakley.

Old custom extensive, but origin of carol-singing is obscure

"O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant."

"Silent night, holy night."

"God rest you merry, gentlemen."

"It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old."

"Oh little town of Bethlehem."

"Deck the halls with boughs of holly."

"On the first day of Christmas."

Wherever people gather, the glad sounds of hymns and carols ring out at Christmas time, as they have for centuries.

Although the words and music of favorite carols are well known, the meaning of the word "carol" itself is obscure. One explanation holds that it comes from the old French word, "caroler," meaning "to dance". The first carols were often sung by worshippers dancing in a circle.

There is also the belief that "carol" comes from the Greek word for flute player, in compliment to the musicians who played for the Christmas ring-dances. Still another thought is that carols originated with the songs of the Roman Saturnalia.

The name, "Father of the Christmas Carol," is often given to St. Francis of Assisi. At Greccio in 1224, he arranged a Nativity scene and led the singing of songs of praise to the Christ Child. Although carols had been sung earlier, this act by St. Francis gave impetus to the idea of happy singing at the Christmas season.

Early carols were in Latin. As carols gained popularity during the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, many people preferred to sing in their own languages, and new carols were developed.

The growth of carols was helped along by "wassailing" or "gooding" expeditions. Children went from house to house, singing songs and receiving treats.

Wynkyn de Word, apprentice to the famous English printer, Caxton, issued the first printed book of carols in 1521.

Later, English people learned carols from printed "broadsides" which sold for a penny. When the Puritans abolished holiday observances in the seventeenth century, the broadsides were still printed and "bootlegged" to the public.

Students of Christmas stories might be puzzled whether it was a case of carol singing or carol stinging in an English legend. According to the legend, bees used to gather on Christmas eve to hum carols.

Epiphany Cake and old tradition

"La Galette des Rois," the "Kings' Cake", is the French form of Epiphany cake, according to the editors of The Encyclopedia Americana. Epiphany cake is baked all over Europe, either at Christmas time to eat until Twelfth Night, January 6, or on Epiphany day.

French peasants put a bean into the cake mix, and the finder of the bean, when the cake is baked and cut, is "King" for the evening. He then chooses a "Queen" to share his honors.

In the French towns, a china doll is substituted for the bean.

Favorite fare the world over in feasting at Christmas time

As much a part of Christmas as Santa Claus are the holiday dinner, the candies, cookies and cakes, the pies and puddings. Almost every country in the world has contributed its own culinary heritage to the celebration.

Turkey and all the trimmings have become traditional in America, and other countries have their own menus for the Christmas feast.

Belgium and Holland have special cakes and sweets for St. Nicholas season. The Leterbanket is baked in the form of letters so that one may order his name in cake. Marzipan candies, once made only in the shape of hearts, now come in many forms.

An Italian Christmas feast might include Capitelli — white meat of chicken and pork chopped and mixed with eggs and spices, encased in an inch-high dunce cap of noodle dough — or Capitoni, made from fried eels.

Characteristic foods of Austrians at Christmas, say Americana Encyclopedia researchers, are fruchtbrod, a cake made of raisins, currants, chopped figs and dates and served hot; chopped and baked carps; beef, vegetables and beer.

On Christmas Day in Hungary the family sits down for a roast goose dinner.

Instead of turkey, Norwegians have Christmas porridge, codfish, roast ribs of pork, pickled pork, and sometimes a barbecued young pig, with an apple in its mouth, and paper frills upon its ears.

Mince pie is an old English custom. It represents a compound of the choicest products of the East and symbolizes the gifts of the Wise Men to the Christ Child. Another national Christmas dish in England is the famous plum pudding.

After the Portuguese return from the Missa do Galo, the Midnight Mass, the grownups gather at the table for a huge Christmas breakfast of hot chocolate, sweets and egg cakes.

The Finns serve a Christmas dessert made of rice, according to the editors of The Book of Knowledge. The rice is boiled in milk and served with cream topped with sugar and cinnamon. An almond is put into the large dish of rice and the diner who is lucky enough to get this almond will, legend says, be especially favored in the coming year.

Lavish feasts accompany Christmas in Hawaii. Menu for a traditional dinner in a Polynesian family might be: roast pig, prepared in an imu, a covered rock oven; gray-brown poi; raw salmon, with vinegar and herbs; island spinach cooked in coconut milk; and pickled pineapple. Dessert might be passion-fruit pie — tangy-tart, yet sweet, topped with macadamia-nut ice cream.

In Sweden as family, guests and household servants assemble, each person sticks a piece of bread on a fork and dips it into a kettle of pork and sausage drippings. According to tradition, this bread is eaten for luck before the feast begins.

MUSIC BOX POPULAR

The music box, widely popular during the 19th century, eventually gave way to the player piano and later the phonograph . . . but they haven't disappeared completely.

Always a good gift for milady, music boxes may hold anything from jewelry to elegant perfumes. Children's toys of various shapes and sizes offer a wide variety of tunes.

Most popular at Christmas, of course, are the boxes which give out with the tinkly strains of Christmas carols.

Lights for tree traced to Luther

Decorating the Christmas tree with lights is a custom that some historians trace back to Martin Luther, the Reformation leader, Encyclopedia Americana researchers say.

After a walk one Christmas Eve under a brilliant starlight sky, Luther returned home and tried to produce the scene for his family by lighting candles on the Christmas tree.



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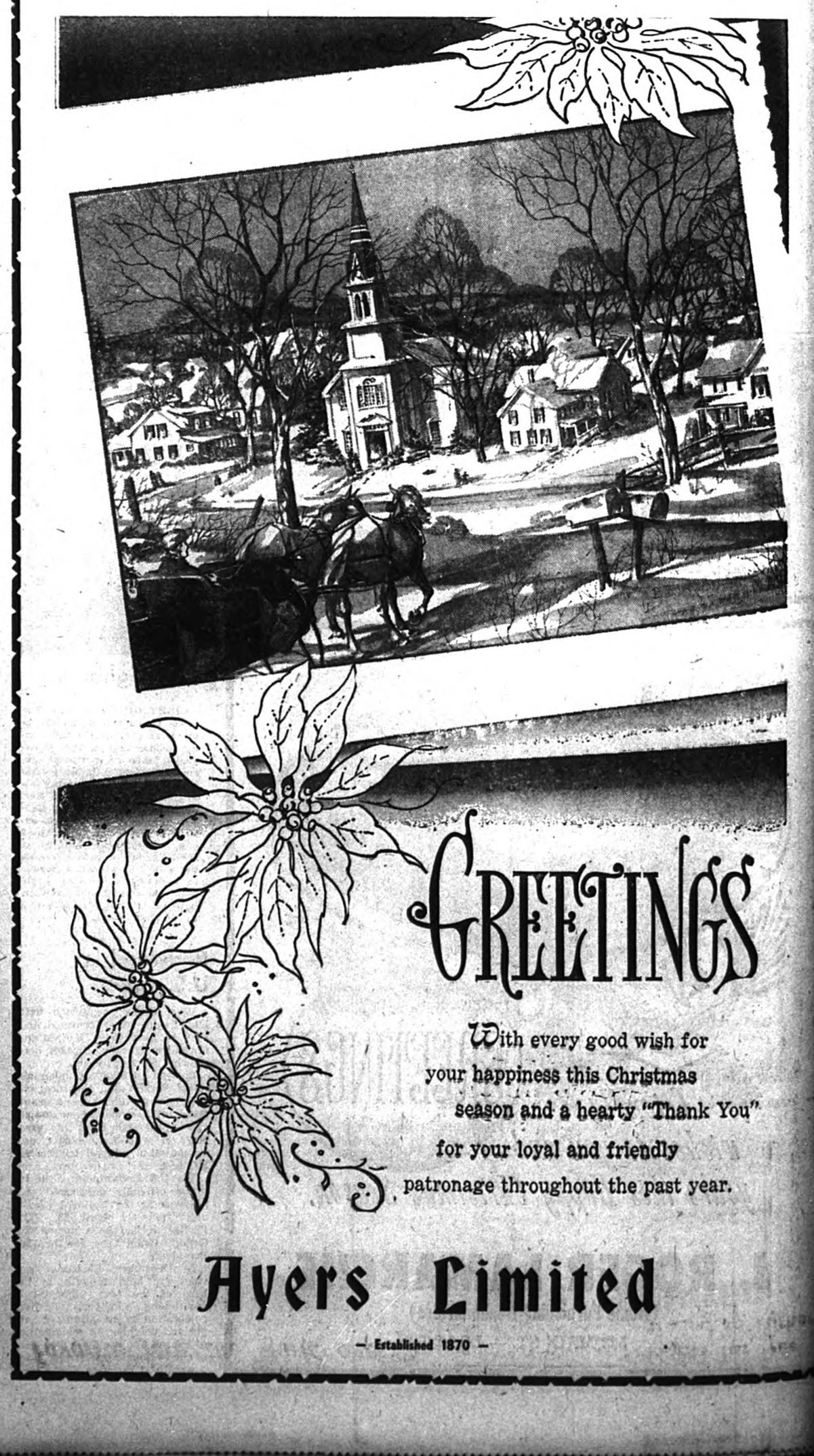
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