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Fund depleted...no more bailing out of 'hardship cases'

ALDERGROVE - Bailing out "hardship cases" the B.C. Land Commission quickly spent the $25-million special fund established when the commission was first set up in 1975, a speaker told about 35 business people and residents at a chamber of commerce dinner here last week.

The commission could have spent $100-million easily, Gordon Gram told the local merchants.

Gram had been invited to the Dec. 13 meeting to explain to the local merchants why the B.C. Land Commission turned down an application from Gloucester Properties Ltd. for a large industrial park north of here.

The senior civil servant explained the origin of the commission, how and why it was formed, and why it had turned down the Gloucester application which took the better part of last year fighting its way through the lesser bureaucratic maze made up of the regional district and various boards..

Gram said the commission had bailed out Grosvenor-Laing, a former major landowner in Langley district, to the tune of $5-million when it bought some 2,000 acres owned by the two British companies. Other landowners in the province had been bailed out in a similar manner, he said.

When asked why the public-owned commission did not buy out small landowners as well if it is to be government policy for years to come that land - whether it be in agricultural production or not - must be saved for future food productive use, Gram said that he realized that owners have to "be very big-minded" to willingly go along with the commission's policies.

He added that "we must be forward thinking, looking 25, 50 or even a 100 years down the road."

However, the rather small fund had been depleted, and now it was up to individual owners to preserve the farmland, willingly or not.

Gram said the Gloucester application, which includes just over 40 legal parcels totalling 775 acres, had been turned down because the commission's technical advisors did not agree with the findings of soil specialists employed by the company in preparing a preliminary prospectus. Fifty-eight percent of the total acreage was found by the commission to be class 2 - 3 land as under the Canada Land Inventory, he stated, with 39 percent class 4 and the remaining three percent class 6 - 7. Land in the class 1 to 4 categories is all considered arable with class 5 and 6 marginal grazing lands and class 7 not usable for agricultural purposes.

He said the commission's findings had come out "rather differently" from those of the private firm of soil specialists because they had recorded the "unimproved ratings".

He then outlined appeal procedures which can be taken by an applicant, but added that to date no appeal had been received from Gloucester. The application reached the commission's Burnaby offices last February, in March a public hearing was held, and on Sept. 20 the commission's decision was rendered, refusal of the application based on the probable future capabilities of the land.

LOCALS CRITICIZE DECISION

The audience clearly did not agree with the official policies as outlined by Gram and told him so in so many words. Ald. Art Brooks, among the guests, was one of the more outspoken critics and drew considerable applause with his stated contention that "...something has to be added to the tax base of this municipality. Somewhere we got to get some relief." As it now stands, said Brooks, 85 percent of all land in Langley district is frozen under the Agricultural Land Reserve Act as administered by the land commission and as a result home owners and small land owners have to carry the entire tax burden. Gram acknowledged that "the two (farmland preservation and fair taxation) don't go hand in hand."

Other visitors criticized the commission for legally forcing land owners to preserve agricultural land for the future while at the same time imposing severe hardship on them by allowing high tax assessments and restrictive covenants which virtually make any practical use of the land impossible. The technical ability of commission land use advisors was also questioned, as local business people and property owners expressed their interest in why high grade soils had been allowed to fall to the blacktopping machines in other parts of the lower mainland while land that has never proven itself arrable has to be preserved like another treasure.

Gram said the almost 800 acres of land at North County Line could be made productive at some future time when Canada would need all the agricultural land it could amass for its own needs, but Brooks again pointed out that the lands north of the freeway between County Line Road and the Langley-Matsqui border were impossible to drain in such a manner that they could become fertile farm lands. Brooks said that in order to drain the land agricultural tiles would have to be laid down but in digging down 18 inches through the shallow topsoil in the area you would be into clay hardpan and might as well lay down a network of solid pipes.

Gram said he would convey the local residents' feelings to the commission.

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The old story of the Magi is acted out by elementary school children at Patricia. -Rick McIlwain Photo

House made of gingerbread to replace civic centre?

MATSQUI - A gingerbread house shaped children's theatre to be constructed on the municipal property in place of the controversial civic centre was proposed to Matsqui district council Monday by Clearbrook bookkeeper Walter Schmur.

Schmur, showing council members a large full-color picture of a prize winning gingerbread house baked by a Delta woman, suggested that a theatre patterned after it would be a tourist drawing attraction and fill a need in the area for a cultural facility.

"Besides being used for theatrical performances, it could also be used as a convention centre, for symphony concerts and religious programs," Schmur said.

The reason for this counter proposal, he said, was because of the flak generated at the public information meeting by the Matsqui civic centre proposal which puts commercial development first before any such facilities as his proposed theatre.

Schmur suggested that to finance his project, application could be made to the provincial government for a grant to cover one third of the cost, that the second third could be covered by the sale of shares and debentures to the public, but that he was not sure of how the final third could be financed. And he proposed that the land be made available for the venture by a long-term lease at a nominal fee.

In responding to Ald. Chris Lamb's query as to who exactly council would be dealing with, Schmur explained that a cooperative (Fantasy World Children's Cooperative) had been formed and that at present there were six shareholders, but that the nature of the business allows people to buy into it.

Lamb replied that since the group is not a non-profit organization he should investigate the possibility of testing his idea at the McCallum activity centre to first see how it would work.

Schmur, who has dubbed his envisioned theatre "Gingerbread and Pretzels", also sees a fantasy world amusement park being established in conjunction with the theatre. With an avowed interest in things for children, he has already begun publication of a children's magazine, also called "Gingerbread and Pretzels", and the one issue out so far was distributed through the local library.

"We need something to draw the tourist trade to the area," he says. "When there is something that attracts the children, their parents will come, too."

BC Tel will explain position

ALDERGROVE - B.C. Tel business manager Frank Bogle will be at the January meeting of the Aldergrove and district chamber of commerce, president Alan Major said last week.

Major said the recent disclosures that B.C. Tel would not be proceeding with the promised inclusion of the Aldergrove telephone exchange in the Greater Vancouver free toll calling area were a matter of considerable concern to the chamber as to the community.

He said that he had contacted Bogle and been promised that senior B.C. Tel executives would be at the Wednesday, January 10 meeting.

In a letter sent to the local chamber in the spring of 1977 B.C. Tell indicated that the project would go ahead with completion slated for 1981. Recently it was disclosed that the plans had been scuttled partially because the change would be too costly for B.C. Tel.

Aldergrove Star closed over X-mas holidays

The office of the Aldergrove Star will be closed from Friday, Dec. 22 to Wednesday, Dec. 27, both days inclusive. There will be no edition of the paper on December 27, due to the Christmas holidays.

Next issue of The Aldergrove Star will be out on Wednesday, January 3, 1979.

We take this opportunity to wish our readers and advertisers a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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FIRE MARSHALL "OVER-ZEALOUS"

Can't be done, says Westwood

LANGLEY - The local fire marshall has given the Langley schopl board one month to clean up more than 100 fire hazards in elementary schools throughout Langley, but the school board says it can't be done.

School board chairman Brian Westwood says funding for most of the improvements needed must come from the ministry of education in Victoria. That, he told fellow school trustees Monday, could take months.

"These situations in the schools have existed for many years," says Westwood. "Now, we have 30 days to change them."

"I have one (report) here where they don't like the wattage in the 'Exit' sign."

The board voted to inform provincial MLA Bob McClelland about the problem.

At Aldergrove elementary, the school district will have to upgrade the fire alarm system, install exit signs, and emergency lighting, remove debris from in front of fire foors, separate the first and second floors in the old school building, and enclose an old chimney with fire-retardent material.

Parkside Centennial elementary, the newest school of the three, requires an integrated system of smoke detectors to be installed in the open classroom area and tied in with the school's alarm system. Heat detectors are needed for the school's storage area, and dead bolt locks closing fire doors in the school's gym will have to be removed.

Secretary-treasurer Dick Weihbelzahl said some of the fire marshall's orders will be acted on immediately.

"Many of these things, the principals of the schools were not aware of as safety hazards," said Weihbelzahl.

Westwood called the fire marshall "considerably over-zealous."

ALDERGROVE - Louise Weckerle of the Roundhouse Restaurant and Alec Moore of the Aldergrove Lions club drew the winning ticket in the Lions raffle for a genuine gingerbread house Monday afternoon.

The prize was donated by the Roundhouse and proceeds from the sale of tickets went to the Aldergrove Lions Crippled Children's Fund. The winning ticket was held by RCMP Cst. Pat Roach.

Sale of the tickets netted $51 for the Lions special fund, reported Moore.

Procedures must follow when bomb reported

ALDERGROVE - A recent bomb scare at Parkside elementary school has prompted Langley district superintendent Dr. Len Sampson to come up with a procedure for evacuating local schools.

Sampson's draft evacuation plan, along with a list of guidelines for dealing with bomb threats, was presented to the Langley school board Monday for consideration.

The procedure includes a checklist of things to do for school administrators, from evacuating the building, to arranging transportation to another school if it should actually explode, or catch fire.

School secretaries are advised to be calm and courteous when a bomb threat is received, obtain as much information as they can, and avoid interrupting the caller.

Secretaries should also try to find out when the bomb will explode, where it is, what it looks like, why the bomb was placed in the school. If possible, they should also attempt to discover the caller's name, and where he is calling from.

One section in the proposed guideline, suggested students be allowed to put on their coats before evacuating the building, if there is enough time.

It should be kept in mind that a bomb could be located in a cloakroom area," states the evacuation handbook.

The section drew the criticism of school trustee Loren Maluorno.

Sampson said it was included because some students at Parkside elementary caught cold waiting for authorities to search the school.

"It's better the children catch a cold than lose their lives," retorted Maluorno.

The guidelines await approval by the board.

Secondary school system changed

By GREG THOMAS

MURRAYVILLE - Radical changes in the size and composition of Langley's secondary schools will be phased in by school officials after approval Monday by the Langley school board.

School trustees approved a series of three recommendations by the secondary education committee calling for Langley's secondary schools to be totally revamped. Junior and senior secondary schools will be abandoned in favor of a new system incorporating grades 8-10 and grades 11 and 12 into one school.

School trustees approved, in principle, the change, with trustee David Bell voting against.

Until now, the education system has operated with a system of junior and senior secondary schools, with Brookswood, Fort Langley, H.D. Stafford, and D.W. Poppy schools all feeding students to Langley senior secondary school for their final two years education.

Only Aldergrove and Mountain secondary schools have operated with grades 8-12.

Schools slated to incorporate all senior grades in the near future will be D.W. Poppy and Fort Langley junior secondary.

Langley secondary will probably become the district's only senior secondary school, but grade 10 students will be added to fill in the population gaps created by the addition of Poppy and Fort Langley into the system.

Fort Langley junior secondary and H.D. Stafford will remain junior secondary schools if this happens, and students will enter these schools in grade 7, and leave them in grade 9.

The decision to leave Langley secondary as the sole school with senior students only, reflects the school board's decision to centralize vocational and pre-apprenticeship training in one school.

LSS already has a chef-training kitchen, large auto, woodworking, and metalworking shops, and a construction program.

High-cost facilities needed to facilitate specialized training will be added to the school if the plan goes ahead.

Graham Leask, principal of D.W. Poppy, and chairman of the secondary building committee, told the school board that students don't develop school spirit with only two or three years in any given school.

The committee's report also mentioned continuity of school programs, transportation costs, and building parental involvement in schools.

"Two year schools tend to promote a "revolving door" atmosphere with students, rather than establishing good teacher-student relationships," stated the report.

The report also recommended holding school sizes to a maximum of 1,000 student population, with an exception made for LSS.

In the case of the venerable senior school, a larger school population would enable the school board to get funding for more specialized programs.

School trustee Peter Fassbender, who sits on the secondary education committee, says eventually all schools will accommodate students in grades 8 to 12.

"The eight to twelve concept, weighing all the alternatives, is the best one," said Fassbender.

Aldergrove chamber of commerce president Alan Major has suggested that the town adopts a specific theme in order to attract and hold tourists passing through the lower mainland.

See article on second front page.

Friesen well back on the agenda

MATSQUI - The Friesen well was back before Matsqui council again on Monday. This time council is requesting a complete report from the public works department indicating whether or not the municipality should go ahead with purchase of the well for future water needs.

Council is dealing with this now because representatives of a group interested in locating a fish culture facility in the Fraser Valley have approached the municipality wondering whether they still have interest in the well.

"The essential requirement in establishing such a facility is a good ground water supply," they said. "The flowing well located on the Friesen property on Downes Road has been identified as a potential site."

Mayor Harry DeJong said he felt council should pursue the idea of purchase of the well. "It could serve us a number of years before surplus water wold be needed from the Mission area," he said. "But it is a contentious issue because Friesen (Ald. Henry Friesen who owns the well) is on council."

"They (the group interested in establishing the fish hatchery) have been fair with us," De Jong continued, "now we need to decide whether or not the municipality wants the water."

Council voted to request a full report from the public works department in order to determine the municipality's needs.

Chamber execs elected

ALDERGROVE - Four new directors were elected to serve on the 1979 board of the Aldergrove and district chamber of commerce last week.

Alan Major, president and Don McTavish were re-elected to the board. Newcomers Mike McCarty and Vrenli Kahn replace Ray Collishaw and Horst Newman.

Children from Coghlan [left] and Parkside elementary schools celebrate Christmas season.

-Rick McIlwain Photo

Board will deal heavily with child abuse

MURRAYVILLE - The Langley school board will vote in January on a tough new policy on child abuse detection authored by district superintendent Len Sampson.

Sampson's new policy was released Monday so that trustees could make a decision at the next meeting of the board.

The policy approved a set of guidelines, also written by Sampson, for dealing with reported cases of child abuse. Teachers who suspect one of their students is being abused are now required by law to report their suspicions.

Beginning next year, if the superintendent's policy is approved, all reports will go to the school principal. The principal will then be required to hold a meeting with representatives of the provincial ministry of health and the ministry of human resources.

If the three-man committee determines that child abuse is taking place, action will be taken the same day. A follow-up conference with the child's teacher is also required.

Trustee Marnie Robertson, elementary education chairman, says human resources officials will still deal with child abuse.

"It's a responsibility that all adults have, really," she says. "It isn't going to be dealt with by the schools, it's simply going to give teachers a route to take if they feel there is a problem.

"I think it's something the public at large should be aware of."

Rotund visitor attends board meeting

By GREG THOMAS

MURRAYVILLE - Santa Claus made an unannounced visit to the Langley school board Monday, interrupting the local school trustees just as they began their final meeting of 1978.

The rotund visitor provided gifts and caricatures for about a dozen in attendance at the meeting, including elected officials, administrators, and members of the press.

Brian Westwood, school board chairman, was presented with a plastic flower, courtesy Langley Flowers. The well known trustee runs another flower shop in Langley.

Retiring trustee Kay Armstrong received a certificate entitling her to free admission to all future school board meetings, trustee David Bell was given a bar of Jergens soap, "should he decide to clean up his act," in the words of Santa, and trustee Peter Fassbender, who was strangely absent during the presentation, received a one week Brian Westwood course entitled "How to Win Friends and Influence People."

Aldergrove trustee Loren Maluorno, chairman of the finance committee, was given an information package on zero-based budgeting, prepared by the Xorox corporation. Maluorno sells Nashua photocopiers for a living.

'Back to Basics' equipment proved a large item on Santa's gift list. Trustee Marnie Robertson received a back to basics knitting kit, composed of one knitting needle, and a quantity of wool. Trustee Fred Ceresney, a local physician, received a back to basics doctor set, manufactured by a well known toy company.

Dr. Len Sampson, distric superintendent, was given a bag full of mangled recording tape, allegedly the same as stolen three months ago from a school board meeting.

Secretary-treasurer Dick Weihbelzahl received a Colonel Saunders piggy bank, to hold next year's budget in, and assistant secretary-treasurer Bruce Aylbury was given a back to basics calculator with four functions: subtraction, subtraction, subtraction, and subtraction.

Cutbacks in budget causing serious problems

LANGLEY - Cutbacks in the local school board budget are causing serious problems, according to Langley Teachers' Association president Terry Eastman.

Eastman cited the school board's decision to make a 13.1 percent cut in teaching supplies next year as a major example in a statement released Monday.

The school board decided to reduce available funds for supplies from $88 per pupil to $75 per pupil in preparations for its 1979 budget.

In another statement last week, Eastman said local teachers will be deprived of the tools they need to do their jobs.

"Our budget is so low that we don't even come up to the basic education program determined by Victoria."

School trustee Marnie Robertson claims the new budget for teaching supplies of $75 per student reflects the provincial average. She told the school board Monday night that last year's figure was one of the highest in the province.

The reduction breaks down to a huge cut in secondary school funding, and a smaller reduction in elementary schools.

For grades 8 - 12, funding will be cropped from $92 per year to $77 per year, in line with the provincial average, according to Robertson.

In grades 1 - 7, schools will receive $37.56 in teaching supplies for every student, a cutback of $5.00.

Eastman also criticized the school board's decision to take a portion of the money for supplies from school principals and classroom teachers, giving it instead to senior administrators to distribute.

Robertson says the administrators were given the money so that some of the district's 'have-not' schools could obtain better teaching supplies.

"This doesn't make sense," said Eastman. "Why hold onto the money, particularly from our 'have not' schools? Divide the money now."

Some educational officials fear the discretionary monies now controlled by the senior administration will instead be subject to the de facto control of the school board.

This would mean that school trustees could send extra money to schools of their own choosing, such as those in polling areas where incumbent trustees lost to opposition candidates in recent civic elections.

Robertson poo-poos the suggestion.

"That's ridiculous. We judge the spending on the basis of educational needs in the schools," she says. "We want all of the kids to benefit. We want all of the tax money spent in a way that we're getting value for the dollar.

"That's a ridiculous comment, and it doesn't deserve an answer."

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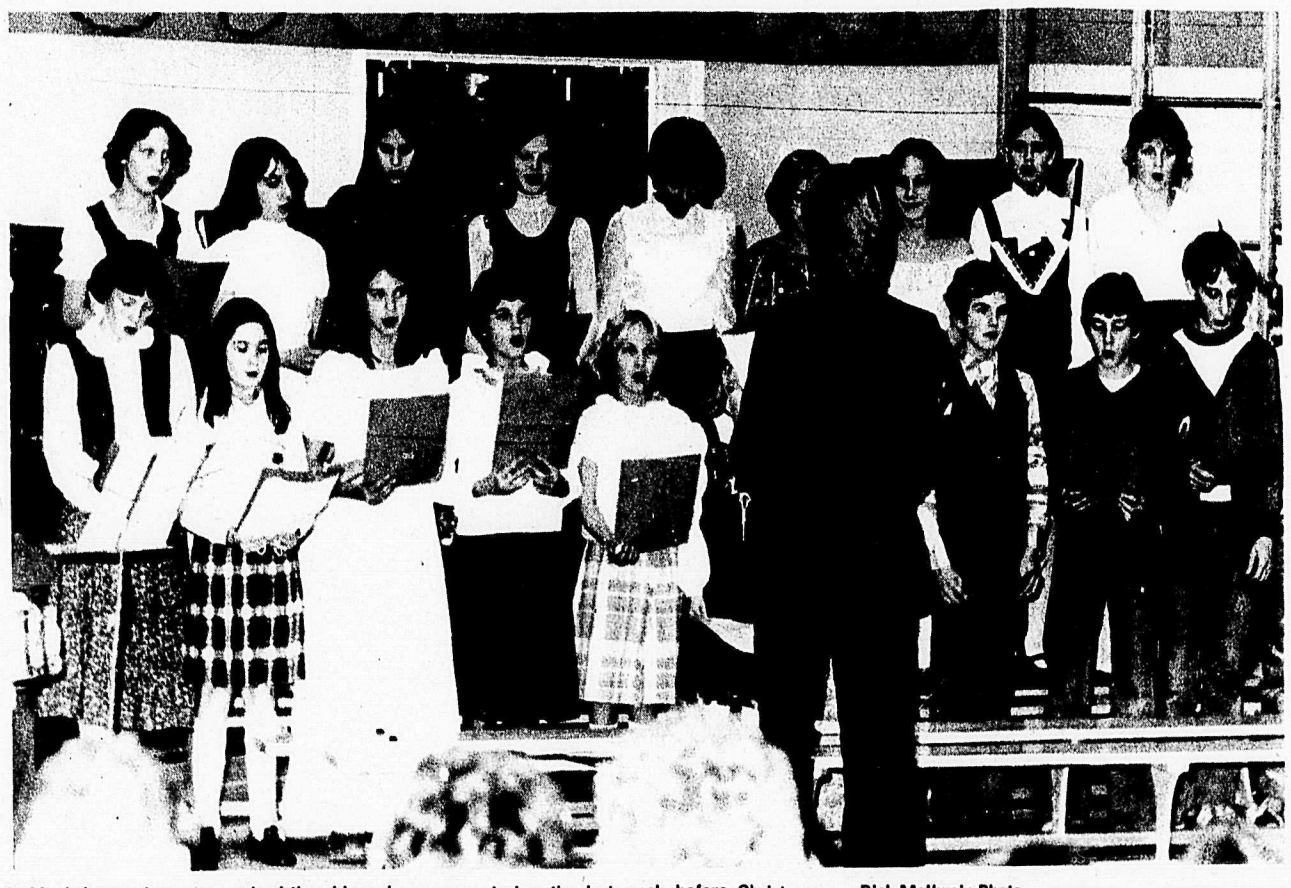

At Mt. Lehman elementary school the old carols are sung during the last week before Christmas. -Rick McIlwain Photo

No hydro before Christmas

SUMAS MTN. - It will be after Christmas before a landlocked family on Sumas Mountain will know if B.C. Hydro powerlines can be extended to their property.

When the Robert Taylors purchased their place on Sumas Mountain, the access road (Willet Road) was drawn in on the Matsqui municipal master plan. When the Taylors later applied to B.C. Hydro for extension of services to their property, Hydro declined because the section of Willet which serves their property is not gazetted and Hydro can provide access services only on public roads. (The section of Willet in question had been withdrawn from the master plan in 1976.)

The Taylors petitioned council for extension and dedication of Willet Road because the portable generator they had for power is not functioning reliably and with the coming of winter they wanted Hydro services.

Peter Smith, a surveyor accompanying the Taylors informed council that the matter of defining this roadway could be handled through the registrar of public lands in New Westminster and would not involve any expropriation as suggested by development officer Ken Stinson.

Council felt that they needed the legal opinion of their solicitors before making a decision and promised the Taylors notification within two weeks. That was on November 27.

The two weeks are more than up. Council is hoping to have word from their solicitors later this week. (The matter had been delayed because the municipal clerk had been sick and it had not been attended to while he was away.) And a special council meeting may be called next week to deal with the issue.

In the meantime the Taylors have to depend on their unreliable generator while they wait for word of whether or not they will even be eligible for the Hydro services they needed before winter started.

Langley board vote to add administrator

MURRAYVILLE - Despite the protests of finance chairman Loren Maluorno, the Langley school board voted Monday to add another administrator to its senior staff, and will hire a teacher to take his place at Aldergrove secondary school.

On a recommendation by district superintendent Dr. Len Sampson, the trustees voted to extend the appointment of science teacher Peter Beckett to the end of the school year. Beckett was hired as science co-ordinator on a part-time basis earlier this year, but Sampson dodged the part-time edict by employing Beckett full time for the first five months of the school year.

The teacher was to return to Aldergrove secondary in January to teach science for the second semester.

"I firmly believe Peter needs the rest of the year to continue what he is doing," Sampson told the trustees. "He's not only turning the science program around, but he is giving strong leadership."

School board chairman Brian Westwood supported the request, referring to promises of special funding by the ministry of education, expected next year.

"We are now in a favorable enough budget position," said Westwood.

Maluorno was aghast at Westwood's remarks.

"I can hardly believe my ears," he told the chairman.

Maluorno indicated he would like to present a final budget to local taxpayers even lower than the provisional budget submitted to Victoria in November.

"(Beckett) is doing an excellent job," said Maluorno. "This is a dollar decision. This is a board that has gone on record as being fiscally responsible."

Both Maluorno and trustee David Bell voted against hiring Beckett for the rest of the year.

So far, the new science co-ordinator has worked in Langley's elementary schools, in cooperation with classroom teachers and school principals, in order to develop continuity in the local science program.

Trustee Marnie Robertson, chairman of the board's elementary education committee, told the meeting that school principals were in favor of hiring Beckett for the remainder of the year.

"They felt there was a lot work that had to be done," she said.

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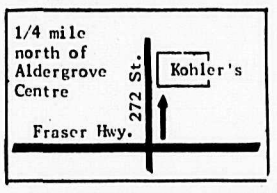

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There appears to be a lot of controversy in the national capital these days concerning the quotas (oh, how we hate that word) for Christmas turkeys this year.

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Yes folks, it's that time of the year again, as if you weren't already aware of it. The merchants sing, cash registers ring, and Mattel's stock goes up 35 percent.

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The thing is, about 75 percent of the toys being offered are nothing more than plastic junk. One my age can remember the years when about the only plastic toys were model cars.

Not so today. There's even a plastic cow that you can milk. Plastic milk, no doubt. And the recent movie, "Star Wars", has really been a boon to the plastic business. We are without a doubt becoming a plastic society.

If, however, you are one of those parents who wants his child to be happy and you are going to buy all these happiness toys, then it pays to shop around. One would almost swear those plastic things are made of rubber, the way the prices on them can be stretched.

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We are faced with an awesome choice: to continue with business as usual, allowing technology an increasing dominance over human affairs, producing apocalyptic weapons, wasting and polluting irreplaceable natural resources, ignoring the plight of the poor, the hungry, the dispossessed.

Or we can use our intelligence and technology to enrich human life, to eradicate disease and hunger, and to diminish the role of violence in settling differences between men and nations.

Those born and raised in the shadow of the atom bomb are aware of this choice with an immediacy denied their elders. The young desperately do not want to be the last generation of human beings on earth, and they see themselves as pawns in old feuds fought by old men.

For them the choice we face is as clear as that set forth in the Biblical account of Moses' charge to the Israelites as they prepared to enter the Promised Land:

"I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice, and cleaving to him..." (Deuteronomy 30: 19-20).

Our religious tradition in this country is life-affirming, while never denying man's capacity for self-destruction. This tradition is proclaimed in Canadian pulpits.

But unless it is proclaimed in more individual lives, we may forfeit any claim we have on the future. Here is a force we have largely neglected, because the voice of conscience is call to repentance.

Arnold Toynbee, an eminent historian of this century, maintained that civilizations are not destroyed from without but eventually turn suicidal. He did not, however, regard suicide as inevitable.

It is the result of choice. It may be that we in Canada, along with others, are faced with such a choice today.

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No wonder there are two kinds of British Columbians

By VIC STEPHENS, MLA
[conservative house leader]

Somebody once said that there are two kinds of people in the world, those who divide people into two kinds and those who don't.

Be that as it may, there are certainly two kinds of British Columbians when it comes to property taxes--those who can't understand why their taxes have gone wild and those who can't understand what the fuss is about.

The reason is that in some areas, including all of Greater Vancouver and Greater Victoria, land prices have gone sky high, while in others they haven't. Comparable building lots may cost less than $10,000 in one community, more than $40,000 in another.

Until this year the effect of those changes was restricted by various assessment freezes. Now, with provincial "equalization" of assessments, land costs are reflected in the tax rates.

High land values automatically shift the tax burden onto homeowners, since land usually makes up a greater proportion of the price of a single-family dwelling than it does of apartments and commercial and industrial property.

Worse yet, in British Columbia there are provincially-set tax rates, mainly for education, that total more than 40 mills. Such flat rate taxes, the same for the person who had to pay $70,000 to buy a house as for the person who got as good a house for $40,000, are totally unfair--but that is only half the problem. It will pay roughly half the second person's taxes, but little more than a quarter for the other, leaving the person with the expensive property paying almost three times as much net tax.

Even that isn't the end of the problem. In most cases the person wtih the high tax bill is already paying several hundred dollars more a month on a mortgage. In none of this is there the slightest allowance made for what the person involved is actually able to pay.

There are plenty of people with annual incomes of $20,000 or more paying only $50 property tax, and plenty of others with incomes of $5,000 or less paying net tax bills of more than $500 or even $1,000. Small wonder that to some people property taxes are a vital issue while to others they mean little.

A Conservative government will not try to ease the burden of the school tax through equal grants to all homeowners, rather it will eliminate that tax altogether, with further assistance for those who cannot afford the municipal property tax.

It won't be a complete solution, but at least it will give the most help to those who need it most.

'Not only has the dollar dropped, but they've cut off our grant too'

Who can afford help?

By JIM SMITH

Two lines best taken with a grain of salt:

"Your cheque is in the mail."

"I'm from the government. I'm here to help you."

Canada's small businessmen may buy the first story. But they sure don't fall for the government aid routine. According to results of a membership opinion survey conducted recently by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, small businesses would generally prefer no help at all to government "assistance".

The survey - conducted in every part of the country - asked CFIB members to identify their principal sources of business advice. The vast majority turn to their accountants and lawyers first. A second substantial group relies on its suppliers. And trade associations and other small businesses are also important. But virtually no small businessmen use the government-funded institutions.

Not that there's a shortage of government programs purportedly designed to help small business. There are so many programs that governments have departments to do nothing but keep track of the other programs.

And none of these programs is cheap - or particularly effective. Only 3 percent of the federation's members have placed primary reliance on the federal agencies (including the Federal Business Development Bank). The provincial agencies attract only about 1 percent of the CFIB's members. University and community college business schools - also heavily funded by government - work with only another 1 percent.

In other words, taxpayers' money used for bureaucratic programs doesn't contribute to a better small business environment. Small businessmen don't like bureaucracy and they don't trust civil servants. But that should come as no surprise. Why should the government's track record in managing its own affairs inspire confidence in any reasonable business manager?

Interestingly, the most valued sources of assistance do not cost the taxpayers a nickel. Governments would, therefore, be well advised to scrap their current bureaucratic horrors and work directly with the trade associations that smaller businesses already find worthwhile. Trade associations know their members' needs, they know the potential of the industry - and they are not part of the civil service.

Business schools should be reorganized to truly reflect the requirements of small business; currently, the business schools specialize in turning out big business-oriented administrators.

The savings could be passed along in tax cuts for small business; tax cuts always work wonders in the business community. Cut out paperwork, bureaucracy and waste - three millstones around business' neck.

Government's heart is in the right place. But actions speak louder than words.

Here and now with Cory

The question I have heard most often this past week -- other than that poignant teenaged plea "Can I have something to eat?" -- "Are you ready for Christmas?"

"Ready for Christmas?"

The sub-topics rolled into that one question -- the baking, the shopping, the cleaning, the cards, the letters, the tree, the decorations, the..., and the list goes on and on -- mount into a staggering series we go through in our holiday rituals.

But with them all, do we really get ready for Christmas?

From her cat perspective, Fluff finds Christmas a novel and entertaining addition to the house. She doesn't comprehend this bit about getting ready, she just enjoys it as it comes.

The tree with its subtly moving stringly things and alluring baubles, some within cat reach, captivates her imagination. The assortment of boxes and packages under the tree intrique her. One is a perfect catnap size where she can curl in seclusion for an afternoon snooze. She even found a catnip mouse tucked down among the packages. Mind you, someone had thoughtlessly wrapped layers of paper around it and it was troublesome chewing through them, and they laughed at her and said something about her getting ahead of the date. But it was a good mouse.

Yes, Fluff is enjoying the season.

Our business friends have been getting ready forChristmas for months.

Despite all the hullabaloo about the over-commercialization of Christmas, I find something spirit-lifting about shopping in an atmosphere of tinsel and holly to the accompaniment of seasonal melodies. It's great to have a cheerful clerk help me find a just-right gift for Uncle Fred while around the aisle some excited youngster tells his sister, "Now, go away from here so I can buy your present."

The Christmas tree salesman brings another bit of nostalgia to the season. The old-time axe-toting days when we tromped the woods to find the just-right tree may be gone, but something of the old excitement reflects in the eyes of those selecting the just-tall-enough, just-full-enough tree to fit in the corner of the living room.

Getting ready for Christmas. If we let it, the process can overpower us with nostalgic thoughts of good-and-gone-forever times. It is also possible that in the hurry to get ready, we fail to be ready and we can miss the spirit that gives its power to the season.

Fear and hope reflect from the daintily dressed little girl as she waits to talk to Santa, and her mother whispers that "it is all right. Santa is a nice man. You'll like talking to him. You can get your picture taken with him, too."

But maybe there is something to this over-commercialization theory. Without the power to spend do we lose what we consider the traditions of Christmas?

Shoppers, nameless faces hurrying by, go about their business of Christmas, and I, wrapped in my anonymity, look on.

A mother with two boys, barely teenagers, bursts into tears when the boys, making a simple gift proposal, had to be denied. The boys stand quietly by, not arguing, but helpless in their understanding. And parcel laden shoppers hurry on.

I wanted to say, "It's Christmas," and gather her cares in my arms. But held back by that invisible wall separating strangers, I walk silently by.

An old man with expectant step makes his way to the post office, then comes away, hands empty, his buoyancy lagging. An empty mail box the week before Christmas, how forlorn, lonely.

And I think guiltily of the stack of cards yet to be mailed, and of my aunt, far away, dying of cancer. And I wonder, "What shall I write?"

We drop dollars in the collection boxes and gifts in the Christmas bureau depositories and we feel good because we are doing something for someone. Our gifts reach across invisible barriers that block our personal touch. We are spreading the Christmas spirit. And we hurry on with our own preparation, our getting ready.

"Joy to the world," we sing year after year. But do we hear the words of this old carol? "Let every heart prepare..."

If we stop and really listen we can learn the secret of being ready.

Letters to the editor

Congratulations

Editor, The Star, Sir,

You are to be congratulated for bringing the splendid article by Arthur Hoppe - "Jonesville horrors common to us all." It should be read at all public gatherings and from all church pulpits.

Thankyou,
Ebe Koeppen
Langley

A Merry Xmas

Editor, The Star, Sir,

The members of B.C. O.A.P.O. Matsqui branch no. 69 who sponsor the Swingers dances, wish to take this opportunity to wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to the editor, publisher and staff of the Aldergrove Star who take the time to publish articles of interest concerning our branch.

Yours sincerely,
Lillian Beeston, Sec'y.

Area drivers get poor marks you bet your life

Do you speed when the sign says "Beware!"?
Do you take chances when you should take care?
You bet your life!
Do you make blunders you never should make?
What are you betting, man? What is the stake?
You Bet Your Life!
You gain a second - or maybe a minute -
You bet your life!
If you would bet, you should figure the cost;
Too late to argue with Fate when you've lost!
Too late to claim that you've been double crossed!
You Bet Your Life! Anon.

"Put me down as definitely undecided."

Maximum prison causes concern

MATSQUI - The announcement last week that Matsqui prison has been reclassified as a maximum security institution has elicited expressions of concern from members of Matsqui council and they voted at council meeting on Monday to request a meeting with federal penitentiary authorities as soon as possible.

"And don't take 'no' for an answer," Ald. Chris Lamd emphasized.

"Our immediate concern," mayor Harry DeJong told council during the discussion, "is the cost to the community. The local police are called in when there are problems and that is unfair to the taxpayer."

De Jong continued that New Westminster has tried - unsuccessfully - for years to get compensation for the times their city policemen are called in during hostage taking and other prison incidents.

"With the new prisons there are more incidents because of the freedom of movement allowed the prisoners," DeJong added.

Ald. Simon Gibson observed that this would change the role of the local police who deal with mainly suburban-rural type situations, and DeJong interjected that it would entail special training.

It was noted that maximum security status at the institution would eliminate the policing involved with prisoners being out on passes such as occurs now with Matsqui's medium security status.

Questions about other effects on the community including those of the social services aspect because of prisoners' families moving into the area were also raised.

Comment was also raised about the locl government not being informed or brought into the decision about changing the classification of the prison. "I did receive a letter last week from the regional director, James Murphy, in Vancouver," DeJong said.

The letter said in effect that there was to be an important announcement made shortly, that a summary of the announcement would be sent later, and to phone if there were any questions.

One council member added that private enterprise could not go about expansion without requesting approval from council, and that land use contracts no longer would allow such changes. But, as Ald. Ray Kirkwood observed. "I guess they (the federal government) supersede us here and there."

Reclassification of the Matsqui Institution to a maximum security prison is part of the nation wide changes in the Canadian prison system, and the change from medium to maximum security status is planned to take place gradually over the next five years at a cost of over $3-million.

New year brings training survey

ABBOTSFORD - Early next year, employers in the Fraser Valley will get a chance to plan the training of their employees.

A representative sample of employers in all major areas of business will be contacted by Fraser Valley College to participate in a major survey of employment training needs.

Both new employees' needs and in-service training for existing employees will be covered.

The survey will help plan to meet training needs in the college region for the next five years.

Heading the survey team is Dr. Eric Grubb, planning consultant for the Fraser-Cheam regional district and the city of Chilliwack.

He'll report progress and results to a steering committee including Eric Woodroff, Fraser Valley College deam of community education; Barbara Manthei of the Chillliwack chamber of commerce; Ron Bowcott, FVC director of vocational programs; and Joe Atcheson, manager of the Chilliwack office of the Canadian Employment and Immigration Commission.

Grubb anticipates a good response from local businesses, because this will allow them to have a direct voice in the planning of training for their present and future employees.

That's an important part of the college mandate to be responsive to the community," he points out. "It's important that training programs be planned on the basis of the needs of the users as they see them, not as we think they are."

It's hoped that the survey will produce information in enough detail to provide direct input to college planning, and that it can then serve as a model for similar surveys province-wide.

The survey questionnaire will require less than half an hour to complete, Grubb says, and handling of the data will be designed to preserve confidentiality.

Design of the survey draws on a pilot study done in 1975 by FVC's principal, Larry Blake. That study has provided the basis of most vocation and career plannint at the college to date but Blake initiated the present survey to get fuller and more up-to-date information.

The project is being funded by an $8,500 grant from the provincial ministry of education.

The survey will sample employers in major categories, such as government, agriculture, law, medicine, dentistry, retailing, manufacturing, personal services, banking, contracting, forest related industries, food processing and others.

Three children who lived in a shoe at County Line school. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Christmas card vignettes

Each year I resolve to start early with those Christmas cards and letters to far away friends and family. And each year The Day sneaks up more quickly, it seems, with the cards still not sent.

"Why bother," I tell myself at times. "No one will miss our card."

Then memories plague my thoughts.

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The card, simple and inexpensive, was signed with a thick-penciled scrawl. "Love, Evart."

I sat at my desk, meditatively pondering over it.

"Say, who's your friend?" my college rommate teased, glancing over my shoulder.

"Oh, a handsome Swede I know," I replied laughingly. "He always signs his middle name, just to keep people guessing."

But the import of the card, the realization of what it meant, would not remain untold. "You don't know what this card represents." I added seriously. "You don't know the effort."

I remembered him as I last saw him -- bed-bound by arthritis, his body crippled beyond use, being spoon-fed by a nurse. I always enjoyed visiting him and listening to him re-live the good old days when he worked in the shingle mills and fished. Sometimes he mentioned his wife and Buddy, his little boy, but they had long since left, he hadn't seen them since Buddy was five...

On his good days, he was able to be propped up. Various ingenious devices adapted to the slight movement he had in his right hand gave some personal independence. One of these was a thick primary pencil fitted into a large rubber eraser which could be wedged between his stiffened thumb and forefinger. With this he could write. The process was slow and painful, but it gave him personal touch with distant friends.

"He usually sends imprinted cards addressed by some friend or volunteer at the home," I explained. "Signing this cost him real effort."

And I treasured that card.

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"We have over two hundred cards now," my friend announced one near-to-Christmas day at work. "They nearly cover the living room wall.

"I always send out about that many every year."

While the others exclaimed over the number of friends she must have, I thought of the volume of work involved in addressing so many cards and wondered at its sense.

"Number-hungry Christmas card collector," I labelled her silently.

At the same time I ran a thought-provoking inventory of my own Christmas card exchange.

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"This is my Christmas card," my long-time, distant friend began a March letter. "This year instead of sending out cards with a hurried "how are you -- we're fine" note, I decided to wait until the rush was past and then write a real letter to each of you when your stack of mail probably isn't so big."

It was good to have a letter from her, and it more than compensated for the card she had not sent.

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"See! Teacher gave me this!"

Blue eyes danced with happiness, and a gap in the big smile explained his lisp.

He held out a card bright with Santa and reindeer.

"She's nice!"

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"I never send Christmas cards," she said. "It's a waste of time and money. "Instead, I give the amount I would spend to some charity."

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I remember him standing there, his silvery hair in its stubborn tousle, holding the card to better catch the light from the window.

"It's easier to read by natural light," he always said. "Better for the eyes."

The only mail that day, besides his daily paper, was that one Christmas card.

"They remembered," he said softly. He held it at arms length, turned it more to the advantage of the window, and tipped his head trying to bring the writing into sharper focus.

"With best wishes for a happy holiday season," he read haltingly, struggling to make out each word. "We miss you and send our love."

"They miss me." And it seemed his mind spanned miles and years. "They miss me."

I went about the house work. When I came into the room, he sat in his chair still holding the card. If I hadn't known him so well, I'd have sworn those were tears in his eyes.

New year, new principal

ABBOTSFORD - The board of school trustees of school district no. 34 (Abbotsford) has announced the assignment of David A. Shore to the principalship of Abbotsford senior secondary school. Shore will be taking the place of Neal Muhtadi who was recently assigned to the position of director of secondary instruction, and he will assume his duties as soon in January as he can arrange to relinquish his present obligations as principal of Columneetza senior secondary school in Williams Lake.

Shore who was selected from a field of over twenty applicants for the position, has his B.C. and teacher training from the University of British Columbia and his M. Ed. from Western Washington State College: He has been principal of Columneetza senior secondary school since 1972 and was previously prinicipal of Peter Skene Ogden senior secondary school in 100 Mile House.

Pauls deputy Matsqui fire chief

MATSQUI - Action taken by Matsqui district council in their regular meeting on morning saw:

Approval given to the hiring of Ron Pauls as deputy fire chief for the Matsqui-Abbotsford fire department. Deputy chief becomes a paid position as of January 1. Pauls is presently filling that position as a volunteer fireman.

Approval given to the reappointments of John Anning and John Dykstra to the police board for another two year term.

Referral of a letter from the Urban Transit Authority regarding a feasibility study under the new urban transit authority act to a joint meeting of the Abbotsford and Matsqui councils.

A report from the UBCM on "Guide to Grants and Shared-Cost Programs for Local Government in British Columbia" referred to the municipal treasurer so, as Ald. Chris Lamb said, "he can be aware of what he can apply for. We don't want to miss out on anything."

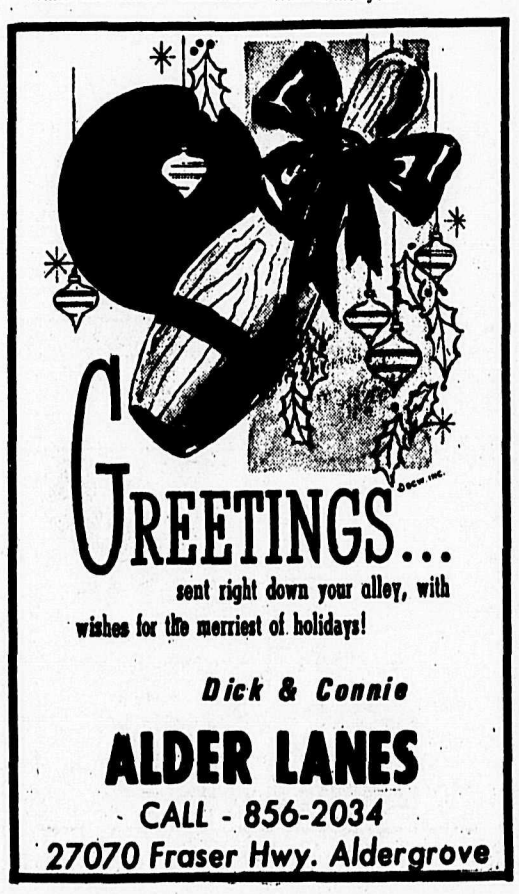
Matsqui supports unity

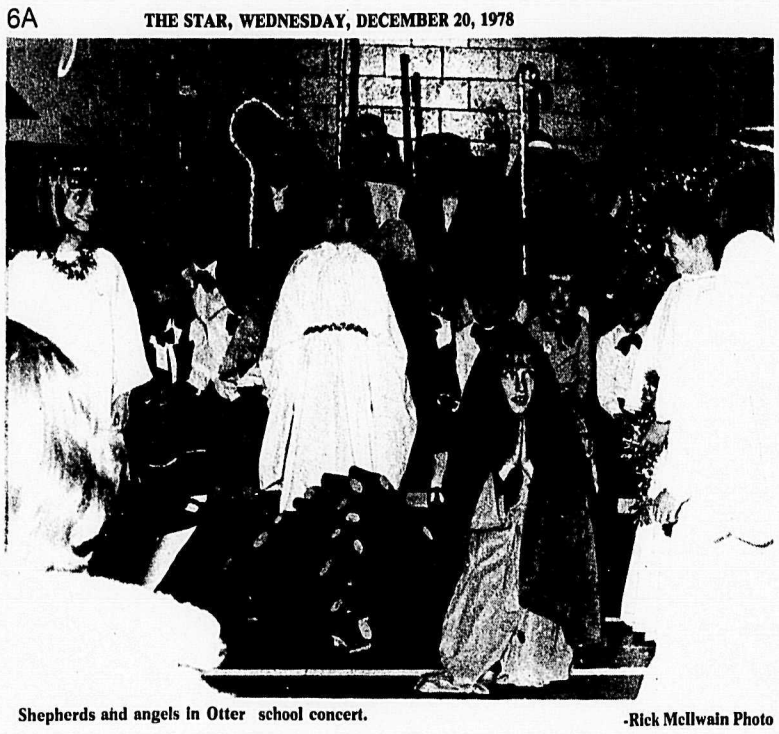
MATSQUI - A petition to the people of Quebec from the people of the rest of Canada endorsing Canadian unity from coast to coast received the added support of Matsqui municipal council on Monday.

The petition, supported by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, is being signed in campaigns being carried on by several national and provincial organizations including chambers of commerce, Jaycees, Canadian Legion, boards of trade, the Catholic Women's League and several others.

Pro-Canada organizations in Quebec plan to take the message of the petition to all parts of Quebec early next year before the expected referendum in hopes tat the assurance of the petition will have a positive effect.

A resolution on Canadian unity was endorsed by the 1977 UCBM convention and the petition aims to emphasize their support of the resolution.





Shepherds and angels in Otter school concert. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Whatever happened to the wise men?

By JIM MILLER

The wise men were not in a hurry. They did not come with flashing lights or screaming sirens, but rather, led by a star, quietly and with steady pace. They knew the star belonged to the centuries. In contrast to the star-led gait gait, we jump with quickened pace from event to event as each in turn is heralded as the greatest of all. We are pushing by passing events that consume our energy.

The wise men did not come to get; they came to observe, to learn, and to give. Falsely we identify wisdom with clever bargaining for self-advantage. Imagine the wise men in a modern setting. Aware of the uniqueness of this new babe and that the parents were poor, they might have made a deal. "Let us be his managers. We'll give you 10 percent." Twentieth-century wise guys! But that's not the way it was. The wise men came to learn and to bring their gifts. They had not come to make a million.

Wisdom does not await a majority. It does not have to be on the day's winning side. Wisdom knows that today's real winners will not be determined for at least another century. The wise men travelled by a star and went back a different way. In contrast we are anxious to get about the popularity train. Succumbing too readily to the herd level, we become both the victims and the perpetrators of below par conduce.

The side men stayed to worship. Aware that they did not have all the answers, they waited reverently to learn. A wise man knows his need to learn and to grow. He also knows that he has never fully reached his God-given potential including his moral potential. Christians see God as revealed by Jesus Christ and in worshipping him offer themselves to be motivated in his image, and to have their priorities reordered in his likeness. It is not enough that we increase our comforts and our goods. More than comforts we need compassion; goals more than goods. To this end the major business of life, whether expressed in a church, in business, or in government, is to glorify God. This is the end and aim of life's process.

The wise men went back a different way. A different way? That's what worship is all about. Isn't it time to recognize that our ways have not been good enough? Do we want more of the same? Surely the world needs a different way. Maybe we can be wise enough to take our clues from a distant star that has held steady through the centuries.

Adventist Christmas service

ALDERGROVE - A special program will take place during the Seventh-day Adventist church service this Saturday morning according to Les Saylor, pastor. We plan to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season in music and meditation on the meaning of Christ's advent," he sayd.

The Sabbath School, which begins at 9:15, will feature the Christmas story in song and scripture. "Christ in Christmas" is the title of Saylor's sermon for the eleven o'clock worship service.

"Most people probably know that Christ wasn't born on December 25," says Saylor. "The Bible account reports that the shepherds were in the fields with their flocks when angels appeared. This would have been impossible at the end of December because there would have been no grass."

Saylor notes that the 25th of December was already a holidday in the Roman empire of the early Christian era. "As Christianity spread through the Mediterranean world, it came into conflict, and then merged, with the prevailing civil religions of the time. One such included a holiday three days after the winter solstice, when astronomers of the day could determine that the sun was beginning to set higher on the horizon, and the days began to be longer."

"When Christianity became the religion of the empire, under Constantine, it was decided to observe the birth of Christ on this popular holiday. And so it has continued from the fourth century," says Saylor.

The Adventist Christmas service will be held in the Immanuel Lutheran church on 272nd street where they regularly meet on Saturday mornings.

As the sweet sounds of Christmas echo round the world, we wish you all the blessings of a joyous holiday season.

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Christmas is for children

By STANLEY H. CHURCHILL

Christmas is above all a time for children. In the excitement and rush of gift-giving, however, let not the record of the first Christmas presents be forgotten. Matthew's Gospel tells the story. The wise Men from the East, led by the Star to the Christ child in Bethlehem....''rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.'' (Matt. 2:10,11).

There is need for people to exercise wisdom in their gift-giving, and for parents to manage the occasion wisely. I recall one Christmas some years ago seeing a distraught young child sitting disconsolately in the midst of a pile of fine new toys, from family, friends, and well-wishers, too distracted and exhausted to enjoy any of them, whereas a single toy, or two, would have given him real delight.

In very many homes one of the finest gifts the parents could give their children would be to ghrown out the family TV set.

About twenty years back Al Li'l Abner strips, depicted old Fagin, the arch criminal of Dickens' ''Oliver Twist'', who had made a life career of corrupting young children. Fagin had returned to life and came to American, where Capp found him lamenting aloud in great despair. When asked why he felt that way, Fagin groaned, ''I wasted my life. In my whole life I could train only 3000 children to cheat, lie, shoplift, pick-pocket, rob, and steal. But here in American you teach every night 40 million children with TV to be criminals.''

Despite the immense potential TV has for good - (alas, too little used!) - our children mainly would be far better off without it. Several months ago The Christian Science Monitor interviewed the father of a large family, who had taken the drastic step of putting TV out of the home. He related that prior to doing this, the children spent many hours each day passively sitting, with their eyes glued to the TV screen. They played very little with each other, shunned sports, scarcely knew there was a wonderful outdoors, and were peevish and grumpy.

At first the period of readjustment with no TV was not too easy for all concerned. But the parents went to work actively to involve the children, and soon they were playing games with each other outdoors on the lawn, discovered that nature was intensely interesting. They all went together on picnics and hikes, and had regular weekly family councils in which all members had a voice - and before long the enthusiasm and happiness natural to children of their age returned.

At Christmas thought turns naturally to Jesus. The Gospel accounts do no include much detail about his childhood. Luke records the time when, at age 12, Jesus left the caravan ready to start home from Jerusalem, to spend time in the temple with the learned doctors. ''And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.'' When Mary and Joseph after a three-day search, finally found him there, he was amazed that they had not come directly to the temple. He asked them, ''Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?'' Luke further records the condlusion of this incident: ''And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them...And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.'' (Luke 2:42-52).

The picture comes across of an obedient son, a normal, active and engaging teen-ager, though spiritually endowed without parallel.

Jesus had a great love and respect for little children. This is recorded repeatedly. On one occasion, when the disciples were arguing about which of them was greatest in the kingdom of heaven, Jesus called a little child to him, and drove home to them the lesson that unless they became as little children, they could not even hope to enter the kingdom of heaven. He went on to warn in sternest terms that anyone injuring ''...one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.'' (Matt. 18:1 - 6).

Mark tells the story of a number of parents who brought their little children to Jesus that he might touch them, but the disciples officiously tried to drive them away...''But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God...And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed (Mark 10: 13-160.

Four of the great healing the Gospel writers tell of Christ Jesus were those of children - two boys and two girls. Of the latter, one was a 12 year old child whom he restored to life after she had died.

Writing of our Master's great love for little children, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, Mary Baker Eddy, states in the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health Wtih Key to the Scriptures: ''Jesus loved little children because of their freedom from wrong and their receptiveness of right. Children are more tractable than adults, and learn more readily to love the simple verities that will make them happy and good.'' (P. 236).

And so we return to our opening statement that Christmas is indeed a time for children. It gives us pause to realize that little children today start life exactly as innocent and loving and pure as those Jesus held in his arms and blessed 2000 years ago. Parents can give their children a gift more precious by far than the gold, frankincense, and myrrh of olden time by teaching them sympathetically the story of Jesus - his birth, his childhood, his love for little children - and his supreme gift of salvation to us all.

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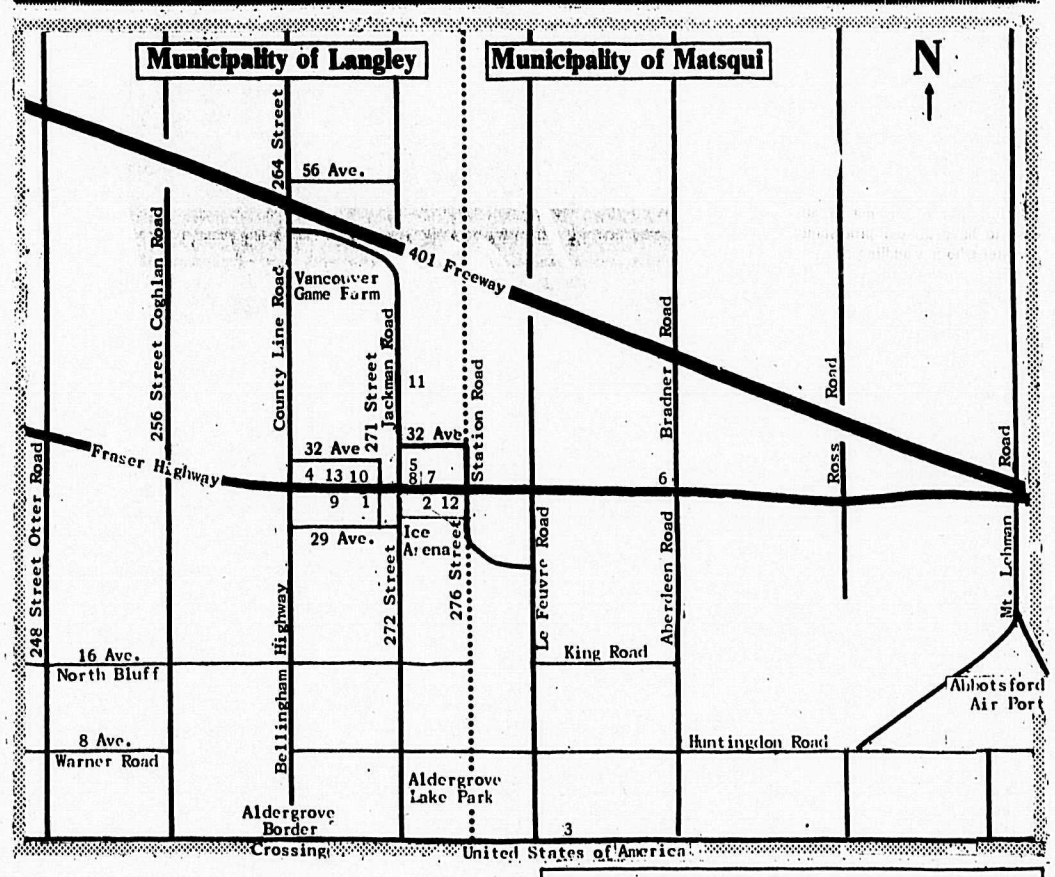

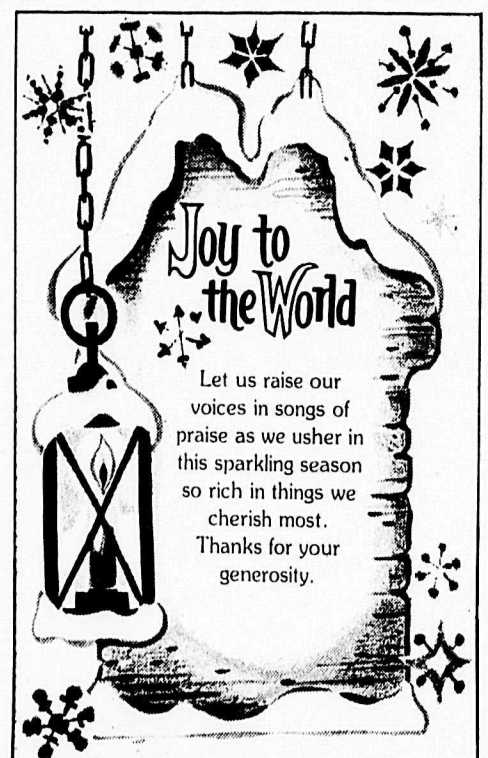

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Yuletide in July

By RUDY LANGMANN

When Jamie peered out through the frost-covered window early in the morning, the snow lay like a thick velvet carpet on the street and over the rooftops of the small village. He had to breathe on the glass pane for a long time and scrape with the fingernails before he was able to look outside. Over night the snow had silently drifted down main street and now lay piled high, almost totally covering the neighbor's wagon. The trees bowed their heads and bent their branches toward the ground and heavy icicles hung like Christmas decorations from the powerlines and from the rooftop eaves.

It was not eight o'clock yet, but someone had already been out and about. A staggered trail led down one side of the deserted street, from where he could not tell, and disappearing around the corner at Jackson's Pharmacy. No one was to be seen, man nor beast; everything was virgin white and silent.

Tonight was Christmas Eve. The sky was dark and ominous looking. More snow, undoubtedly, was in store. As Jamie kept looking the old minister came out from the manse and slowly, hesitantly crossed the street. He noticed the young face behind the window pane and smiled and nodded his head before making his way up the steps to St. Augustin's Church.

The pastor, wrapped in a dark fur-lined overcoat and several heavy woolen scarves continued nodding and smiling to himself. "We are going to get snow tonight," he muttered.

Jeremy, the sexton, met the old man on the top step. He had been busy shovelling a pathway up the stairs.

"Don't know as where I'll pile it," he said. He was from Moose Jaw.

The parson smiled and made his way toward the side entrance, stepping carefully so as not to get too much snow inside his shoes. He carried a Bible and walked on deep in thought. He was thinking about...uh, what the devil was he thinking about? It is not at all easy to have an old protestant minister who is waddling around in snow knee high think of anything deep and profound, when from where I'm sitting you have a magnificent view of the beach and all the young girls frolicking in the surf and lazing under parasols stuck in the sand. It is not at all easy to be in a Christmassy mood in mid-July when you sit in a pair of blue swim trunks and the perspiration runs in long rivulets down your face and on to the sheet of foolscap paper stuck in the portable typewriter.

My wife and I have been here almost two weeks. We borrowed the cabin from some friends. It is not a big house but it has two medium-sized rooms and a small alcove in the annex for Margaret.

Maggie helps my wife prepare the meals and do the other daily chores. Janine left because my wife claimed that I...oh, but never mind. Anyway, my wife thought it prudent to send Janine packing and invited Maggie down to stay with us instead. Actually, Maggie is better looking than Janine, and I have no grounds to complain. My wife invited her because she's engaged to a chartered accountant.

We have had a pleasant stay. I've been swimming and sunbathing several times a day. It's nice clean beach once you wade through the seaweeds carried in by the tide.

I haven't been near the water today. My wife accidentally found a letter I received from the editors of The Aldergrove Star last week, in which I am urged to submit some Christmas stories as soon as possible. "As soon as possible" I interpreted to mean sometime in August or September and I stuck the envelope in my pocket without thinking any more about it. Unfortunately my wife understood the meaning of the letter differently, and that's why I'm now sitting here in snow to the eyeballs.

Maggie is on her way across the patio. She's bringing me a Scotch-on-the-rocks. She is a nice girl, always so considerate. She smiles at me and her big blue eyes cast admiring glances at my sun-tanned torso.

"Where's my wife?" I inquire.

"She's left. She didn't want to interrupt so she went to the beach," says Maggie.

"I don't think she'll be back for awhile," she adds.

"Here's to us," I say. "Sit down." Since there's no other furniture on the sundeck she has to sit down on my knee.

I move the parasol around so it covers the view over the water. I don't want to look at all the people fooling around down below.

Maggie messes up my hair as she sticks her arm around my neck. No harm down, I can comb myself later.

"You sure know how to kiss," she says, admiration in her voice.

"Aw shucks," says I.

"Really you do," she says. "I mean it. It's like honey or champagne or something. I don't know, it's like ...."

"Ah, well," I say. "But if I could be sure that my wife..."

I don't finish the sentence as I see her come up from the beach. She's headed straight towards the cabin but fortunately she hasn't seen us. She walks in to the small pantry.

"I am going down to the beach," says Maggie.

I take a sip of the tall drink and continue my work.

The old silver-haired minister with the beatific smile came out on the steps. He nodded and smiled at Jeremy and...no, he was on his way to the church and walking along listening to the silent sounds of the falling snow and the distant sleigh bells. He smiled again when he noticed the many people on their way to his church to hear the Gospel of Christmas, men and women and children too in their best Sunday clothes and looking at peace with themselves and the world. The congregation all wrapped up in heavy overcoats, furs and woolen mittens, all pass by the old pastor standing there outside the nave and greeting him with deference and affection.

Inside the church people gather in small groups, watching those entering after them and wishing friends and neighbors a Merry Christmas.

Nick, the village barber, carries a look of blessed solemnity as he ceremoniously greets Mavis, the waitress from Joe's Eatery. He takes the opportunity to inquire about her rheumatism.

"Not too good, Nick," she says. "Not too good. I have trouble moving around these days, but I guess it's the coldness in the air that's doing it to me. But I just thought I couldn't stay away, I had to come and listen to old Pastor McKenzie's sermon. It helps a tiny bit, and it is good for the soul."

"Quite so, Mavis," says Nick. "Quite so. I have often felt that..."

"Just think, I forgot my bathing suit. I went to the beach without my bathing suit. Isn't that the silliest thing you ever heard? I am on my way back. Have you been working hard?"

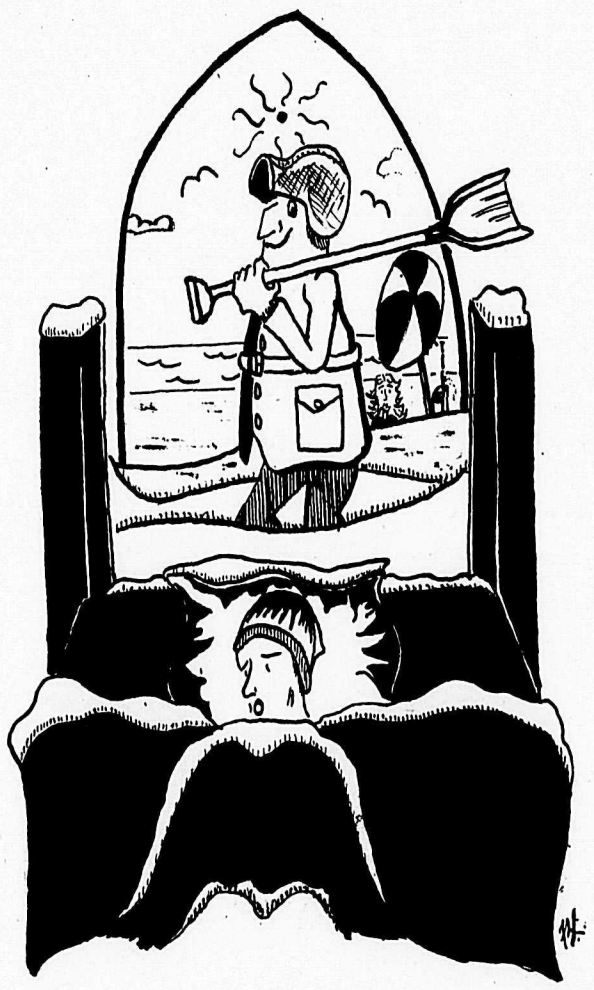
That's my wife cutting in on the small town barber, Nick. Looking hurt he withdraws into the shadows of the church doorway.

"What is that you've often felt, Nick?" asks Mavis.

"Ah, that's nothing. I'll tell you about it some other time. Let's go inside." Nick glances at my wife with irritation. But my wife is on her way toward the water. She is wearing the polka-dot bikini and carrying a beach-ball under her arm.

"Some way to dress on a cold winters day," snorts Nick and stomps his feet on the top step to shake the snow off his leather boots before entering God's house. Right away he shucks the feeling of annoyance.

The church is beautifully decorated. All over are small twigs of evergreen, colored ribbons and lights. It is ever so nice. Near the pulpit stands a fully decorated Christmas tree with artificial snow and dancing angels.



"Seems to me the bells sounded louder and clearer today than usual, Jeremy," says the old pastor. The sexton is helping him into his robe inside the vestry.

"Pastor McKenzie is probably right, but it was work as always to get to the belfry."

Jeremy leaves. He has to prepare the collection plates. The old minister reads through the Christmas message once more.

"What are you doing there, darling?"

The pastor is clearly taken aback. He turns and prepares to get up from his chair.

"Beg your pardon, but I guess you weren't addressing me," he says, a faint smile playing over his thin bluish lips. He sinks back into the leather upholstered chair. The voices of the choir reach him from the church, the congregation joins in. It is...

"You must be daydreaming, eh?"

I look up. It is Beatrice.

"I am sorry. I was working on something here. It is not easy when you are interrupted all the time -- but nice of you to drop in."

Bea lives in a cottage a few hundred yards down the beach. Her husband is a successful solicitor but he only comes out on Saturdays and Sundays. Bea is bored, she says. Strange that they rented a cottage so close to ours, they usually go to Cultus Lake. I first met Bea at a party in town, about a month ago. She looked gorgeous that night. I don't know much about evening gowns but I liked what I saw. When we came home from the party my wife told me that it was a coutourier dress from one of the famous Parisian houses, harmonious in design because of the very thin spaghetti shoulder straps continuing across the very low back and very balanced in the repeated silver trim around the decollete neckline and the hemline of the bias cut skirt fashioned in shimmering silky slinky dusty rose polyester rayon and probably from the September pret-a-porter in Burnaby.

I remember my wife's funny pronounciation of decollete and remarked upon it, but I should never have done that...

"Happy because I dropped in?"

"Of course. Sit down."

"Where? No seats around."

"Then sit here."

This time I didn't have to move the parasol around because it had remained in the position it was in when Maggie left.

Bea is so much more refined than Maggie. She is an extremely beautiful woman. She also has beautiful facial features, a small nose with a slight upward turn (but it doesn't matter since it gives her a proud and impertinent look), small well-defined brows, big bright eyes of cornblossom blue, inviting ruby red lips, and a swan-like neck on the softly rounded shoulders. That's how she looks. Like a sculpture by Elie Nadelman. Lithe, full of grace, young, beautiful and fresh like the morning dew. And I almost forgot to mention that her long blonde hair fastened up in the neck shines like the purest gold when the sunlight hits it at the right angle. She reminds me a bit about Joanne, only Joanne had dark brown eyes. I met her at a party one night...

Bea kisses me.

"Your lipstick is not kiss proof," I say and wipe my mouth.

"You really know how to kiss," I continue. "Your lips taste like fresh honey that rises to the head like bubbling champagne, burn like fire, and warm the ..."

"Yes, and yours taste like whisky and beer."

Bea stands up and wrinkles her cute little nose. She takes the half-empty whisky bottle and places it, with an ironic smile, on the patio. Then she sprawls out on a big bath towel.

"Come over here," I coax.

"But you have to write." Always the tease.

"Okay, then I have to write."

Old Pastor McKenzie is on his way up to the pulpit. He has walked that way many, many times during the last three decades but of late the steps have started to become steeper and harder to mount. Only during the Christmas season they seem to be once more a little less difficult to climb.

He is standing up there now, looking out over the expectant faces of the congregation. Nick has already started to nod his head and it doesn't take long before he gives in completely and Morpheus takes over. Mavis looks bright eyed at the kindly face of the beloved minister, she has a clean soul - and a piercing glance - and the pastor quickly focuses his attention in another direction.

Bea gets up and sits down once more on my knee.

Nick drops his hymnal and Pastor McKenzie sends him a reproachful glance.

Bea puts her arms around my neck.

Mavis picks up Nick's hymnal. You can tell that her nose is out of joint.

Bea moves around a bit, making herself comfortable.

Jeremy coughs.

Bea kisses me.

Pastor McKenzie looks like he doesn't believe his own eyes. He has spotted us. The smile disappears from his face and he hammers his fist in the pulpit. The sound is so loud that Nick wakes up and the entire congregation looks bewildered, scared and slightly hurt.

"That is quite enough," he shouts. "I won't tolerate this any more. This is absolutely atrocious. What kind of an example is that to set for God-fearing people. Don't you have any morals at all? A married man - and I have to be the witness to such carrying on. You could at least have the decency to turn the parasol in a direction where I would be spared from watching your sinful behavior. But you don't dare do that, because then you could be seen from the beach, isn't that so? Some person you are to assign the task of writing Christmas stories - hah, no, I must say I wouldn't have expected this from you. But I suppose you are all the same way, all you authors of Christmas stories? When you first started out describing me as I came out of the manse this morning I thought: what a nice young man he is, a man of God-fearing ways, a man with a clean, unspoiled soul. I see now that I misjudged you and what to me appeared to be your noble intentions. I feel sorry for you, and I certainly feel sorry for your wife."

The old minister wipes tears from his eyes with the sleeve of his supplice.

"I am sorry, pastor," I stammer. "I really feel bad about it. I had no intentions of doing anything to upset you. I promise that I'll never, never do it again. From this day on there'll be nobody but my wife for me."

"That is better, my son. I forgive you."

The old minister leans over the top of the pulpit and pats me on the shoulder.

We shake hands.

"Merry Christmas," say I.

Quietly I sit back in my chair. I certainly wouldn't want to intrude any further.

Nick stands up and turns around to try to catch a glimpse of me.

"Sit down, man," says the minister. Nick sits down.

"What's the matter, darling?" says Bea. "You look like you're not well." As she is saying this my wife comes back from the beach and they carry me to the bedroom.

"My husband had a sunstroke, but I will say that it is most careless of him to sit under the hot sun all afternoon without the protection of the parasol," my wife explains to Maggie when she comes back and asks about the cause of all the hubbub.

When they have put me to bed they call the doctor.

I perspire mightily, and that's strange because the whole room is filled with snow, nice clean virgin-white snow. The sexton, Jeremy stands on top of my wife's bed. He leans on a large snow shovel, glancing despondently on all the snow that now covers floor, bed blankets, toilet table and chairs.

"I don't rightly know as where I'll pile it," he says and scratches beneath his fur hat.

I close my eyes. Everything is going around and around.

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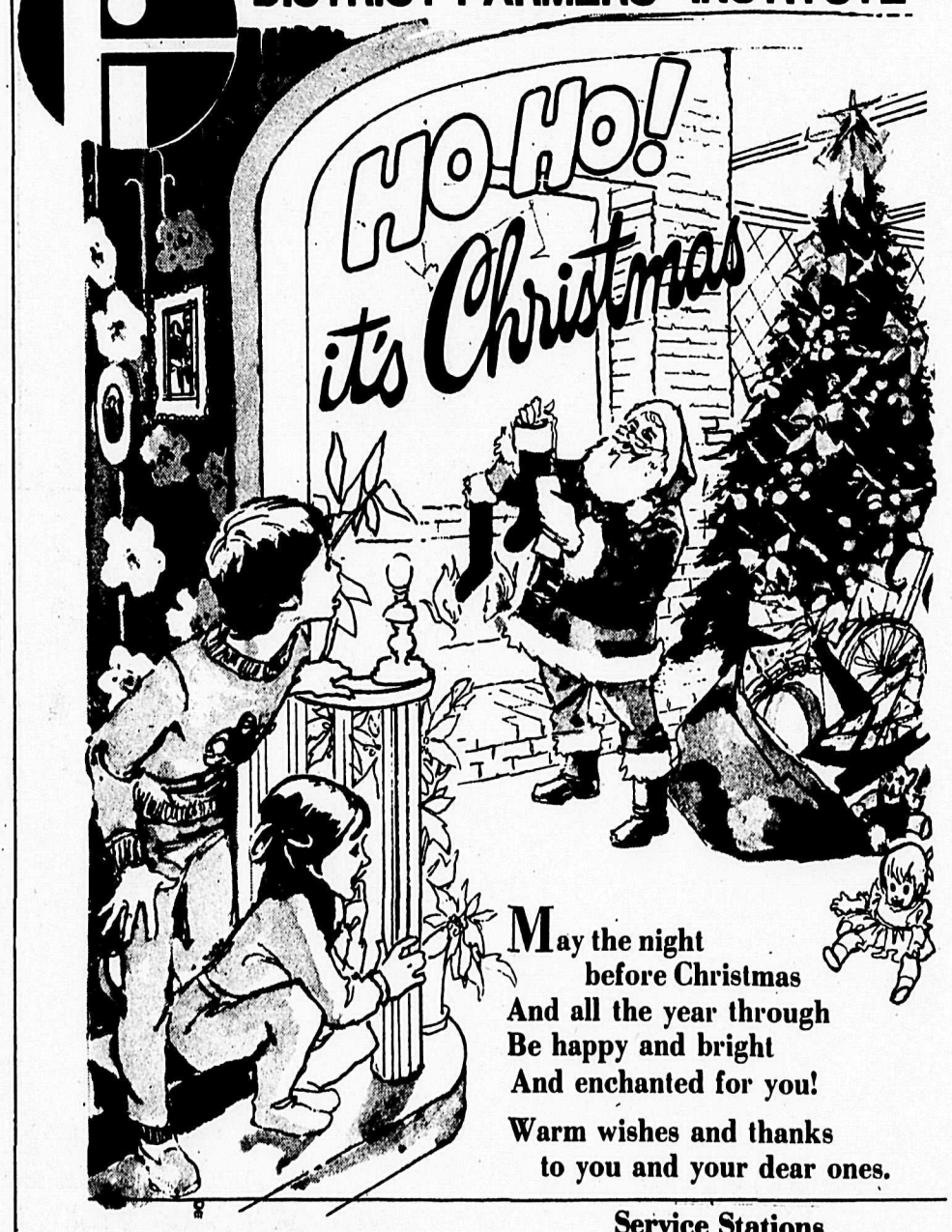

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Merry-Dell places tenth

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Weather Report

By NORM GREEN

1978	MAX.	MIN.	RAIN	SNOW
Dec. 11	6.9 deg. C	2.0	0.3 mm	-
Dec. 12	5.0	-3.9	-	-
Dec. 13	5.0	-5.0	4.6	0.5 cm
Dec. 14	7.6	-0.5	1.2	Trace
Dec. 15	4.9	-2.7	9.8	7.0
Dec. 16	7.0	2.0	-	-
Dec. 17	7.8	3.0	0.6	-

Normals for the period, MAX. 5.8 deg., MIN. -0.6 deg., PRECIP. 55.4 mm.

Daytime temperatures in the past week have been mostly above normal and precipitation amounts light. Temperatures for the seventeen days average 2.1 deg., 0.8 deg. below the normal 2.9 deg. The mean temperature Sunday (5.4 deg.) was the warmest since November 7th which had 9.8 deg. Five days have been mostly sunny. The surprise snowsotrm on Friday was the *second this season with sufficient to cause* traffic problems. Total snow so far this season is 20.2 cm compared to 40 cm in the same period last year.

Precipitation so far this month totals 82.6 mm, well below the normal 132.2 mm for the period. In the same period last December had 201.4 mm. 1978 will likely be the warmest year since 1967. Only September and November have had mean temperatures below normal, with December also likely to be on the cool side.

1978	Mean Temperature	Normal
Jan.	2.1 deg. C.	0.8 deg. C.
Feb.	4.8	3.3
Mar.	7.1 Rec.	4.9
Apr.	8.8	7.6
May	11.5	11.5
June	15.9	14.2
July	17.6	16.1
Aug.	16.6	16.0
Sept.	13.3	13.6
Oct.	10.3	9.3
Nov.	4.2	4.9
Average	10.2 deg.	9.3 deg.

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

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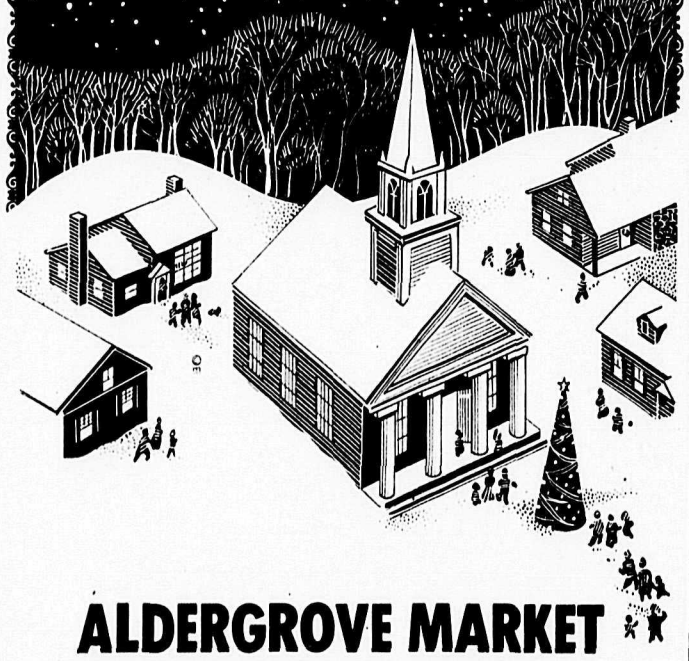

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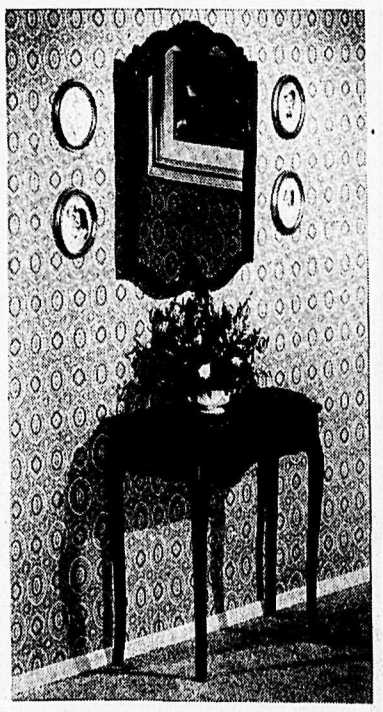

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Star 4-H Club report

By KAREN PLANK

ALDERGROVE - On Sunday, Nov. 26, after the Star 4-H club had come home from roller-skating in Lynden, we (a total of about 30), crammed into the Aldergrove Pizza Patio. The pizza was delicious and we would like to thank the staff for their hospitality and for all the free pop they provided.

Our second meeting of the 78/79 year was held at the home of Dan and Irene Ibsen on Monday, Dec. 4. At the meeting 17 members were present. We discussed new business, such as fund raisers and club fun nights. We decided on going on a pop and beer bottle drive on Saturday, Dec. 30. Please have your pop and beer bottles ready for us, we would appreciate them to build up our club funds. We also considered having a raffle for a food hamper in late January. We set up a club bowling night for Wed., Dec. 27. The club now has six senior members. Mark (100 percent), Lisa (80 percent) and myself(Karen) (96 percent) passed the junior proficiency exam.

The M.S.A. senior council is going to be having a raffle for a 10' by 10' hobby barn, to raise money for the 4-H barns on Riverside road. So don't be surprised if kids from all eight clubs in the M.S.A. area come to your door and ask you "Will you buy a raffle ticket to raise money for the 4-H barns?" - Be a pal - support 4-H!

Dates to Remember

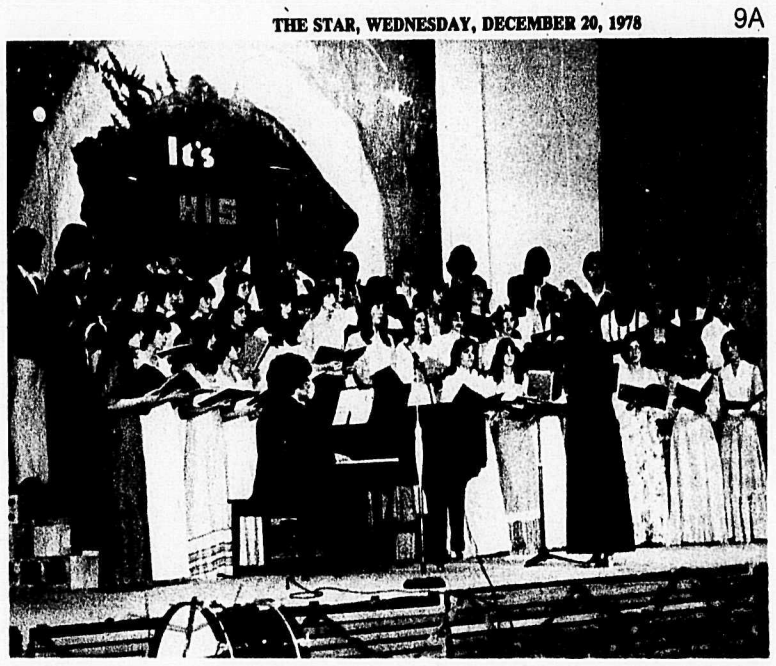
bowling night, Wed., Dec. 27/78 - 7:00 (check with Ibsens for place).

Bottle drive - Sat., Dc./78 - 10:00-2:00.

Dance - for 4-H members - 13 and up - Wed. Dec.178 - 8:00 till midnight, Bellingham.

Meeting - Mon., Jan. 15/78 - 7:00 - Ibsen's.

Work bee - Sat., Jan. 20/78 - 10:00 - Plank's.



ALDERGROVE - Fraser Valley Adventist Academy's choir under the direction of Dorothy Schafer presented a number of traditional selections during the school's annual Christmas program last Saturday evening. Accompianist for the choir is Kraig Scott, grade 12 student.

County Line Christmas program

COUNTY LINE - Local residents experienced an evening of excitement and fun, laughter and singing last Wednesday as County Line school presented its annual Christmas program. Over 250 people were on hand, and judging from the comments received by Mr. Wiebe, the school principal, the program was an outstanding success.

Following the singing of "O Canada" and a few words of welcome from Mr. Wiebe, the kindergarten class led by Mrs. Erisman sand "'Frosty the Snowman", What I Want for Christmas", and "Jingle Bells". They were followed by the senior shoir, conducted by Mr. Justice, singing "O Come, All Ye Faithful", "Ding, Dong, Merrily on High", and "Silent Night".

The audience then saw the first of five plays to be presented. Miss Pilon's grades 1 and 2 class performed "The Old Woman and the Shoe", with each child having a moment at center stage. Mr. Sawatsky's grades 2 and 3 class offered a choral speaking production of the "Friendly Beast".

A change of pace was provided by the grades 3 and 4 class, who, led by Mr. Brown, sang with ukulele accompaniment "This Old Man" and "Jingle Bells". They were followed by the senior choir singing "Once In Royal David's City", "Emmanuel", and "Bethlehem of Noblest Cities". The grades 6 and 7 class, led by Mr. Rutherford, sand "L'Enfant au Tambour" to single drum accompaniment.

Mr. Sawatsky's class returned to present a musical play, "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and the audience was delighted with the reindeer leading Santa through the gym.

"A Christmas Carol", the well-known Dickens' play was presented to the parents of the drama club. The members, directed by Miss Pilon, had spent many hours of their own time learning their lines and actions, and it was evident in the very smooth performance.

The junior choir then entertained the audience. Conducted by Mr. Sawatsky, the primary students sand "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and "Up on the Housetop". This was followed by a pantomime play entitled "The Christmas Cake", presented by the grades 6 and 7 class, directed by Mr. Wiebe and Mr. Rutherford. The junior choir sang "Away in a Manger" and "The Little Drummer Boy."

The final play of the evening, "The Christmas the Animals Discovered Santa," was performed by Mr. Anthony's grades 3 and 4 class. They were followed by the senior choir, leading the audience in "The Twelve Days of Christmas", "Deck the Halls", and "Away in a Manger."

Mr. Wiebe thanked the parents who had helped with the costumes and props, congratulated the pupils and teachers on their very fine efforts and thanked the parents for coming to the performances. The two hour program closed with the singing of "God Save the Queen".

"An excellent program", "A tremendous performance", One of the best concerts I've ever attended". "Definitely one of the highs", were but some of the comments directed to the principal at the conclusion of the program.

O.O.R.P. news

ALDERGROVE - Aldergrove lodge O.O.R.P. met in the Elks hall on Thursday, Dec. 14 with H.R.L. Florence Gunn in the chair. Sixteen ladies answered the roll call.

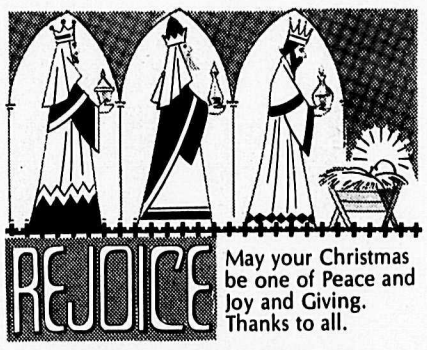
The sunshine convenor, Mary Miller, reported gifts and cards had been sent to the life members.

Tickets were drawn for the raffle.

The grocery hamper was won by Mary Staff of Burnaby and the woolen rug was won by E. Beggs of Aldergrove.

After the meeting lunch was served by Mildred Genberg and Mary Johnson.

The next meeting will be held in the Elks hall on January 11.



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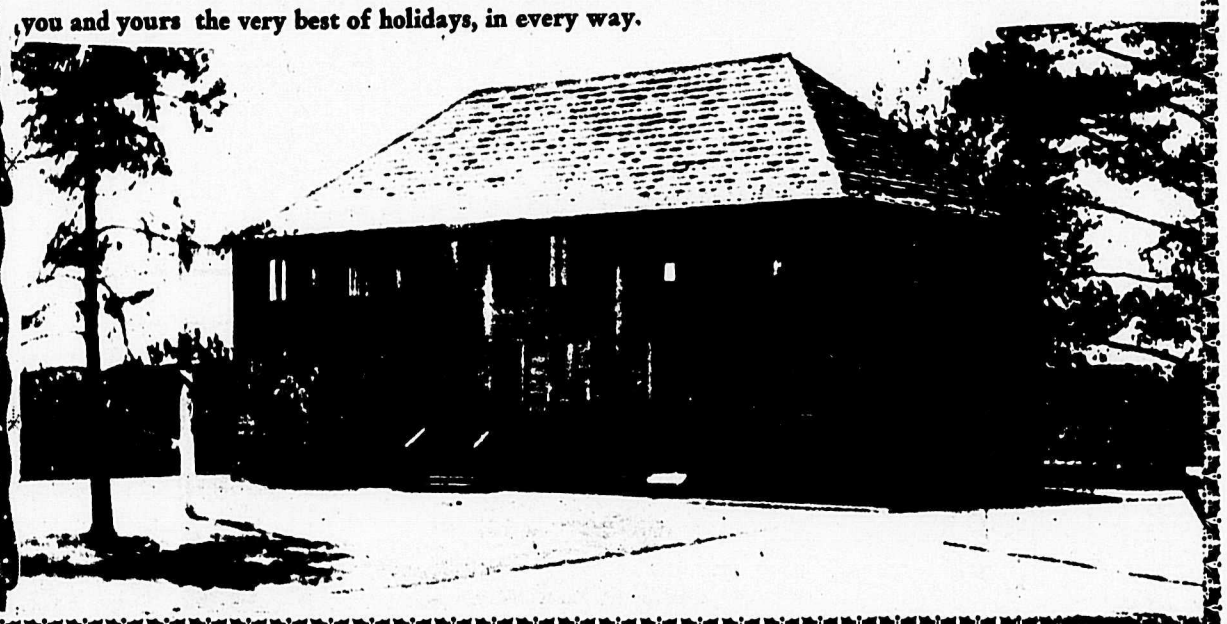

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Wednesday, Dec. 20

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My Children	Hollywood Sqs.	News	News	News	Sesame St.	Bewitched	Dr. In House	All My Children
12:30	Search for Tom.	Cont'd.	Days of	Ida Clarkson	As the	Movie:	Cont'd.	Adam-12	All In Family	Cont'd.
1:00	Bob McLean	1 Life To Live	Our Lives	Marcus Welby	World Turns	Fly Me, If You	'78 Novel	Movie:	Crosswits	Vancouver
1:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	The Doctors	Cont'd.	Guiding Light	Find Me	Awards	War of	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.
2:00	Edge of Night	General	Another	Cdn. Schools	Cont'd.	Another	Cont'd.	Gargantuas	Dating Game	Cont'd.
2:30	Cdn. Authors	Hospital	World	Adam-12	M.A.S.H.	World	Birth & Death	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Lively Special
3:00	Take 30	Edge of Night	Movie:	Take 30	Dinah	Alan Hamel	Over Easy	Popeye	Match Game	News
3:30	Celebrity Cooks	Boomerang	Love is a Ball	Celebrity Cooks	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Book Beat	Banana Splits	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Charlie Chaplin	$6,000,000 Man	Cont'd.	Bionic	Cont'd.	Hollywood	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Little Rascals
4:30	Yor Kids	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Woman	Joey, Redhawk	Hockey:	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligan's Island	Part. Family
5:00	Goodies	News	Carol Burnett	Sanford & Son	News	Vancouver	Mr. Rogers	Hall of	My 3 Sons	Black Beauty
5:30	All In Family	Cont'd.	News	News	Cont'd.	at Detroit	Electric Co.	Fame Bowl	I Love Lucy	Cont'd.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Blue Marble	Cont'd.	Silent Night	Carol Burnett
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	Cont'd.	Dick Cavett	Cont'd.	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	Mary T. Moore	P.M. Northwest	Seattle	Oral Roberts	Newlywed Gm.	News	News	Cont'd.	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	Muppets	Animals	Once Upon Tree	Cont'd.	Jokers Wild	Winsday	Reginald Perrin	Cont'd.	-Wives of Pat.	Cont'd.
8:00	Gift to Last	8 is Enough	Dick Clark	Gift to Last	Oral Roberts	8 Is Enough	Dial Line 9	Lou Rawls	Newlywed Game	Cont'd.
8:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	On Ice	Merv Griffin	Cont'd.
9:00	Musicamera	Charlie's	Movie:	Musicamera	Movie:	Charlie's Angels	Performances	Wayne Newton	Cont'd.	Movie:
9:30	Cont'd.	Angels	Ishi: Last of	Cont'd.	A Christmas	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tell Me You
10:00	Cont'd.	Vega$	His Tribe	Sha Na Na	to Remember	Brenda Lee	Simple Gifts	News	Fight Against	Love Me,
10:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Watson Report	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Dating Game	Slavery	Junie Moon
11:00	News	News	News	News	News	News	Short Story	Gong Show	Love Experts	Sports Page
11:30	Police Woman	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Outer Limits	Late Movie	Cont'd.

Thursday, Dec. 21

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My Children	Hollywood Sqs.	News	News	News	Sesame Street	News	Dr. In House	All My
12:30	Search for Tom.	Cont'd.	Days of	Ida Clarkson	As the	Movie:	Cont'd.	Adam-12	All In Family	Children
1:00	Bob McLean	1 Life To Live	Our Lives	Marcus Welby	World Turns	Gamera vs	Bernstein	Movie:	Crosswits	Vancouver
1:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	The Doctors	Cont'd.	Guiding Light	Monster X	at 60	Wonders of	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.
2:00	Edge of Night	General	Another	Can. Schools	Cont'd.	Another World	Cont'd.	Aladdin	Dating Game	Cont'd.
2:30	Cdn. Authors	Hospital	World	Cdn. Authors	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Cont'd.
3:00	Take 30	Edge of Night	Movie:	Take 30	Dinah	Alan Hamel	Over Easy	Popeye	Match Game	News
3:30	Celebrity Cooks	Treehouse	I Walk Alone	Celebrity Cooks	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Julia Child	Banana Splits	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Charlie Chaplin	$6,000,000 Man	Cont'd.	Bionic Woman	Everyday	Price is Right	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Battle Planets
4:30	What's New	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligan's Island	Part. Family
5:00	Goodies	News	Carol Burnett	Sanford & Son	News	$6,000,000 Man	Mr. Rogers	I Love Lucy	My 3 Sons	Black Beauty
5:30	All in Family	Cont'd.	News	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Electric Co.	Part. Family	I Love Lucy	Cont'd.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	News	Blue Marble	Brady Bunch	Andy Griffiths	Carol Burnett
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	Cont'd.	Dick Cavett	My 3 Sons	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	Mary T. Moore	P.M. Northwest	Seattle	Movie:	Newlywed Game	Stars on Ice	News	Hogan's Heroes	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	Carolling	Exploration NW	Match Game	Silent Night,	Joker's Wild	Patsy Gallant	Stepping Out	Bob Newhart	On the Buses	Cont'd.
8:00	Barney Miller	Mork & Mindy	Drummer Boy	Lonely Night	The Waltons	Oral Roberts	Nova	Donna Fargo	Newlywed Game	Cont'd.
8:30	King Kens.	Happening	Gift of	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Odyssey	Marty Robbins	Merv Griffin	Cont'd.
9:00	Canadian	Barney Miller	the Magi	Hawaii 5-0	Hawaii 5-0	Xmas Lace	Rush	Dolly	Cont'd.	Nana Mouskouri
9:30	Express	Soap	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Soap	Cont'd.	Ski In	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
10:00	Return of	Family	Man	Barnaby	Barnaby	Family	Visions	News	Fight Against	Man
10:30	the Saint	Cont'd.	Undercover	Jones	Jones	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Dating Game	Slavery	Undercover
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Cont'd.	Odd Couple	Love Experts	Sports Page
11:30	Night Final	Starsky, Hutch	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Late Movie	News	Sign Off	Gong Show	Late Movie	Cont'd.

Friday, Dec. 22

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My	Hollywood Sqs.	News	News	News	Sesame Street	News	Dr. In House	All My Children
12:30	Search for Tom.	Children	Days of	Ida Clarkson	As World	Movie:	Cont'd.	Adam-12	All In Family	Cont'd.
1:00	Bob McLean	1 Life	Our Lives	Marcus Welby	Turns	Naples Best	Symphony:	Movie:	Crosswits	Vancouver
1:30	Cont'd.	to Live	The Doctors	Cont'd.	Guiding Light	Cont'd.	Messiah	The	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.
2:00	Edge of Night	General	Another	Can. Schools	Cont'd.	Another World	Cont'd.	Daydreamer	Dating Game	Cont'd.
2:30	Cdn. Stars	Hospital	World	Cdn. Authors	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Cont'd.
3:00	Take 30	Edge of Night	Movie:	Take 30	Dinah	Alan Hamel	Cont'd.	Popeye	Match Game	News
3:30	Celebrity Cooks	Treehouse	Scared Stiff	Celebrity Cooks	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Over Easy	Banana Splits	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Charlie Chaplin	$6,000,000 Man	Cont'd.	Bionic Woman	Everyday	Price is Right	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Battle Planets
4:30	Kids Only	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligan's Island	Part. Family
5:00	Goodies	News	Carol Burnett	Sanford & Son	News	$6,000,000	Mr. Rogers	I Love Lucy	My 3 Sons	Petit. Junction
5:30	All in Family	Cont'd.	News	News	Cont'd.	Man	Electric Co.	Part. Family	I Love Lucy	Hollywood Sqs.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	News	Growing Years	Brady Bunch	Andy Griffith	Carol Burnett
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	Cont'd.	Dick Cavett	My 3 Sons	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	Mary T. Moore	PM Northwest	Seattle	Incredible	Newlywed Game	Downright Disco	News	Hogan's Heroes	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	2 Ronnies	Muppet Show	Hollywood Sqs.	Hulk	Joker's Wild	Circus	Gardening	Bob Newhart	Dr. on the Go	Cont'd.
8:00	All in Family	John	Bob Hope	King Kens.	Basketball:	John	Wn. Review	Dating Game	Newlywed Game	Bob Hope
8:30	Challenge	Davidson	Cont'd.	Challenge	Seattle at	Davidson	Wall Street	Comedy Shop	Merv Griffin	Special
9:00	Loto Canada	Movie:	Rockford	Loto Canada	Los Angeles	Rockford	Theatre	Hot City	Cont'd.	Capra
9:30	Gold on Tapp	Eight is	Files	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Files	Cont'd..	Disco	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
10:00	Pacific	Enough	Eddie Capra	National	Incredible	Sword of	Turnabout	News	Fight Against	Flying High
10:30	Report	Cont'd.	Mysteries	Geographic	Hulk	Justice	Cinema	Dating Game	Slavery	Cont'd.
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Soundstage	Odd Couple	Love Experts	Sports Page
11:30	Night Final	Baretta	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Gong Show	Late Movie	Cont'd.

Saturday, Dec. 23

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Sports '78	Am. Bandstand	Vegetable Soup	McGowan & Co.	Football:	McGowan	Feeling Free	Movie:	Bugs Bunny	100 Huntley St.
12:30	Curling	Football:	This Generation	Curling	Chicago at Wn.	Discover	Xmas in Wales	Angel & the	Cont'd.	Sports
1:00	Cont'd.	L.S.U. vs	Wildlife	Travel	Sports	Feel Like	Movie:	Badman	Ray's Budget	Cont'd.
1:30	Mr. Chips	Missouri	Hockey:	News	Spectacular	Dancin'	Androcles and	Cont'd.	Perspective	Cont'd.
2:00	Movie:	Cont'd.	Seattle Breakers	Sports Review	Cont'd.	Journal	the Lion	Movie:	700 Club	Cont'd.
2:30	Should Happen	Cont'd.	vs Soviet	Gardening	Cont'd.	Film Flam	Cont'd.	Bomba & the	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
3:00	to You	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Joyce Kelly	Movie:	Wrestling	Oil Painting	Lost Volcano	Cont'd.	News
3:30	Wild Kingdom -	Movie:	Cont'd.	Discover	3 Worlds of	Cont'd.	Egypt	Cont'd.	Wacky Races	Cont'd.
4:00	Reach for Top	I Remember	Cont'd.	Travel	Gulliver	World of	Firing Line	Voyage to	Funorama	Wrestling
4:30	News	Mama	Great Game	Cap. Comment	Cont'd.	Sports	Cont'd.	Bottom Sea	Our Gang	Cont'd.
5:00	Hockey:	Cont'd.	Adventure	Hockey:	Tell the Truth	Cont'd.	Wonder Anew	Football:	Ruff House	Bugs Bunny
5:30	Los Angeles	Cont'd.	News	Los Angeles	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tangerine Bowl	Gift of Winter	Cont'd.
6:00	at Vancouver	Game of Week	Cont'd.	at Vancouver	Cont'd.	News	Once Upon	Cont'd.	Fight Against	Inside Track
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Animal World	Cont'd.	Good Times	Cont'd.	Julia Childs	Cont'd.	Slavery	Bob Newhart
7:00	Cont'd.	Lawrence Welk	Wild Kingdom	Cont'd.	$1.98 Show	Rudolph's	Nova	Cont'd.	Sleeping	Movie:
7:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Gong Show	Cont'd.	Family Feud	Shiny New Year	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Beauty	Hugo the
8:00	Mork & Mindy	Welcome Kotter	Stingiest Man	Chips	Stole Xmas	Movie:	Life Around Us	Hee Haw Honey	Ballet	Hippo
8:30	Bonkers	Carter Country	in Town	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	It Happened	Reginald Perrin	Pop! Country	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
9:00	Paper Chase	Love Boat	Lifeline	Movie:	Movie:	One Christmas	Christmas	60 M.P.H.	Cont'd.	Love Boat
9:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Legend of	Who'll Save	Cont'd.	Heritage	Country N.W.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
10:00	Nice Show	Fantasy Island	Weekend	Hell House	Our Children	Fantasy Island	Xmas Celebrat.	Movie:	Movie:	2nd City T.V.
10:30	Like You	Cont'd.	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Xmas Snows	Arsenic &	The Horsemen	Showdown
11:00	National News	News	Sat. Night	Nd Show	Movie:	News	Percussion Noel	Old Lace	Cont'd.	Sports Page
11:30	Night Final	Cont'd.		Cont'd.	Breezy	Cont'd.	Sign Off	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.

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Sunday, Dec. 24

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12:00	Football:	Issues & Ans.	AFC Division	Terry Winters	Lively Arts	Good News	Christmas	Movie:	Gospel Hour	Sports
12:30	Teams T.B.A.	T.B.A.	Playoffs	Emergency	Pre-Game Show	Better Way	Heritage	Santa Conquers	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
1:00	Cont'd.	Directions	Movie:	Cont'd.	Football:	Terry Winters	Wash. Review	the Martians	Rev. Solbrekken	Cont'd.
1:30	Cont'd.	Action	Dr. Doolittle	Movie:	Minnesota	Movie:	Wall Street	Movie:	P.T.L. Club	Cont'd.
2:00	Xmas Special	Harold Lloyd	Cont'd.	Fly Me, If You	at Oakland	Home for the	News	Enchanted	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
2:30	Cont'd.	Stand By	Cont'd.	Find Me	Cont'd.	Holidays	Live from Met	Forest	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
3:00	Music to See	Mr. Roberts	Cont'd.	Music to See	Cont'd.	Movie:	Cont'd.	Movie:	Cont'd.	News
3:30	Money Mag.	T.B.A.	Americans	Money Mag.	Cont'd.	Murder Arena	Cont'd.	Mouse on	Mormon Choir	Cont'd.
4:00	Count. Canada	T.B.A.	Cont'd.	Count. Canada	National	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	the Moon	Funorama	Money Talks
4:30	Hymn Sing	T.B.A.	Religious	Hymn Sing	Geographic	Question Period	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Our Gang	Horst Koehler
5:00	Sly Thief	Alias Smith	Meet the Press	Student Forum	In Search of	Untamed World	Cont'd.	Tarzan	Bears Dance	Visit Mrs. G.
5:30	Parliament	& Jones	News	News	David Horowitz	Cap. Comment	German	Cont'd.	Dickens A	Cartoon
6:00	World of	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Havoc Struck	News	Soccer	Star Trek	Christmas	Christmas with
6:30	Disney	T.B.A.	How Come	Cont'd.	Around Here	Cont'd.	Christmas on	Cont'd.	Carol	Sesame St.
7:00	Beachcombers	T.B.A.	G.E. Theatre	Beachcombers	60 Minutes	Hardy Boys	Sesame Street	Outer Limits	60 Minutes	Flintstones
7:30	Nature Things	T.B.A.	Cont'd.	Nature Things	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Egypt	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	The Christmas
8:00	Emmett Otter's	Battlestar	Movie:	Lawrence	All in Family	Battlestar	Peege	Speakout	Mixed Blessings	Martian
8:30	Jugband Xmas	Galactica	Huckleberry	Welk	Cont'd.	Galactica	Sing Me Noel	Native Visions	Name Tune	Forgot Xmas
9:00	Raisins &	Movie: T.B.A.	Finn	Raisins &	Kaz	Johnny Cash	Theatre	Lutheran	Movie:	Dofasco Xmas
9:30	Almonds	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Almonds	Cont'd.	Christmas	Cont'd.	Choir	Bells of	Joyous Noel
10:00	Parvotti	Cont'd.	Sword of	Pavarotti	Dallas	Calgary	Handel's	Kroeze Bros.	St. Mary's	Movie:
10:30	Special	Cont'd.	Justice	Special	Cont'd.	Philharmonic	Messiah	700 Club	Cont'd.	We're No
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Angels
11:30	Night Final	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.

Monday, Dec. 25

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My Children	Hollywood Sqs.	Movie:	News	Movie:	Christmas on	Bewitched	Dr. In House	All My Children
12:30	Hailey's Gift	Cont'd.	NFL Pre-Game	Treasure	As World	Treasure Island	Sesame Street	Adam-12	Jeannie	Cont'd.
1:00	Carols	One Life	Fiesta Bowl:	Island	Turns	Cont'd.	Alice Through	Movie:	Crosswits	Dofasco Xmas
1:30	H.M. the Queen	to Live	Arkansas vs	Cont'd.	Guiding Light	Looking Glass	Snow Queen	Dating Game	Dating Game	Christmas Is
2:00	Hans Christian	General	U.C.L.A.	Movie:	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Joyous Noel
2:30	Anderson	Hospital	Cont'd.	The Nativity	M.A.S.H.	Snow Queen	Sing Noel	3 Musketeers	Cont'd.	Inside Track
3:00	Cont'd.	Edge of Night	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Dinah	Cont'd.	Over Easy	Cont'd.	Match Game	News
3:30	Cont'd.	Boomerang	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Alan Hamel	Survival Kit	Popeye	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Xmas 2 Step	$6,000,000 Man	Movie:	Bionic Woman	Cont'd.	Movie:	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Battle Planets
4:30	Tales of	Cont'd.	Goodbye	Cont'd.	Joey, Redhawk	Wizard	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligans Island	Part. Family
5:00	Beatrice	News	Mr. Chips	Sanford & Son	News	of Oz	Mr. Rogers	I Love Lucy	My 3 Sons	Petit. Junction
5:30	Potter	Cont'd.	Carol Burnett	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Electric Co.	Part. Family	I Love Lucy	Hollywood Sqs.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	News	Growing Years	Brady Bunch	Andy Griffith	Carol Burnett
6:30	Xmas Festival	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Dick Cavett	My 3 Sons	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	on Ice	T.B.A.	Mr. Magoo's	Little House	Newlywed Game	Grand Country	News	Hogan's Heroes	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	Reach For Top	T.B.A.	Xmas Carol	on the Prairie	Jokers Wild	The Waltons	Battle Line	Bob Newhart	2's Company	Cont'd.
8:00	Al Waxman	T.B.A.	Little House	Circus Clowns	Charlie Brown	Cont'd.	Fall of Eagles	Movie:	Newlywed Game	Cont'd.
8:30	Cont'd.	T.B.A.	on the Prairie	Cont'd.	Before Xmas	Wonderland	Cont'd.	Miracle on	Merv Griffin	Dick Emery
9:00	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	Movie:	Little Burro	M.A.S.H.	Movie:	10 Who Dared	34th Street	Cont'd.	Movie:
9:30	The Nutcracker	T.B.A.	Sunshine	The Nutcracker	1 Day at a Time	Sunshine	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Xmas Miracle
10:00	Man Alive	T.B.A.	Christmas	Man Alive	Lou Grant	Christmas	Christmas Eve	News	T.B.A.	Cont'd.
10:30	Cont'd.	T.B.A.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Dating Game	T.B.A.	at Caulfield
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Cont'd.	Odd Couple	Love Experts	Movie:
11:30	Xmas Carol	S. Holmes	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Gong Show	Late Movie	Alakazam

Tuesday, Dec. 26

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My Children	Hollywood Sqs.	Ida Clarkson	News	Movie:	Sesame Street	News	Dr. In House	All My Children
12:30	Search for Tom.	Cont'd.	Days of	Ida Clarkson	As the	Lad: - A Dog	Cont'd.	Adam-12	All In Family	Cont'd.
1:00	Bob McLean	One Life	Our Lives	Marcus	World Turns	Cont'd.	Beauty and	Movie:	Crosswits	Vancouver
1:30	Cont'd.	to Live	The Doctors	Welby	Guiding Light	Cont'd.	the Beast	Don't Give Up	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.
2:00	Edge of Night	General	Another	Camera 12	Cont'd.	Another World	the Ship	Dating Game	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
2:30	Cdn. Stars	Hospital	World	Cdn. Authors	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Lively Special
3:00	Take 30	Edge of Night	Movie:	Take 30	Dinah	Alan Hamel	Over Easy	Popeye	Match Game	News
3:30	Celebrity Cooks	Treehouse	Speedway	Celebrity Cooks	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Feeling Free	Banana Splits	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Charlie Chaplin	$6,000,000 Man	Cont'd.	Bionic	Cont'd.	Price is	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Battle Planets
4:30	Pencil Box	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Woman	Joey, Redhawk	Right	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligan's Island	Part. Family
5:00	Goodies	News	Carol Burnett	Sanford & Son	News	$6,000,000	Mr. Rogers	I Love Lucy	My 3 Sons	Petit. Junction
5:30	All in Family	Cont'd.	News	News	Cont'd.	Man	Electric Co.	Part. Family	I Love Lucy	Hollywood Sqs.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	News	Blue Marble	Brady Bunch	Andy Griffith	Carol Burnett
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	Cont'd.	Dick Cavett	My 3 Sons	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	Mary T. Moore	P.M. Northwest	Seattle	Movie:	Newlywed Game	Head. Hunters	News	Hogan's Heroes	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	Xmas Celebrat.	Sha Na Na	Name Tune	Hutch	Joker's Wild	What's My Line	Newsmakers	Bob Newhart	On the Buses	Cont'd.
8:00	Happy Days	Happy Days	Grandpa Goes	Please Stand By	Paper Chase	Grandpa Goes	Symphony	Movie:	Newlywed Game	Cont'd.
8:30	Rene Simard	Lav. & Shirley	to Washington	Rene Simard	Cont'd.	to Washington	Cont'd.	Return of	Merv Griffin	Laverne, Shirley
9:00	3's Company	T.B.A.	Movie:	$1.98 Contest	Movie:	T.B.A.	Cont'd.	the Seven	Cont'd.	Movie:
9:30	Genie In	T.B.A.	Xmas Miracle	Genie In the	The	Taxi	Fawlty Towers	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Wilderness
10:00	the Bottle	Starsky &	in Caulfield	Bottle	Millionaire	Quincy	Cinema	News	Upstairs/	Trails
10:30	Beyond Reason	Hutch	U.S.A.	Beyond Reason	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Showcase	Dating Game	Downstairs	Cont'd.
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Cont'd.	Odd Couple	Love Experts	Sports Page
11:30	Night Final	Late Movie	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Gong Show	Late Movie	Cont'd.

Wednesday, Dec. 27

	CHANNEL 2	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5	CHANNEL 6	CHANNEL 7	CHANNEL 8	CHANNEL 9	CHANNEL 11	CHANNEL 12	CHANNEL 13
12:00	Switzer	All My Children	Hollywood Sqs.	News	News	News	Sesame Street	News	Dr. In House	All My
12:30	Search for Tom.	Cont'd.	Days of	Ida Clarkson	As the	Movie:	Cont'd.	Adam-12	All In Family	Children
1:00	Bob McLean	1 Life To Live	Our Lives	Marcus	World Turns	Double Shock	Hedda	Movie:	Crosswits	Vancouver
1:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	The Doctors	Welby	Guiding Light	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	The	M.A.S.H.	Cont'd.
2:00	Edge of Night	General	Another	Camera 12	Cont'd.	Another	Cont'd.	Dating Game	Cont'd.	Cont'd.
2:30	Cdn. Stars	Hospital	World	Cdn. Authors	M.A.S.H.	World	Cont'd.	Tic Tac Dough	Cont'd.	Lively Special
3:00	Take 30	Edge of Night	Movie:	Take 30	Dinah	Alan Hamel	Over Easy	Popeye	Match Game	News
3:30	Celebrity Cooks	Boomerang	Critic's Choice	Celebrity Cooks	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Book Beat	Banana Splits	Jeannie	Cont'd.
4:00	Charlie Chaplin	Afterschool	Cont'd.	Bionic	Everyday	Price is Right	Sesame Street	Super Stars	Funorama	Battle Planets
4:30	For Kids	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Woman	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Leave to Beaver	Gilligan's Island	Part. Family
5:00	Goodies	News	Carol Burnett	Sanford & Son	News	Hollywood	Mr. Rogers	I Love Lucy	My 3 Sons	Petit. Junction
5:30	All in Family	Cont'd.	News	News	Cont'd.	Winsday	Electric Co.	Part. Family	I Love Lucy	Hollywood Sqs.
6:00	News	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Blue Marble	Brady Bunch	Andy Griffith	Carol Burnett
6:30	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Mary T. Moore	Dick Cavett	My 3 Sons	Gong Show	Bob Newhart
7:00	Mary T. Moore	P.M. Northwest	Seattle	Movie:	Newlywed Game	News	Hogan's Heroes	Joker's Wild	Vancouver
7:30	Muppets	World Animals	Newswrap	Cont'd.	Jokers Wild	Reginald Perrin	Bob Newhart	2's Company	Cont'd.
8:00	The Day My	Frosty	Dick Clark	Day My	Jackie Gleason	Mark Russell	The Plutocrats	Newlywed Game	Lessie
8:30	Grandad Died	Xmas Donkey	Cont'd.	Grandad Died	Christmas	Country Tales	Cont'd.	Merv Griffin	Uggams
9:00	T.B.A.	Perry Como's	Movie:	Sha Na Na	Loney, a Circle	Performance	Saudi Arabia	Cont'd.	Movie:
9:30	Musicamera	Christmas	Car Wash	Musicamera	of Children	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Eagles Over
10:00	Cont'd.	Grand Ole Opry	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	Human Body	Willa Cather's	News	T.B.A.	London
10:30	Watson Report	Christmas	Cont'd.	Watson Report	Cont'd.	Cont'd.	America	Dating Game	T.B.A.	Cont'd.
11:00	National News	News	News	News	News	News	Am. Short	Odd Couple	Love Experts	Sports Page
11:30	Night Final	Police Woman	Tonight Show	Cont'd.	Late Movie	Cont'd.	Story	Gong Show	Late Movie	Cont'd.

The Aldergrove Star
ENTERTAINMENT

"Prairie Schooners" entertain at Swingers xmas dance

ALDERGROVE - A very happy crowd attended the Swingers dance Saturday night, Dec. 9 in Pinegrove hall. Linda Warren of Abbotsford was the winner of the door prize and dancing partners Dorothy May of Surrey and George McLean of Clearbrook won the spot dance.

The Prairie Schooners will entertain with the best of old tyme dance music at the Christmas dance of the Swingers being held Saturday night, Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. in Pinegrove hall. There again will be a door prize, spot dance prize and refreshments will be served.

Langley's pre-school xmas party

LANGLEY - The Langley Y pre-school classes are having a Christmas party, December 20, from 1-4 p.m. Any children that have attended any gym classes, pre-school classes, or babysitting during the fall 1978 program session are welcome to come and moms and dads are welcome also. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Also, there wil be a special visit from Santa, along with a gym club display, sing-song, snacktime, games and crafts.

A tree is decorated as part of a play at Dunach school.
-Rick McIlwain Photo

Spring showing of Oliver

The Valley Musical Theatre Guild will swing into the new year by commencing auditions for their sping musical "Oliver", to be run the last two weeks of April. Auditions will be held in the bandroom of Abbotsford senior secondary school on January 7 and 11 for adults and January 14 and 18 for children. Childrens parts are:

Oliver - looks 13 and sings well. Artful Dodger - undersized 18. Bet - a girl of 13. Charlotte - teenage girl. Noah Claypole - teenage boy. Additional boys parts as members of workhouse gang and Faggin's gang.

Adult men: Faggin - An elderly receiver, good actor. Bill Sikes - A villain about 35. Mr. Bumble - Large pompous man of 55. Mr. Brownlow - Elderly gentleman of wealth and breeding. Mr. Sowerberry - An undertaker. Dr. Grimwig - A doctor.

Adult Women: Nancy - Twenty-three, and able to sing and act. Mrs. Corney - sharp-tongued widow of 50. Mrs. Sowerberry - The undertaker's overseer. Mrs. Bedwin - The Brownlow's housekeeper. Old Sally - A pauper.

In addition there are many secondary singing and acting roles available as well as chorus roles.

The guild is also interested in pianists to assist with auditions and rehearsals. For information phone: 856-8720, 853-9231 or 534-2288.

Concert update

First Holiday Bowl, Wed., Dec. 27 at the Coliseum, features Sammy Hagar, Jerry Doucette and Chilliwack. The show, promoted by Perryscope, starts at 7:15 p.m.

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James Cotton, and his six piece band will take the Commodore for a whirlwind week of festivities, starting Thurs., Dec. 28 and through to New Year's Eve. The Thunderbird Blues band starts the show each night at 9:15. All four dates of their appearance last year were sold out. Tickets are $5. (Thurs.), $6. (Fri. & Sat.) and $12 (New Year's Eve), and are available at Woodward's.

Isle of Man presents Village People and Sylvester at the QU Theatre, Thursday, January 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $9. to $13. at Concert box offices.

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Super-stars Joe Pass, Oscar Peterson, Ella Fitzgerald and Count Basie are coming to the QU Theatre Sun., Feb. 4 at 6 and 9 p.m. The show is sponsored by Pablo records and tickets are $10., $12. and $15. from Famous Artists.

Holiday treats for season's sore feet

Whether queuing up at counters or rushing from store to store, holiday shopping sprees can take the twinkle out of anyone's toes.

To keep shoppers in step with the hectic holiday pace, the foot care experts at Scholl suggest these tips for treating seasonably sore feet:

- Bundling up in heavy winter footwear can restrict a foot's natural movement, so be sure boots fit properly. Leave some room for toes, arches and ankles to flex and "breathe." The extra space also allows warm air to circulate and helps keep out the cold.
- Be comfortable during rounds of shopping by slipping thermal cushions or fleecy insoles inside boots or shoes. Scholl's Sheep Wool Fleece Insoles, for instance, contain layers of foam and fiber to block out chilly air, and sheep's wool to warm and cushion feet all day long.
- Take time to rest while shopping. Standing all day long can cause strain in legs and back as well as feet—and take all the fun out of choosing gifts.
- At home, freshen tired feet with a fragrant foot bath: just add Soap 'n Soak crystals to warm water to soothe and relieve achy muscles.
- Another way to put tired, swollen feet back into circulation is by raising and resting them above the heart level.

This season, comfortable gift shopping starts at the bottom, with happy holiday feet.

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Schools don't prepare girls for best jobs

A recent doctoral thesis concludes that schools prepare most young women to assume only stereotyped female roles such as wife and mother.

In a thesis for the University of Toronto, Susan Russel said schools are on kind of institution that perpetuates sex roles and results in many women taking lower-status, lower-skill jobs.

Russell, an assistant professor of sociology at Concordia University in Montreal, found that the guidance councellors at an Ottawa high school, where most of her research was done, tended to steer females into jobs such as nurse or secretaries and away from traditionally male jobs such as lawyer or doctor.

A mass choir lifts their voices at Aldergrove elementary school concert.

-Rick McIlwain Photo

Before first holiday toast, take BCAA drinking quiz

With the holiday season fast approaching, cocktail glasses soon will be clinking, toasting past memories and future high hopes.

Unfortunately, many party-goers who will be driving home tend to overimbibe during the festive season.

Slippery road conditions so common during the holidays, says the B.C. Automobile ASsociation can team up with a drinking driver's already impaired judgment, and cause tragedy.

Drivers should drink sensibly and moderately, arranging alternate transportation home if they become too tipsy.

Most experts agree that alcohol is a contributing factor in nearly half of all traffic fatalities. To help party-goers learn more about alcohol and how it may affect their driving, here is a ten-point quiz for drivers to test themselves before making that first holiday toast.

1. A 12-ounce can of beer has less effect on driving skills than a 1½-ounce shot of hard liquor. True or false?
2. At what blood-alcohol level would you be considered legally intoxicated in British Columbia?
   a. .15 percent
   c. .08 percent
   d. .05 percent
3. Having just two drinks after dinner within an hour before driving will not impair the typical driver's capabilities. True or false?
4. If you are convicted of drunk driving, what punishment might you expect?
   a. a maximum fine of $2000.
   b. jail for up to six months
   c. suspension of your driver's licence
   d. all of the above
5. Drinking and driving could lead to suspension of your driving privileges even if police have not legally proved you are impaired. True or false?
6. After a conviction for drunk driving, what happens to your auto insurance:
   a. you lose safe driving discount
   b. your auto insurance rises 50 percent
   c. you will pay $100 for a driver's certificate
   d. your auto insurance rises 15 percent
7. After you stop drinking, at what rate does your blood-alcohol level drop per hour?
   a. .02 percent
   b. .05 percent
   c. .10 percent
   d. .15 percent
8. You can usually tell if you're too drunk to drive. True or falst?
9. If you weigh 150 pounds, how many consecutive bottles of beer would it take for you to be declared legally intoxicated?
   a. two
   b. three
   c. five
   d. six
10. The best way to sober up after drinking and before driving is to:
   a. drink hot coffee
   b. get exercise and fresh air
   c. just wait
   d. eat a lot of starchy food

Answers to drinking quiz:

1. **False.** While the percentage of alcohol in typical serving sizes of alcoholic beverages differs, they all pack the same "punch." A bottle of beer, 3 oz. serving of wine, 1½ oz. shot of whiskey or 2 oz. of liqueur all have the same effect on the blood alcohol level. The "just beer" and "just wine" myths are just that...myths!

2. **c.** In B.C. you are considered legally intoxicated when your blood-alcohol level reaches .08 percent.

3. **False.** That would bring your blood-alcohol level to about .05 percent -- not considered safe for driving.

4. **d.** Punishments vary according to whether there has been a previous conviction, but a fine, loss of licence and jail sentence can all be imposed, or any combination of penalty.

5. **True.** If police suspect a driver has alcohol in his/her body, they may demand that the driver take a breathalyzer test. If the driver refuses to take the test he/she is considered guilty of an indictable offence and is liable on first offence to a fine of anywhere between $50 and $2000, or to imprisonment of six months or both and to suspension of their driver's licence.

6. **a. and c.** You will lose your safe driving discount if you were involved in an accident at the time of your conviction for drunk driving. Though the basic insurance rate remains the same, on your next birthday you will receive a driver's certificate with a fine for $100 (the square root of the number of points on your driver's record up to a maximum of $200) if those 10 points are the only points on your record. The following year you would lose three points and would be ssessed a driver's certificate of an extra $49 in addition to your normal insurance rate.

7. **A.** A person's blood-alcohol level drops about .02 percent per hour if there are no more drinks consumed. Effects wear off at a fairly constant rate.

8. **False.** Your nervous system can be affected even when you dont feel, act of look drunk.

9. **b.** A 150-pound person's blood-alcohol level would be over .08 percent after three consecutive bottles of beer. Someone weighing 200 lbs. may be able to squeeze in four beers. It depends on your size. If the person is drinking beer by the glass, it would take about four.

10. **c.** Coffee, brisk walks, a cold shower and food do nothing but create a more wide-awake drunk. The only factor that leads to sobriety is time -- at least an hour for each one ounce drink consumed.

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Holiday gems sweeten the season and eggnog adds traditional touch

Combining tradition with Participaction during the Christmas season presents most of us with a severe challenge. Shortbreads and fruitcake are everywhere and irresistible. That growing spare tire will probably take six months' jogging in payment.

Egg Nog Bavarian with Winter Fruit Salad bows to tradition but avoids the caloric punch and excessive richness of the usual festive desserts. Leftovers from egg nog parties can provide the basic ingredient. Canned, dairy carton, or homemade egg nog work equally well.

EGG NOG BAVARIAN WITH WINTER FRUIT SALAD

1 envelope gelatin
2 cups eggnog, canned or dairy carton
¼ tsp. rum extract (optional)
1 pint whipping cream
1 tsp. vanilla
¼ cup sugar
2 each apple, pear, orange, banana
2 tbsp. each lemon juice and sugar

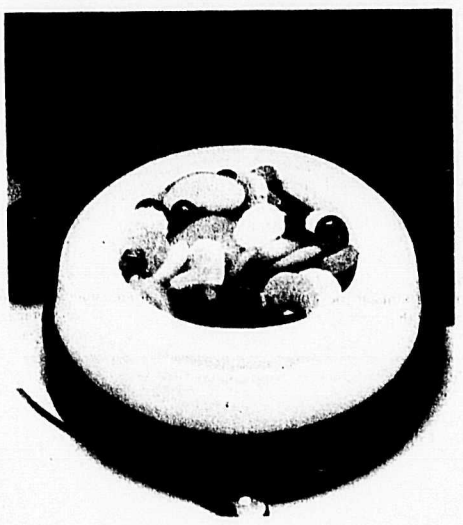
Dissolve gelatin in one quarter cup water, according to package directions. Allow to cool slightly.

Spice egg nog with rum extract, if desired. Slowly stir in liquid gelatin.

In a chilled bowl, combine whipping cream and vanilla. Whip until stiff, gradually adding sugar during last part of whipping. Fold into egg nog mixture. Pour into one quart ring mold that has been rinsed with water. Chill two hours or more.

Dip mold in warm water in order to unmold onto platter. Slice fruit, toss with lemon juice and sugar and fill centre of mold.

Serves 6 to 8.



Egg Nog leftovers may be frozen, poured over fresh fruit or prepared as a Bavarian dessert.

GELATIN JEWELS

3 envelopes unflavored gelatin
½ cup plus 2 tablespoons cold water
2 tablespoons corn starch
⅓ cup Leroux (Green Creme de Menthe or Amaretto di Torino or Chocolate Amaretto)
2 cups sugar
⅓ cup boiling water
Confectioners sugar

Soak up gelatin in ½ cup cold water in deep, heavy saucepan. Stir cornstarch into 2 tablespoons cold water and add to saucepan. Add Leroux Creme de Menthe or other Leroux liqueur and sugar. Stir in boiling water.

Cook, stirring constantly over medium heat until liquid boils. Boil 5 minutes without stirring. Remove from heat.

Cool in saucepan for about 15 minutes. Scrape foam to side of pan and pour liquid into a loaf pan. Cool overnight.

Loosen mixture from sides of pan and pull out onto waxed paper, dusted with confectioners sugar. Allow to dry for several hours or overnight.

Cut into triangles with a hot, wet knife. Dust with additional confectioners sugar.

Allow to air dry for several days.

EGGNOG EXTRAORDINAIRE

6 eggs, separated
½ cup sugar
½ cup Ronrico Gold Rum
½ cup Leroux Deluxe Brandy
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 pints heavy cream, whipped smooth
1½ cups milk (optional)

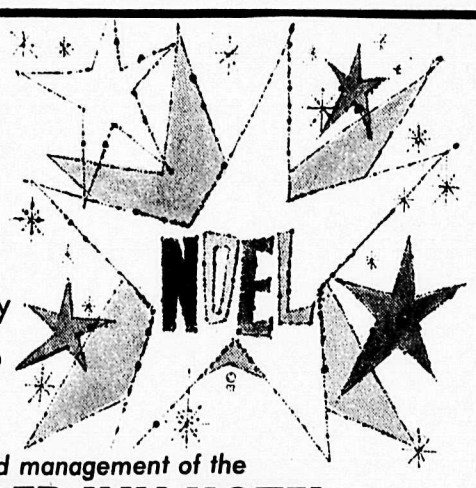
Beat egg yolks and sugar in an electric mixer until light and smooth. Add Ronrico Gold Rum, Leroux Deluxe Brandy and vanilla. Beat until smooth and refrigerate.

Beat egg whites stiff but not dry. Fold in whipped cream and egg whites and refrigerate 2 hours until well-chilled.

If desired, thin with cold milk and sprinkle lightly with grated nutmeg.

Makes about 16 punch-cup servings.

One of the many joys of this dazzling holiday is the opportunity to say thanks to many friends.



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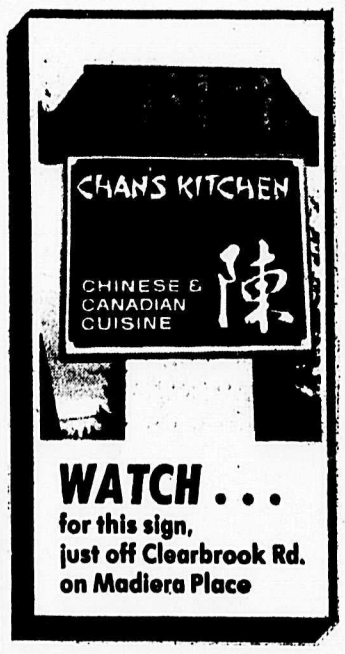

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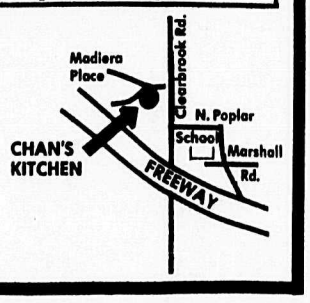

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Truck stop Christmas

By GARY CHAMBERS

"He didn't know what to tell her, what to say or do to ease her grief. Instinctively he placed his arm around her shoulder, but it only seemed to make her cry harder."

Max Mueller hooked the big steering wheel in the crook of his left elbow, grabbed the gearshift knob with both hands and jammed the old Kenworth into low gear. The big diesel sang in anguish as the transmission fought the pounding pistons, and the semi lurched back to begin its descent down the steep grade to Hatpin Creek. Just over a trestle bridge about a mile and a half ahead was the Hatpin Creek Lodge, the truck stop where Max intended to refuel and grab some hot coffee. In the summertime you could see the lodge lights from the brow of the hill, but on this Christmas Eve the headlight beams revealed nothing but a hundred feet of slippery road surface and an hypnotic display of blowing snow.

Hatpin Creek Lodge was a small truck stop as truck stops go, entirely dependent upon the regular clientele of men like Max Mueller. It was operated by old Chalky Jackson, his wife Stella and their niece Cleo. Apart from that the populace of Hatpin Creek consisted of three mongrel malamutes, about six half wild housecats and an itinerant flock of ravens. There was only one building. The front was a coffee shop and kitchen and the back held the living quarters, comprised only of two small bedrooms, a slightly larger livingroom and a cramped little toilet without a bath or shower cabinet. On the north side of the lodge, enclosed by layers of thick black plastic, was the lean-to where Chalky spent his days tinkering with the likes of worn out pump and chain saw motors. In the thirty odd years he ran the place, the shop had only once been used for major mechanical repairs to a tractor, and even then the trucking company sent its own mechanic down from Watson Lake reducing Chalky to the level of a clumsy sorcerer's apprentice. So he just fooled about all day with the same old worn out machines, convincing himself the work was important; that it had to be done; that the machines were needed and that their livelihood depended on it. The building and lean-to sat in the middle of a large gravel covered clearing. At the back of the lot, buried in snowdrifts, were five rusty old wrecks which had been looted long ago of their last valuable spare parts. The diesel pump was about fifty feet from the lodge while the regular gas pumps were right outside the front door.

Stella baked one of the best pies between Fort St. John and Whitehorse and brewed one of the best cups of coffee to boot. She had never known city life and never much cared to find out about it. Her formative years were spent on her parents' northern Manitoba wheat farm, where Chalky, the hired hand married her at a tender age in a countryside chapel. The family lost the farm in the great depression and Chalky and Stella moved on with the rest of the family spending five years rambling around the farming communities of the prairies, doing odd jobs on farms in the small towns. Then came the war and Chalky went overseas while Stella went north to stay with relatives. When he returned Chalky had a small bankroll of soldier's pay and with veteran's assistance they managed to purchase the truck stop at Hatpin Creek. Life since then had not been easy, but Stella was contented nevertheless. There were no wars or depressions at Hatpin Creek Lodge. Except for the changing seasons everything remained constant day after day, year in and year out, and that was just the way she liked it.

Cleo was the odd one out in the trio. Born the only child of an immigrant longshoreman and a chamber maid at the old Egress Hotel in Vancouver, she was three when her mother died of pneumonia, and barely four when a swing boom claimed her father too. Her aunt Stella and Uncle Chalky were the only relatives she had left in the world. Being childless they were pleased to take the orphan in and raise her at the lodge as their own. Cleo had since grown into a fine looking woman. As she grew older Cleo had begun to dwell more often on her city of origin, and at times this made her usually bright young features grow dark and sullen. Often she would sulk for days, refusing to speak about her problems with Stella and Chalky, and causing them both to be confused about her moody temperament. Cleo was in her mid-twenties but as giddy and restless as an adolescent.

The jake brake clattered like a bass-baritone gattling gun when Max Mueller saw the lights of Hatpin Creek Lodge rise up out of the blizzard. Spotlamps mounted over the front door and the colored rays from the oil company sign gave the drifting whiteness a mock yuletide guise as the rig pulled into the diesel pump. Max cussed softly under his breath at the teasing illusion. Christmas Eve was a time to be home with one's family or wrapped in the arms of one's best girl, not fighting through a near whiteout to deliver trailer loads of canned fish, fresh crab and assorted personal effects. The hydraulic brakes whined and hissed as the truck pulled to a stop.

As usual nothing stirred at the lodge. If its business depended on a speedy service Hatpin Creek Lodge would have been bankrupt years before. Max zipped up the old airman's jacket he wore in the truck and pulled on his thick pigskin work gloves. He wondered if he should wake his partner who was snoring in the sleeper. Deciding against it he shoved the cab door open and jumped out into the twenty-below night. Fresh dry snow crunched beneath his feet like millions of soda crackers, and the packed snow below that gave him poor footing. As he plodded over the white ground cover to the lodge he took care to breathe normally so as to avoid frosted lungs. Behind him the deep drone of the diesel and the two stroke sputter of the reefer, joined with the buzz of the revolving oil company sign to cut the perfect silence of a sub-arctic night.

In less than thirty seconds Max pushed open the lodge door and stepped inside, taking a deep breath of warm air. The aromatic heat of the wood stove blasted up his nostrils like nuclear fallout, and the little dinner bell rigged on the door ledge tinkled to announce his arrival. It was past one a.m. and there was no one in the coffee shop, although the lights blazed away and the fire burned steadily. It was like walking into the galley of a ghost ship, a Flying Dutchman doomed to pitch and toss with the waves forever, with sails trimmed; wheel and rudder expertly maneuvering the swells; ships bell ringing on time to end each watch; radar and sonar bleeping; flags waving, but no crew. Perfect except for that one eerie, ominous feature: the absence of man in a place suited to man alone.

Max Mueller brushed the loose snow from his sleeves and shoulders and stuffed the stiff pigskin gloves in the pockets of his jacket. He sauntered across the lino floor, his wet boots still rendering poor traction, and paused to toast his palms over the wood stove. For a few moments he studied the Christmas decorations around the room. Red paper streamers spreading like the spokes of a bicycle wheel from the middle of the ceiling. A big paper bell hung down from the centre of that wheel. There were sprigs of plastic holly and mistletoe here and there and plastic poinsettia arrangements on most of the tables. From the kitchen Max could hear the gurgle of the coffee urn and the static hiss of the citizen's band radio, but without a sign of humanity the familiar sounds and the gay decorations only gave the place an even spookier atmosphere. He walked into the kitchen and helped himself to a cup of the steaming brew. Max was busy stirring the concoction when Cleo finally shuffled in from the livingroom.

Cleo moved with feline grace, treading softly in her unlaced snowpacks and taking in everything around her as if it was the first time she had ever been there. She glanced at Max standing by the coffee urn as she made her way to a nearby table and slouched onto the corner of a bench. Max exchanged her polite smile of greeting as he slid onto the bench across the table from her, sipping the first scalding host drops of coffee from a thick cafeteria cup.

"Merry Christmas, Cleo," he said, "you waiting up for St. Nick?"

Cleo's face soured a little, as if it was possible for her to have a truly sour appearance, which it was not. "Ain't no St. Nick in these parts, least I ain't never seen his likes," she stated.

"You want me to put on a little red suit and stand out at the diesel pump ringing a tambourine?" asked Max with a grin. Cleo just stared at him blankly. He remembered when she had never seen a city, much less a city street at Christmas time. "They do that in the city," he explained. "The Santa Clauses dress up and stand outside department stores and beer joints collecting people's loose change."

Cleo thought that over for a moment and sighed. "Even the beggars got more class in the city," she observed. "Imagine that, dressing up like old St. Nick to go begging on the street. You wouldn't put me on wouldy'a, Max?"

"Well, it isn't exactly begging, Cleo. They do it to get money for charity: hospitals, church groups, orphanages and the like."

Cleo paused to consider the new information, then sighed again and shrugged her shoulders. "Sometimes I wisht I coulda gone to one of them St. Nick orphanages instead of this place," she mused. As she spoke she stared at the worn plastic checkered tablecloth with a sparkling glaze over her eyes. There was silence for a minute or so and Max squirmed uncomfortably. He had never seen Cleo in this sort of mood before.

"Has Stella got an apple pie baked?" enquired Max to break the silence.

"Sure she does," replied the young woman as she rose to the task of fetching pie, "Stella's always got pies cooked just in case somebody comes by. Even if the road weren't there no more, she'd still bake them pies. We eat lotsa pies this time of year."

Silence reigned again as she placed a slice of pie on a plate. She put the slice in front of Max Mueller and the rest of the pie in the middle of table along with a knife.

"You need gas?" she asked.

"Yes," replied the trucker, "just the left tank. It should be empty."

"Uh-huh," she retorted, "help yourself to more pie," and she shuffled off to the coatrack by the door, swaying her hips playfully.

The howling winds had shrunk to a light breeze by the time she ventured down the lodge steps to the snow covered lot. Huge snowflakes the size of nickels, dimes and quarters floated down under the spotlights to cling like icey dewdrops to her cheeks and eyelashes. Cleo pursed her lips into a short loud whistle and in a few moments the three malamutes came scrambling out from under the plastic walls of the lean-to, each hound taking its turn offering her canine greetings. She tossed snowballs into drifts as she walked and laughed as the dogs foughi in vain to locate and reclaim the worthless treasures.

While she pumped the diesel gas into the tractor's fuel drum the dogs sniffed around the circumference of the Lynden Transport truck, depositing their scent on each of the eight wheel groups. The youngest pup found a stick buried in the snow and a contest began to see which dog could grab and hold it the longest. Cleo watched them play as she held the pump nozzle steady in the drum. Whenever she chuckled at their antics one of them would bound up to her with the wood in its mouth, beckoning her to join in the fun. Their hot breath sent clouds of mist into the air and their playful growls and barks echoed around the lot. When the big tank was filled the malamutes saw her safely back to the lodge door before crawling back under the plastic curtain to the relative shelter of the lean-to.

Max was sipping his third cup of coffee and snacking on a second helping of pie when she came in from the pumps. Cleo stamped her snowpacks on the inside door mat to remove clinging snow and hung her parka back on the coat hook by the door, then walked over to join Max at the table. As he munched on the pie he leafed through an old copy of National Geographic magazine someone had left on the table. He was browsing through pictures of Tasmania, the Fiji Islands and Amsterdam.

"You never been none of them places, " she stated tauntingly as she sat down.

"Neither have you," replied Max without looking up from the pictures.

"How do you know where I been and where I ain't?" she continued. "You only known me four years. You don't know what I did fore that."

"I know you've never been outside Hatpin Creek, except when you were a little baby in Vancouver. You've never been to the outside in your life, Chalky told me that much years back." Max was not really trying to be nasty, but he did get a pathological satisfaction out of taunting her. Cleo looked amusingly seductive when whe was angry. Cleo peered at him with wide eyes, like a kitten about to pounce at a ball of wool. Max tittered to himself. Cleo stood up and walked to the cash register to punch in the sale. Now she moved clumsily instead of in the graceful catlike rhythm When she punched the till it jarred a few inches. You can never make them perfect, thought Max, as he shrugged off the paradox of femininity and returned to the National Geographic.

"That's what I hat about this place," stated she, " nobody can have a secret around here nohow. On the outside you can have all the secrets you want, but not in this dang place. That'll be thirty-two bucks even."

He handed her the company credit card he kept in his shirt pocket. "How do you know what happens on the outside when you've never been there?" he asked.

"I got somebody who tells me!" she snapped as she grabbed the card from his outstretched hand, "somebody who knows what from what just as much as you!"

Max looked up at her again with his face contorted in an inquisitive grin. "Yeah, and who might that be?" he asked.

"Ain't none of your business, Max Mueller," she said with her fist perched on her hip. "Ain't none of your business who I know and who I don't. It might be my beau. Might be the same fella who brings them magazines every month," she gestured to the National Georgraphic with a mischievious smirk.

Max's grin expanded into a snicker. "That'll be the young ore trucker from up at the asbestos mine, Teddy Rakovski."

Cleo just glared at him, looking him up and down like beef on the hoof. If looks could kill Max would have been canned dog meat. Teddy Rakovski had taken a shine to Cleo the first time they met, and since then he had even taken her to dances at the mine, but Cleo didn't love him. She liked him a lot but she didn't love him. She told him so too, but it didn't seem to daunt him. He kept coming by and always brought something for her like magazines, stuffed animals, candies or trinkets. She wrote out the credit card receipt in silence and slid back to the table seating herself next to Max.

"You're right and you know you are," she uttered in troubled strain. "It's like I said before, ain't nobody can have secrets round here...God, I wish I could have a secret such as nobody but me and one other would know. Just one secret." Silence fell over the lodge except for the gurgle of the coffee urn, the hiss of the c.b. radio and the crackle of the wood fire. She dipped her head in a hushed sorrow. Max Mueller didn't notice it at first and when he did he was at a loss to know exactly what to do about it.

"Hey girl," he said, placing a big calloused paw over her soft white hand, "it isn't worth all that misery, honest it isn't. There isn't a darn thing out there but a lot of jumped up folks who think they've really got something with their motorboats and hi-fi sets. You have more here, you really do. You get to live your life more like the way God intended. I know hundreds of folks on the outside who'd trade everything they've got to get what you have."

"You tell me that," she said with a tear gathering in her eye, "everybody's always telling me what they figure I oughta know. I'm sick of gettin' told all the time. I want to see for myself, Max." The tear trailed down her cheek and quivered on the puff of her upper lip. Her big brown eyes were wide open and shiny with gathering tears. She held her head high though, and looked him straight in the face with ungovernable defiance. Cleo was not ashamed to cry.

Max Mueller felt a knot forming in his stomach. He didn't know what to tell her, what to say or do to ease her grief. Instinctively he placed his arm around her shoulder and drew her to him, but it only seemed to make her cry harder. Then, as suddenly as they had come, Cleo forced back the tears and took an erect posture again.

"Max," she began as she dried her eyes with his table napkin, "would you do me a favor? It's just a little favor and if you do it for me I'll never forget it, Max. I'll pay you back someday, you'll see."

"If there is anything I can do I'll do it, you know that. What is it you need? I haven't got much but I can afford..."

"It ain't money, Max, I got all the money I need. I been savin' it in a pickled egg jar since I was fifteen. Got more than five hundred dollars in there."

"Then what is it?" he asked.

"I want you to take me out of here," she said. "It ain't two a.m. yet, you'll be in Teslin before daybreak and I can catch a dog outa there in the morning. Please, Max. Just a ride into Teslin, that's all I need."

Max Mueller was stunned at Cleo's request. All of its implications swam around his brain like a school of frightened fingerlings, leaving him speechless. She kept up her pleading but he didn't hear her as he struggled to work it out in his mind.

It isn't right, he thought, old Chalky should send her outside just once at least. She should see for herself, and meet some other people her age, maybe even find a boy and get married. Still, on the other hand, Cleo was Chalky's little girl. It was none of his business really. If he took her away Chalky would know who did it. In the morning he would radio the asbestos mine, the truck terminals and weigh scales to find out who was through during the night while he slept, and on a night like this there wouldn't be many. His name would stick out like a sore thumb. Besides, he couldn't just dump her in Teslin. He would have to take her all the way down to the coast, and what would the wife say when he arrived home in Aldergrove with a brown eyed beauty from the northland?

"Listen, Cleo," he said, "I agree you should go outside, and mighty soon too. When a person feels this strongly about something they ought to do it. If you like, I'll talk to Chalky about it on my back to Fairbanks next week, but I can't snatch you away just like that."

"Why not?" she insisted in genuine disbelief. "What difference is it to you when I go. You even admitted I oughta go."

"And so you should. I mean every word. But look girl, when you're outside a few months or maybe even a year, you'll want to come back up her more than anything else in the world. Believe me Cleo, I wouldn't lie to you about it. What would Chalky and Stella think if you just ran out like that? They might never take you back. You know how Chalky is. He puts plenty of stock in you. He and Stella never had a kid of their own and they mean to give you this place outright one day, they told me so."

She was crying again now, and staring at the tablecloth with motionless eyes. It was as though not Max but the tiny red and white checks in the table drape were talking to her. He watched her in silence for a long minute, draining the last tepid mouthful of coffee from his cup and picking at the crumbs on the pie plate. She didn't move or speak but simply stared at the tiny checks through teary eyes. Max Mueller quietly pulled his wallet from his hip pocket and slipped a twenty-dollar bill onto the table near her gaze.

"Put the change in your pickle jar, Cleo," he told her, "you're going to need every cent of that five hundred when you do get outside."

Cleo did not acknowledge him, unless closing one's eyes tightly for a moment could be called an answer. Max felt sad himself now. Never could stand to see a woman crying, he thought to himself, as he stood up and shoved the credit card and receipt in his shirt.

"You cheer up a little bit," he declared with a big hand resting softly on her shoulder. "It's Christmas Eve and darn near a whiteout on that highway. No sane man, woman or beast would be out in that stuff, just old dummies like me who know no better. I'll be back next week and you can tell old Chalky I want a private word with him. That's a promise girl...or better yet, you keep it under hat till I get back. It'll be your secret and mine just the way you want it. Even Chalky and Stella won't know until next week."

Still Cleo made not a sound. A slight nod of the head was her only reply. Max turned and walked to the lodge door, lingering there to zip up his airman's jacket and pull on the pigskin gloves. He glances up at the mistletoe hanging over the door, and had to smile to himself. Cleo was a beauty true enough. If there wasn't a wife and kid at home; if he were just a few years younger; if Chalky hadn't been such a close friend for four years, well, if all that weren't the case it might be a lot different that's all.

"Have a merry Christmas, and wish one for Chalky and Stella from me too," he said as he ducked out the door into the spotlight beam. The wind had now blown itself out and the big snowflakes fell directly to Earth like millions of tiny Christmas angels on a parachute drop. Mother Nature nipped his flesh affectionately with her icy fingers as he walked across the lot through the falling whiteness, under the buzzing sign, past the mechanic's lean-to that was never used, to the big old Kenworth still chugging away at the pump like an obedient iron horse waiting at a hitching rail for its rider.

The stacks belched dark grey smoke into the air as Max maneuvered the truck back to the roadway. He glanced at the lodge. She was standing on the steps in her thick woolly sweater and faded jeans with her arms folded tight against the cold. He hooked the oversized steering wheel in his elbow and grabbed the gearshift with both hands. In a minute or so he had the hammer down and the curtain of white was falling over his windshield.

Cleo stood on the stoop and watched until she could no longer see the red tail lights through the snow nor hear the suffering diesel fighting its gears. Then she glanced to the north and wondered if the young man from the mine might drop in tonight with another National Geographic. No, she thought, he won't come. Nobody else will come, not on Christmas Eve at Hatpin Creek. She darted back into the warmth of the lodge. Nothing ever happens on Christmas Eve at Hatpin Creek, she thought to herself.

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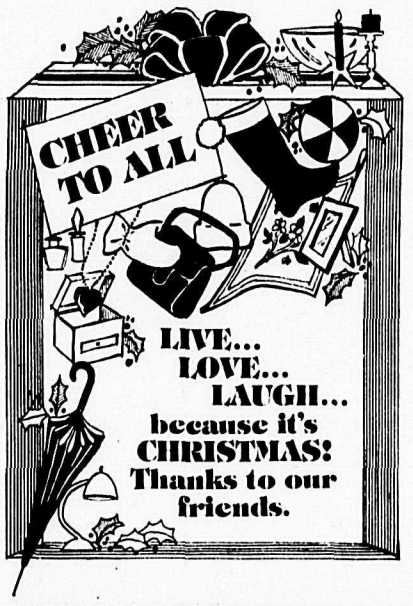

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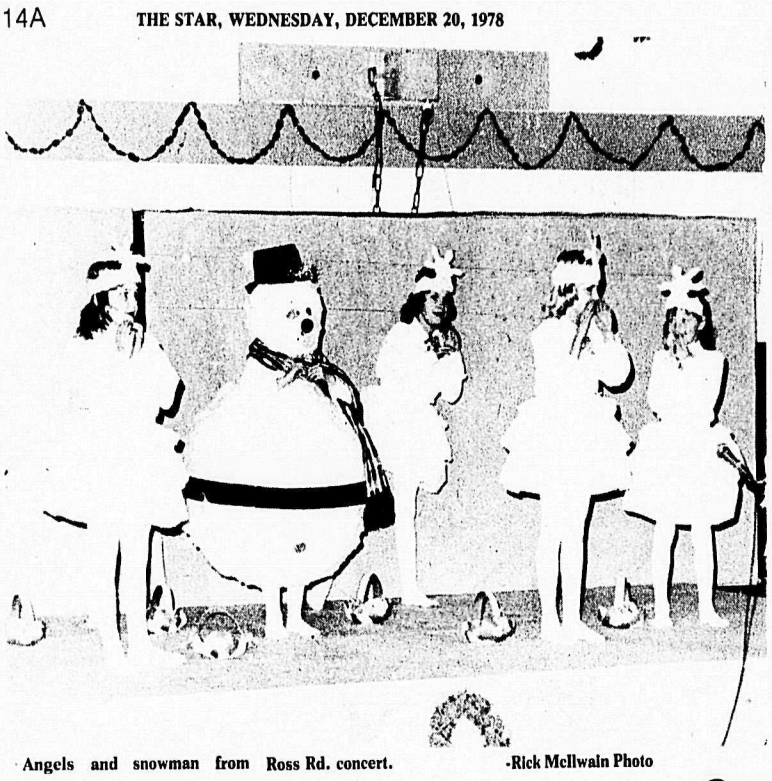

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From the Christmas fantasy world at Aldergrove elementary. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Mary and Joseph in Mt. Lehman's Christmas concert. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Do Canadian children deserve anything less?

By JULIE PETERSEN

Ricky is five years old and attending kindergarten. When the teacher reads her class a story, Ricky usually stares into space or plays with his shoes while the rest of the class sits quietly in rapt attention.

David is in high school. He's barely passing his courses and often forgets assignments or rushes through them in a haphazard way. Teachers are concerned about David because he seems to be capable of a much higher standard of work.

Jennifer is in grade five and getting good grades, but her mother is worried because she seems to be gradually losing interest in school.

What do all these children have in common? To understand this, we need more information on each child.

Ricky's parents realized he was not an ordinary child when they discovered that he had taught himself to read - at the age of 2½.

David has been in school long enough to have written a number of achievement and aptitude tests. On these tests, he consistently scores higher than 99 percent of the population. When a subject really interests him, he does outstanding work.

Jennifer is a model student. Her vocabulary, general knowledge and aptitudes are that of the average 14-year-old. She grasps concepts quickly and had a broad range of interests.

Ricky, David and Jennifer are real children. Yet, there are children with abilities even greater than theirs. They comprise part of a neglected minority known as the academically gifted. Research has shown that children of very high ability, when sufficiently motivated, can cover academic material in one half or one third the time of the average child. How many opportunities do they have to learn at their own pace or to develop thinking skills at higher conceptual levels?

Teachers are concerned about how best to educate these youngsters. Unfortunately, courses in teaching exceptional children are not general requirements of most education faculties and those courses available are few in number. They focus mainly on the needs of the handicapped.

The fact that gifted children are working well below their ability levels is beginning to be recognized. In the United States, this year is a milestone for gifted children. October signifies the birth of the 'Gifted and Talented Children's Education Act', and act which establishes separate funding for those children sho "...require services or activities not ordinarily provided by the school". The redefinition includes "...youths who are identified...as possessing demonstrated or potential abilities that give evidence of high performance capability in areas such as intellectual, specific academic, or leadership ability, or in the performing and visual arts ..."

Do Canadian children deserve anything less?

Sponsor a refugee

By JOHN VAN HEMERT

At Christmas time we can hardly imagine that someone should want to murder a newborn child. How barbaric, cruel and unthinkable. Jesus was under severe attack as soon as He was born. Not everyone was happy that He had come. Herod, king in the area of Bethlehem for Rome ordered a massive hunt to find and kill the child. He ordered a massacre of all boys two and under to make sure that there would be no politicla rival to his throne.

It was Jesus' first confrontation with a cruel, hostile and power-greedy world. The world which He came to bring much-needed love and salvation turned against Him with hate and destruction. Jesus became the very victim of the horror of man's evil and cruel heart. As a result He became, what many millions are today, a refugee. "...behold an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, 'arise and take the child and his mother and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy Him'."

Later Jesus said "The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." He was hated and haunted. He experienced man's deepest sin and worst conditions. And that is exactly why He came. He came to be one with mankind and take upon Himself the hate and sin to the altar of the cross outside of Jerusalem. There He was an outcast again. This time He did not flee to a safe place, but He gave His life voluntarily as a gift-payment for the great debt man made with all his transgressions. Therefore, He was called Jesus, ..."for it is He who will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21. All who will truly believe in Him will find total pardon and obtain a lasting peace with God.

Today there are countless refugees escaping the tortures and killings of modern Herods who have no respect for life and freedom. Where can these persecuted souls go? Where can they find love? Is it not through the people who have themselves found the love and the mercy of Christ? And are they not to be the people who are to reach out? Or is the answer in the statement of one man who said "Put a torpedo into the refugee ship and let them drown. "? The question really is: Are we going to accept them or are we going to reject them. It really depends on what one does with Christ. To accept Him is to do all possible to love.

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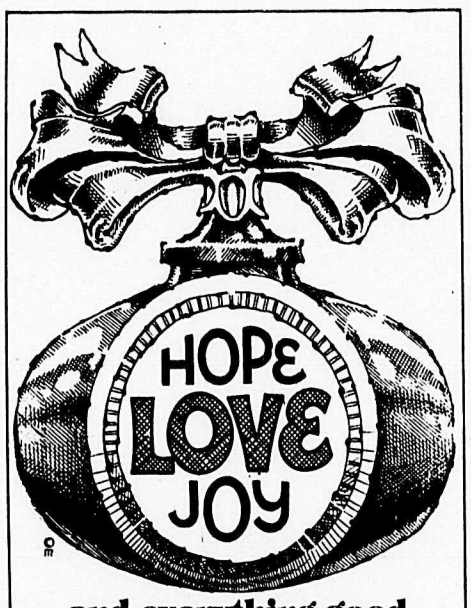

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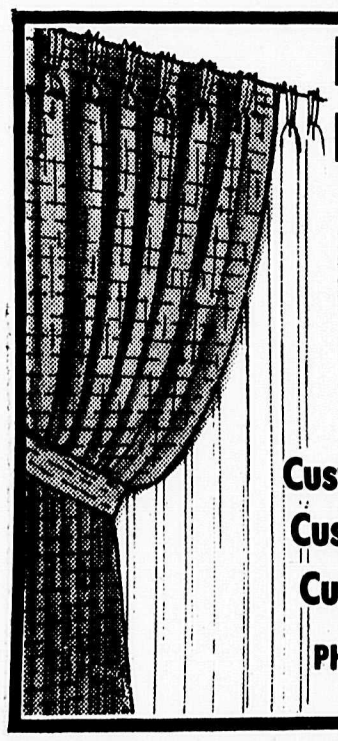

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King school Christmas concert with Mary, angels and the wise men. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Santa visited Ross school. -Rick McIlwain Photo

Langley Jersey 4-H Club awards banquet

ALDERGROVE - The Langley Jersey 4-H Club banquet was held on Dec. 9 at Patricia hall. Special guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barichello who were the club's previous leaders:Linda Turchyn, co-leader of the Otter Holstein club; Bernice Neff, club leader, and Suzanne Skaaning, and Diane Kristoff, club co-leaders. Altogether with parents and members there were about fifty people present. Club president Debbie Kristoff did an excellent job emceeing and sitting on either side of her at the head table were, Kim Skaaning, treasurer; Grant Souter, Secretary; Ann Souter, banquet co-ordinator. On to the awards presentations, badges were presented to Rudy Stromsten, Charles Middleton, Ricky Middleton, Wendy DeBruyn, Karen Souter. Senior Skills Certificates were awarded to Kim Skaaning, Darren Kristoff, Velma Chard.

Best Record Book was awarded to Anne Souter, donated by the Lower Mainland Jersey Breeders Assoc.

Most Improved new member trophy was presented to Charles Middleton, donated by the Langley Jersey 4-H Club.

Top Yearling trophy was won by Amy Chard.

Top Group of Three was won by Amy Chard.

The Top Calf at Achievement day was won by Wendy DeBruyn, trophy donated by Ralph and Mac Barichello.

The Top Showman on Achievement day was won by Debbie Kristoff. Trophy is donated by 5/10 cent store in Langley.

The Top Showman in our club, averaged out through the year was won by Ann Souter.

Junior Demonstrations, Royal Band trophy won by Karen Souter and Sarah Richardson of the Otter Lamb Club.

Royal Bank District Senior Public Speaking trophy was presented to Ann Souter.

Royal Bank Langley District senior Demonstrations was won by Anne Souter and Debbie Kristoff.

The Best Member award, which was chosen by the members in the club was won by Daraen Kristoff, donated by Ron and Bernice Neff, Whistling Wind Farms.

Grand Aggregate trophy. Member with the highest points was presented to Ann Souter. Donated by Ellen Hendrie.

Debbie Kristoff and Ann Souter put on a hilarious skit. The funniest part was when they portrayed themselves as two older ladies reminiscing about the good ol' days in 4-H. Mr. Barichello had a continuous smile on his face as they were relating to him as he was their leader for eight years. The girls are both 18 now. Linda Turchyn showed us slides on fitting a dairy animal, quite informative, especially for our new members. The evening wound up on a very happy note, we hope that we will have a successful year in 1979, with Bernice Neff as Club leader, John Chard as Project leader, Suzanne Skaaning as our Resources Material leader.

Peter DeBruyn will be helping us with halter making and general practicial information. Any members wishing to join our club please contact B. Neff 534-1002.

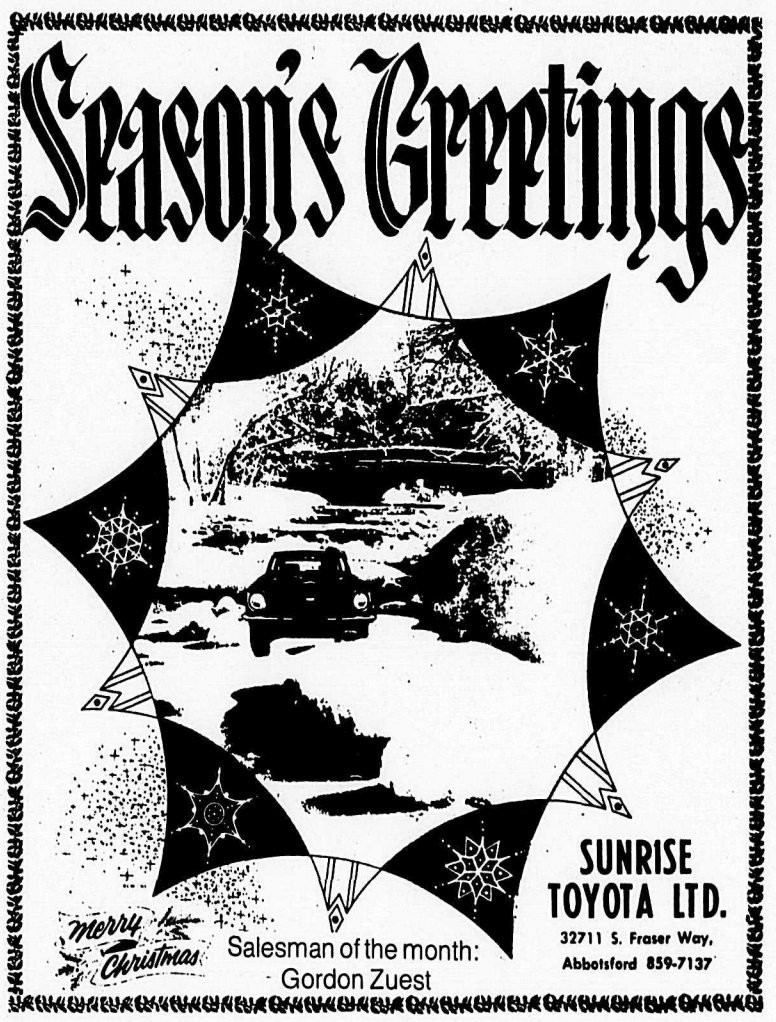
Bradner Presbyterian Church carol service

BRADNER - On Friday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m., Bradner Presbyterian Church will resound with the carols of Christmas. It is on this night that there will be a special Christmas service. There will be a number of different groups involved in the service. The choir will provide some of the music and the Sunday school has been very hard at work on their portion of the program.

As well as the groups, several individuals will be involved along with 'Herman the Chicken Hawk'.

There will also be an opportunity for congregational singing. This will be enjoyed by all members of the family, young and old. The congregation is inviting everyone in the community to come and join them for this special service.

The church is located on Bradner Road near Haverman, next to the elementary school. More information may be obtained by contacting the minister Pastor Bob Calder at 826-5328.



Life full of surprises for long-time Langley resident, and all good!

By JULIE VALENTI

LANGLEY - He lives in a 21 year old wood-heated house in Walnut Grove, alone, not even a dog or cat for company. The house sits on ten acres, 2½ of which have been sold, another 2½ which are presently for sale. He hasn't worked steadily since 1975 when he sold that portion of his property, but has lived off the monies from the sale. He's 61 now and some might think he's old, lonely, bored, just getting by financially in his shabby, wood-heated house. But Bernie Wren is not any of those things. He's one of the most energetic, enthusiastic and good-humored people you'll ever find.

Bernie left shool in the eight grade to help his father make cedar hydro and telephone poles. When he was 17, he went into the logging business for seven years. From 1941 - 46 he served in the army. Then it was back to logging, high rigging, on Vancouver Island until 1951. At 34 years of age he left logging to become a construction worker in Vancouver for two years. That led to a 22 year career as a master carpenter which he quit in 1975 to take up a hobby, painting. Life, however, has played some surprising tricks on Bernie lately, as his following story relates.

"It's the funniest thing. When I got that money from the sale of the land, ya see, the bug started running thru my mind that I'd like to try my hand at art. I was interested in painting. Now, the summer went by and in the fall I signed up for these art lessons, 20 lessons. Now, I took six lessons. But the thing is, it seemed I couldn't mix the colors at all and I just bogged down. So I decided to give it up. I came home and fully decided I'd fool around with carving."

To begin with, I'd just get a board and carve animals out. Well, it got so I was looking for more material and my thoughts got going back to my young life, working on the West Coast in the logging camps. So as a result of that, I developed these carvings of logging camp life. When I started carving, I had no idea of painting them. See, mixing colors threw me. But I got a lot of books on how to mix colors and thought I'd just put a little color on. Then, as I went along, I kept thinkin', well, I'll add a little color here, a little there to brighten it up. Then it got so they became fully painted. The paint brings them so much to life."

"It seems an incredible thing to me. I decided when I sold that land, well, I've worked hard physically from the very beginning. I decided I'd take a year off, I'm not gonna do enathin' with it. If I want money I'll go to the bank and get it. So I spent the whole year just livin' like a grand guy, see. I chiseled away in the afternoons just when I felt like it. Well, I took some things down to the Fort (Exhibition Centre) and everything I took down they were delighted with. I entered one thing in the P.N.E. and took a prize with it. I entered one in the Cloverdale fair and took a prize with it. So it come on to the fall of 1978 and I said to meself, maybe I'm gonna be good at this, so I'm gonna spend the whole fall and winter carving. I made 16 things. That next summer, 15 of those 16 things hung in the Surrey art gallery. Then out of 650, the Vancouver art gallery chose 60 artists to exhibit. I was one. Then the federal people wrote an article and chose four out of the 60 and I was still with the bunch."

In the spring of 1978, CBC spent five days at his home, filming him for a show on eight Canadian folk artists, tentatively scheduled to be shown in the spring of 1979.

"Well, they came. I was just astounded. Ya see, honestly, they spend thousands of dollars. To think a guy could just walk out of the bush and do a little painting and CBC would be that interested...I don't know, I'll let it all go by me and think about it later. Honestly, this astounds me."

"I've never been very clever financially - I'm the poorest guy in the world at makin' a buck., There's no use me thinkin' of goin' into business - I just haven't got it at all. But I have always been good with my hands. Oh, really, I never expected to amount to a hill of beans with it. My wildest hope was to paint a picture I could hang on my own wall. I can tell you very sincerely, I thought I'd just waste a year of my life - do some painting, some carving and after the year I'd go back to makin' a buck. After the year was out, well, now so many people are interested in me. I never thought a time would come in my life I wouldn't have to get out and make a buck. This is a break I never would have expected. I've never had so much attention. I don't see how I could quit when I'm still financially able to go on with it. So many people say to me "Why don't you sell your stuff?" Well, it would break my heart to sell the smallest one. Everyone tells me my latest work is my best so I don't see how I could quit now at this point."

"People say such lovely things about my work I have to tell them they don't have to worry about it going to my head 'cuz that's already happened. Yeh, I find it impossible to be modest about the thing 'cuz it just delights me so. I don't seem able to take it calmly. When I first saw my stuff hanging in a public building it quite excited me and I've never quite lost that. It always seems rewarding to me."

"I don't have a leg to stand on really. I'm not trained, I'm not schooled, I'm not nothin', I'm not even young. I just tried it and found I was good at it."

You can see Bernie's work at his next show, Jan. 10 thru Feb. 4, at the Surrey Art Gallery.

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Langley RCMP to conduct foot patrols

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Sec. 182 (1) Every motor-vehicle shall be equipped with a lock or other device to prevent the unauthorized use of the motor-vehicle.

(2) No driver shall permit a motor-vehicle to stand unattended or parked unless he has (a) locked the motor-vehicle or made it secure in such a manner as to prevent the unauthorized use of the motor-vehicle.

Help protect your community, Says a spokesman for the RCMP crime prevention unit. Work together with Langley's volunteer auxiliary members to help prevent auto thefts and thefts from autos. Lock cars and protect the keys.

Cloverdale raceway news

CLOVERDALE - On December 23 and December 30 Cloverdale Raceway has received permission from Agriculture Canada and the B.C. Racing Commission to hold 11 races, rather than the usual 10 race card. These two extra races will serve to make up for races that were cancelled due to a power outage in Cloverdale on Nov. 31. Parade to the post for these two days will be 1:15 p.m.

Special matinee race cards will be held on Boxing Day and New Year's Day, with parade to the post set for 1:25 p.m.

Driver standings up to and including Nov. 27 find Ed Stewart as the leading percentage driver (.465%), Keith Linton second (.446%;, and Clarence Gagnon third (.363%. The leading dash driver is Keith Linton with 39 wins, followed by Joe Hudon with 32 wins. Sten Ericsson presently holds down third place with 16 wins.

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SECOND SECTION

Ball is in the school board's court, says L.T.A. president

LANGLEY - Representatives of the Langley Teachers' Association met with the Langley school board last Thursday afternoon for the first time in more than a year.

Board chairman Brian Westwood and LTA president Terry Eastman co-chaired a two-hour session at the Newlands Golf Club which included the entire LTA executive along with trustees Marnie Roberston, Loren Maluorno, Dave Bell, Peter Fassbender, and newcomer Gordon Greenwood.

The meeting opened with statements from both Westwood and Eastman emphasizing the importance of cooperation -- Westwood, first, declaring that the trustees had but a single issue for discussion, the format of future talks, and then Eastman tabling the teachers' concerns over the 1979 school district budget and employee morale.

Reports indicate the session then turned into a frank discussion of the agenda items with comments from all the trustees and many of the teachers.

After the meeting, Eastman declared that the teachers were somewhat disappointed nothing concrete had been accomplished.

'The trustees did say, however, that they would think about our submission on next year's budget," he noted.

"They can look upon our briefing two ways -- in terms of spending priorities and in relation to overall spending levels. We hope they respect some of our views on priorities and make the necessary adjustments."

Eastman said very serious problems are developing in the staffing and 'teaching supplies' areas of the budget, citing sharp cutbacks slated for 1979 in the supplies section.

"The board did two things -- they cut the supplies money by 13.1 percent per child and now have much of the remainder held by the secretary-treasurer and the director of instruction."

"The trustees claim some schools need extra help and that district officials will use the withheld funds for these children. This doesn't make sense -- why hold onto the money, particularly from our 'have not' schools? Divide up the money now, we told them; they said they'd think about it. We hope they do."

Eastman put the teachers on record as favoring cooperation, but added that the trustees must follow through on the recent talks. "The teachers haven't forgotten," he claimed, "it was the trustees who broke off talks a year ago and while we have hopes for next year, we'll just have to wait and see."

"In blunt terms," he continued, "we're looking for something of substance from the trustees. The ball is definitely in their court."

Kinsmen raise money for A.R.C.

ALDERGROVE - The recent Aldergrove Kinsmen stag raised $390.13 for the Aldergrove Recreation Centre. To date $577 has been donated to ARC through the efforts of the Aldergrove Kinsmen.

"We would like to thank all those in attendance for their generosity," says a spokesman for the local Kinsmen. "Hopefully, everyone had a good time, good enough to return next year.

"Our compliments also to the Legion ladies for an excellent meal and our thanks to the Aldergrove Legion for the use of its facilities.

"We look forward to seeing you all next year."

Volunteer members of Aberdeen fire hall pose in front of the new double-bay hall during Saturday's opening ceremonies.

A second truck is on order and due for delivery soon.

Alderman Ray Kirkwood and chief Ross Honkawa officiated at the opening.

-Rick McIlwain photo

The old and the new, as Aberdeen dept. member models original firefighting equipment alonside newer pump truck, at the opening ceremony for the new hall.

-Rick McIlwain photo

Busy days ahead for hamper bureau

By MURIEL ARNASON

LANGLEY - Now is the time for all citizens of Langley to come to the aid of their low-income neighbors in the municipality. Volunteers will be needed to help wrap presents for the children, sort and help distribute used clothing and to prepare and distribute hampers in the community. The Langley Christmas Hamper Bureau invites anyone with any time to spare to come to the depot at the Evangelical Free Church, 20719 - 48 Avenue from Monday, December 18 to Saturday, December 23 when hampers will be prepared. Anyone who can deliver a hamper during the day will be most welcome. The depot will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Volunteers are needed to pick up donated canned goods from local schools on December 15 and to supervise and pick up donations from the Langley Twin Theatre, the Langley Ice Skating Centre and The Aldergrove arena. For more information phone 530-7101. Donations of money and canned goods will be welcome and toys are urgently needed. Volunteers at Langley Community Services will be glad to hear from you.

Aldergrove town needs theme

ALDERGROVE - "It is important for Aldergrove to get more respect for itself, to promote itself," local chamber of commerce president Alan Major told a well-attended meeting Wednesday night.

Major said the February meeting of the Aldergrove and district chamber of commerce would be devoted to input from members and visitors visualizing what could be done to promote a town theme for Aldergrove.

As it is now, Major said, there is very little traffic stopping on its way through this rapidly growing lower mainland centre. "It is just another small town along the way."

Major said the commercial sector of the town would have to compete against centres such as Seven Oaks, and that the idea that Aldergrove would just fade away when a big new shopping centre is built in Langley was "a totally abominable attitude."

"This town seems to have a bit of a negative outlook at this time," he said.

Major said the theme for the town could be patterned on examples in the United States such as Leavenworth in Washington or Solvang in California. Leavenworth, located high in the Cascade Mountains, has been transformed into a bavarian-type village, while Solvang in sunny California is an old Danish settlement.

But whatever Aldergrove decided on doing, it had to be done well, Major stressed. It would be of no value to make a half-hearted attempt like Cloverdale which has adopted a "pseudo-western theme." "It has to be well done if it is to succeed," he said.

"Something has to be done. Right now this whole town is pretty glum."

Director Don McTavish was appointed to a committee to prepare suggestions. He said he would like to write the communities mentioned by Major as well as others, to learn how to approach the challenge in practice.

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A 2nd Otter Brownie pins Christmas gift on patient at Cedar Hill during their carolling day last Thursday. -Rick McIlwain photo

GARDENING IN THE VALLEY
Don Anson

Not many gardeners do much work in the garden during December and January yet there is much that can be done. Usually it is a matter of cleaning up in the greenhouse and garden shed, sharpening tools and planning for the coming season.

Let's talk about what can be done outside.

Many bulbs are beginning to show now. If your soil is good, you will get better blooms if you dust the soil around visible bulbs with one ounce of superphosphate per square yard. If the soil is not frozen, it helps to loosen the soil with a hoe before dusting.

If you have trouble with birds picking off the blooms, particularly with crocuses, stretch some black thread on small sticks around the bulbs.

Whenever the soil is workable, this is a good time to lift and divide edging plants. Those rock plants that have woolly or downy leaves should have some protection from heavy winter rains. Sheets of glass are ideal for this job.

Those of you who can have bonfires should aim at destroying all garden rubbish. Thousands of garden pests are destroyed in every bonfire. A clean garden will not suffer from pests nearly as much as one full of debris and weeds. Save the bonfire ashes for they are a valuable source of potash.

Many hardy annuals can be sown now in a sheltered spot. Not only will you get earlier flowers but the plants will be stronger and healthier. Among popular annuals that should be sown now are Shirley poppies, Virginia stock and cornflowers.

In the orchard, it is time now to do winter pruning and winter-spraying with a tar-oil wash. Sticky bands can be placed on the trunks of fruit trees. These will trap quite a number of crawly-crawlies. Personally, I like to see fruit trees with the lower portion of their trunks limewashed. Although it is doubtful whether this harm many pests. I think the garden looks neater for it.

There is not much to do in the vegetable garden except to add all the humus you can. Every time you turn the soil over, you are exposing many pests. These will either be eaten by birds or killed by the cold. Keep any liming until spring. Our heavy rains will leach away any dressings of lime or fertilizer given now.

Rhubarb can be lifted and divided now. If you want an early supply, rhubarb is the easiest thing to force. Just cover the plant with an old crock or box and fill it with semi-rotted manure.

Young shrubs, particularly evergreens, are very vulnerable in the winter to sun scald and lack of moisture at the roots during cold weather. This can lead to browning of needles and lower leaves. Remedy for this is to give a really good mulch around the plants after a heavy rainfall. When the plants are acid lovers, such as rhododendrons and azaleas, the mulch should be of peat moss, otherwise it can be any organic matter.

Seed catalogues are now out. Nowadays they not only list every available type of seed but contain a wealth of good gardening information. I advise everyone to buy seed from a reputable seed house if possible. There is so much more selection than that that is obtainable from a supermarket. Many of the new hybrid seeds are not available in sufficient quantities to be placed on the general market. Hybrid plants are invariably better plants as they have been carefully selected by the seed growers.

Don't go overboard with that winter pruning. Remember that more mistakes are made in pruning by the inexperienced than in any other aspect of gardening. If you are in doubt about whether or not to cut -- don't. Seek some advice. However, you can be quite safe by removing anything that is dead, diseased or crowded.

If any reader would like any article on a specific subject in the future, I will pleased to do so and, at this time, I would like to thank all those who have written to me this year with valuable information. I would also like to thank those who have phoned or sent cards at this festive season and I wish all readers success next year in this, the greatest of all hobbies.

The author will endeavor to answer any questions on the subject of outdoor gardening. Please enclose a stamped, self addressed envelope to: "Gardens", c/o The Star, Box 220, Aldergrove, V0X 1A0. All letters will be answered personally, but some may be answered in this column.

A proofreader

Proof-reader, n. A malefactor who atones for making your writing nonsense by permitting the compositor to make it unintelligible.

The Devil's Dictionary

B.C. NDP convention to be held

VANCOUVER - The main focus of the next B.C. NDP convention will be a discussion of economic development policies.

The decision to highlight economic development stems from the continuing failure of the Bennett government to present viable options for the future, says Corliss Miller, chairperson of the B.C. NDP policy committee.

"Under Social Credit, the province is suffering from high unemployment, high prices, a doubling of small business bankruptcies, and ever-escalating taxes," says Miller.

She adds that the B.C. NDP's economic development committee, after 18 months of study, is now putting the final touches on a comprehensive discussion paper which will be widely circulated prior to the convention.

"With the immense human and natural resources of B.C., it's ridiculous that our economy should be doing so poorly.

"We think we have some ideas that will not only improve the province's economic performance in the short term, but also stabilize the economy -- smooth out the booms and busts -- in the long term."

The 1979 B.C. NDP convention will be held Aug. 31 to Sept. 2 at the Hotel Vancouver. In addition to economic development, delegates will discuss northern affairs, recreation and conservation, and violence against women.

Smoke detector installation important to protect family

To provide maximum protection, fire and smoke detectors must be installed in the right locations in your home, says a major manufacturer of the safety devices.

For basic protection, a smoke detector should be placed between each sleeping area and the rest of the house. This might be at the head of the stairway leading to bedrooms in a two-story house, or in a hallway of a ranch house, apartment or mobile home.

A multi-level home should be equipped with a smoke detector on each additional level - including the basement - for the minimum of recommended protection.

The best fire-safety measure is to add detectors to living and family rooms, as well as workshops, utility and furnace rooms. As a final safety measure, put one in every smoker's bedroom.

When the cover is snapped on the detector is set to give you an 85-decibel warning of the earliest stages of a fire.

OAPO NEWS

We all become a little older and poorer

By ernest cluett

ALDERGROVE - There is not much to report as the year winds down and we all become a little older.

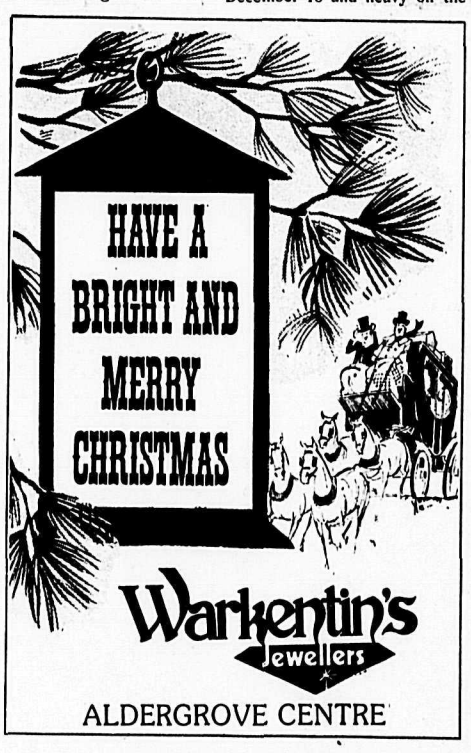
A talent or amateur hour for the members that do not patronize the dances is in the cards for January. The OAPO branch 71 executive will meet on Monday, December 18 and heavy on the agenda is the staggering jump in taxes from $280.00 in 1977 to $1,080.00 in 1978 to $2,000.00 plus estimate in 1979.

The Xmas dinner reported in the last issue omitted the thanks due to the ladies who worked so hard to make it a success. Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Lockhard, Mrs. Agar and Mrs. McClellend. My apologies to these ladies.

The dance attendance was up again and it is to be hoped to keep the attendance at this level. Door prize winner was Walley Cinnamon and the spot prizes were won by Andy and Gwen Keay.

A happy Xmas and a healthy and happy 1979 to all members and friends.

Don't forget to renew your membership in the New Year.



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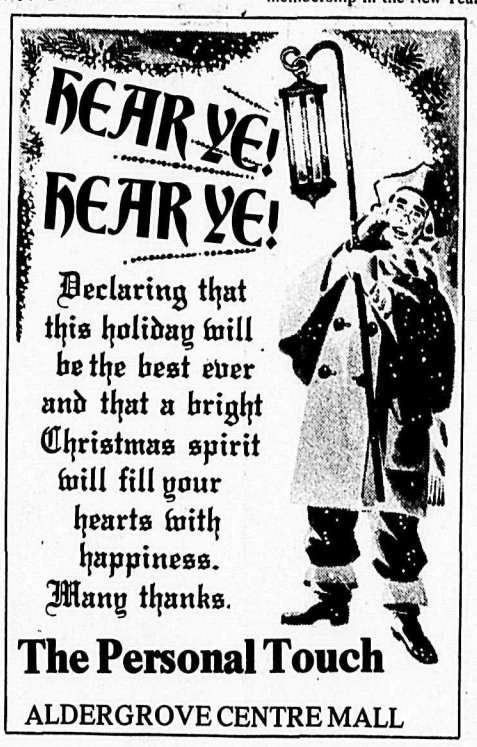

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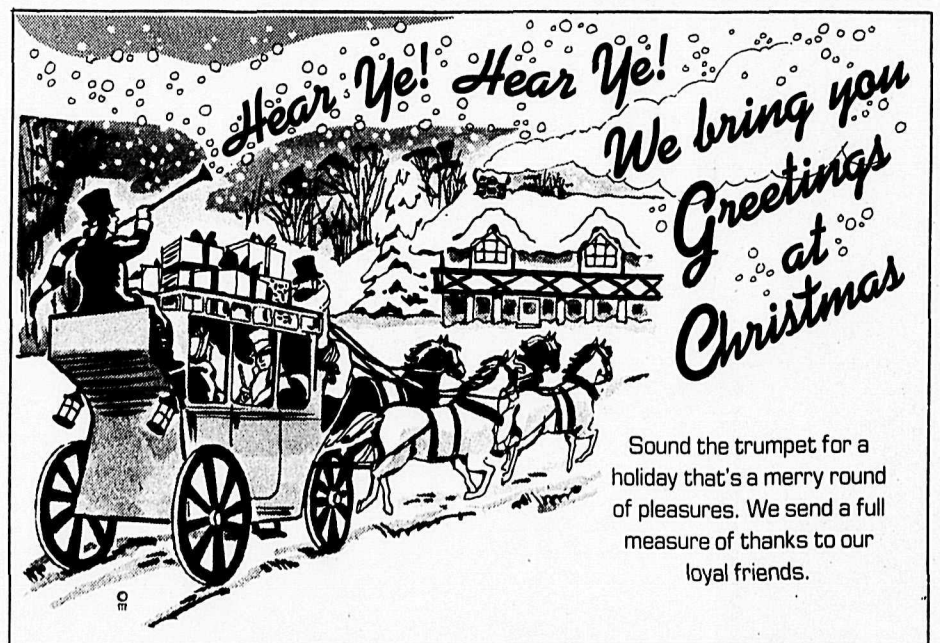

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The 2nd Otter Brownies serenaded Cedar Hill patients last Thursday with Christmas carols. Later they presented handmade gifts to the patients.

-Rick McIlwain photo

FROM THE BACK PORCH
Bill Clark

Well, sir, like I wus sayin' a while back, the Back Porch folks spent Christmas at Hardhat Johnson's place up in the Chilcotin. Pet Svensen an Jake Menzl wus there an Missus MacTaggart cum up from the Lazy an it wus rele peaceful, jest settin' in front of Hardhat's fireplace an sorta talkin' her over.

Hardhat had brung in a buckit of cedar an balsam boughs an we wud throw 'em on the fire onct in a wile an watch the blue flames spurt like little candles an the cabin shur smelled purty.

We talked about Christmusses wich had cum an gone an then Missus MacTaggart ses I shud put her all down in a littel story, jest so folks cud join us.

So here's wot I writ down fer BILL CLARK'S CHRISTMAS:

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It's knowin' that the next tick of the clock will mean I've seen sixty of 'em come an go. This makes me sad fer friends that ain't here fer this one an thankful that my batting average has give me sixty out of dang near two thousand, which ain't too bad.

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It's knowin' my wife put her hands on the keys of the organ in our front parlor on Christmas Eve and played "How Great Thou Art" fer me...even though her fingers wus swollen up with arthriticks an hurtin' like hell.

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It's knowin' I drive her nuts ev'ry Christmas by sayin' I have everything I need...and knowin' she understands.

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It's knowin' I'm proud to be an Agnostic, becus most folks settle down half way up the hill, sniffin' the flowers Someone else planted fer them and lookin' at the scenery He gave them...while an Agnostic ain't satisfied until he gets to the top of the hill, jest to see wot's on t'uther side.

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It's the sadness of knowin' that a church in this littel town wus fussed up about not havin' enuf silver platters fer collecting the loot at the Christmas service... and that a Feller I know wud have showed them the answer sorta quick like. He wus a carpenter an He wud have whacked them out of wood, jest so folks cud have polished them up with their hands.

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It's feelin' sorta guilty becus I never seem to get arount to lissenin' to the Queen's Christmas talk...an the confidence of knowin' things is in purty good hands, despite the yo-yo's in Parliment who want to drop her an cut our ties with the Mother of Parliments. F'rinstance:

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It's knowin' that in a small village in Caithness the old folks formed a club an asked the nice lady who lived in the Castle of Mey to come and talk to them, becus she wus a pensioner herself. And so she did and they gave her a membership card and they were sad that some of the old-timer's were deaf and cud'nt hear her. So she put down her handbag and talked to them in sign language...which she learned years before, jest so she cud talk to everyone. And this gives me both sadness and warmth, in knowin' that the Queen Mother cud do sumthin' none of our members of Parliment can do!

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It's the loneliness of not gettin' a Christmas card frum any of the folks who read the Back Porch... and the realization that I got the biggest Christmas card of all: the joy of bringin' laughter an tears to more than two hundred thousand folks.

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So Missus MacTaggart read it over an so did Pete an Hardhat an Jake. They all said it wus purty good. Then we went out on the porch an watched the Northern Lights an the stars hangin' crisp an clear in the Chilcotin sky. Hardhat asts which one it wus?... an Missus MacTaggart ses it don't really matter, becus any star will sparkle wen you look at it thru tears. Then we said sum words into the quiet and Holy Night an went to sleep, sorta peaceful like.

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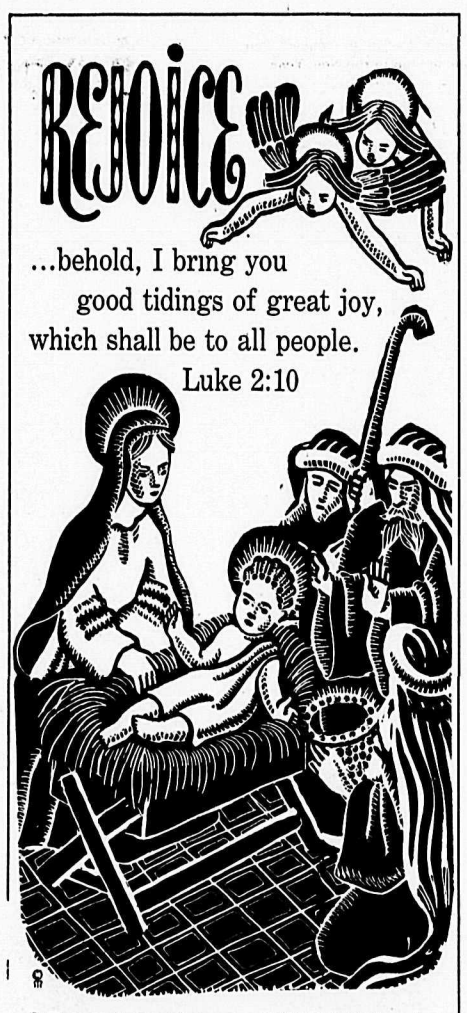

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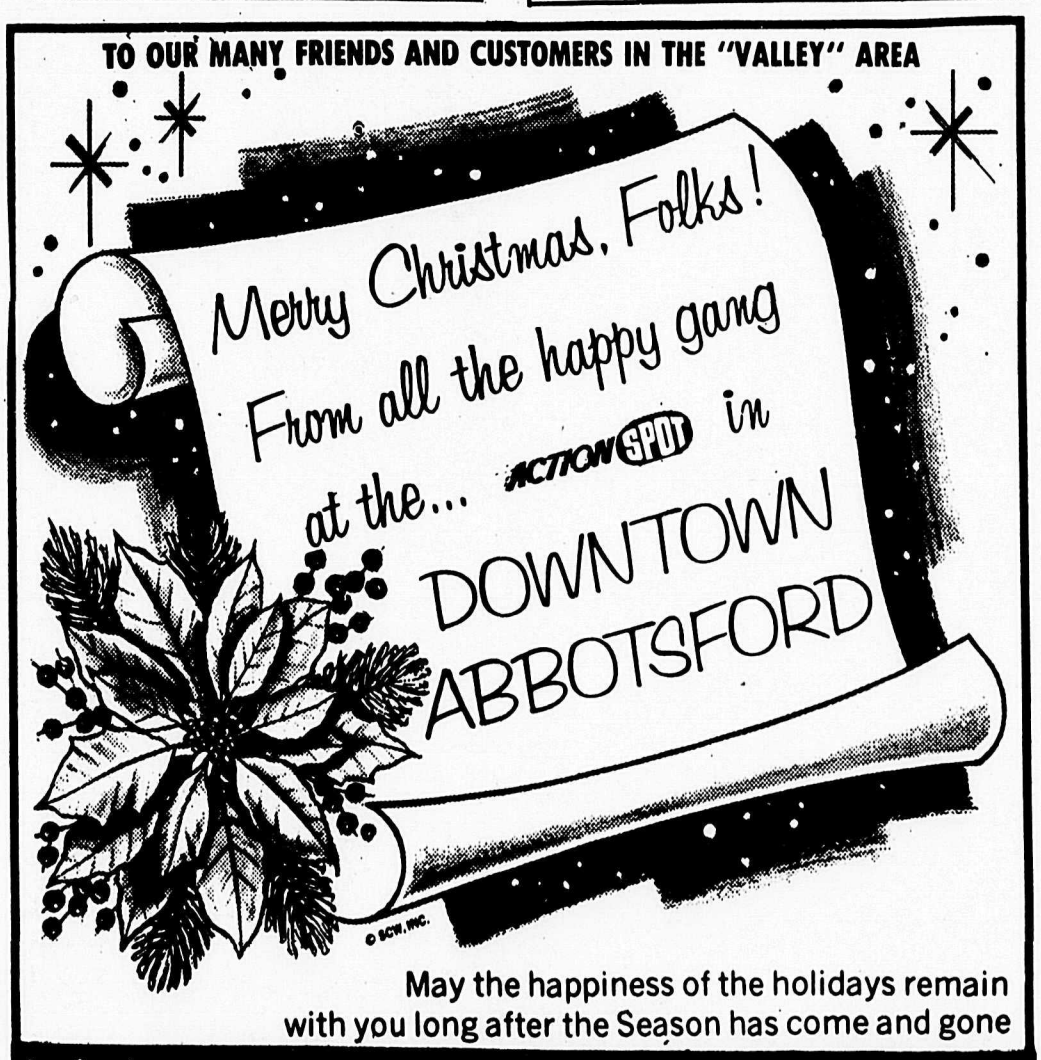

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IMPAIRED DRIVING

Guilty or not guilty

By GORDON HARDY

In B.C.'s recently announced "war" on drinking drivers, 14 mobile breathalizer units have been deployed throughout the province. Attorney-general Garde Gardom has warned drinking drivers that the breathalizer vans will appear "any time, any place between Tofino and Fort St. John."

And if there's any doubt that the mobile breathalizers will make drinking drivers think twice about turning the ignition key, there's no doubt all that the breathalizer machine gives police undisputable evidence with which to nail them in court, once apprehended.

The machine, invented by an American state patrolman in 1954, was first used in Great Britain where it initially got great results in discouraging drinking drivers.

Quite simply, all the breathalizer does is gauge the amount of alcohol in the blood-stream by analyzing the air contained in the lower lungs. It is virtually foolproof if operated properly. In fact, practically the only defence against its findings is to argue that it wasn't operated properly.

According to federal law, a driver is guilty of a serious criminal offence if a breathalizer machine shows that he has been driving with more than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood or, simply, more than a .08 reading. Unlike the impaired driving charge where the driver is guilty if his ability is impaired, this charge sticks whether the driver can prove his ability is unimpaired or not.

The blood-alcohol count remains the same whether a person knows how to hold his liquor or not. Vancouver lawyer Ace Henderson comments "The people who stand up and boast about their fantastic ability to withstand alcohol are just the kind of people who get caught on this offence. Even if you could prove that your ability was 100 percent, you'd still be guilty if you had a count of more than .08."

In drinkers' terms, the blood-alcohol count surpasses the .08 mark after miserably few drinks. According to a chart prepared by the Alberta government to help people figure out when their cut-off time is, a person weighing 200 pounds reaches the danger point of .09 after consuming seven ounces of liquor or four bottles of beer in an hour. People weighing less should consume less, particularly women who have less body water than men to dilute the alcohol.

Caroline Kirkwood, a breathalizer expert who works with the Vancouver Police, warns that "most people don't realize that alcohol affects them at a much lower blood-alcohol count than they think." He also points out that the blood-alcohol count reaches its peak one full hour after the last consumption of alcohol so even an apparently sensible tapering off on the part of a drinker will not necessarily save him from the fateful over .08 reading.

A full stomach, while slowing down absorption of alcohol in the blood-stream, does not stop the blood-alcohol count from going its course. Nor do breath-mints, mouth washes or fresh air fool the machine. In fact, police officers sometimes are tipped off to drunken driving by drivers who leave their car windows open on cold winter nights in order to disperse the tell-tale odor of liquor.

When the police suspect impairment, the driver is taken to the police station and made to blow twice into the breathalizer. Since the police allow a one percent error rate, the driver is accused if he reaches the .10 mark. Should the two blows come up with different results, the lower one is taken to be the correct reading.

If there has been an accident, the police are likely to lay a charge of impairment even if the blood-alcohol count is less than .10.

According to lawyer Henderson, the police and prosecution "cover all the bases" by bringing both impaired driving charges as well as driving over .08 against drinking drivers. "This way" he says "if you prove to the judge that your driving wasn't impaired he may still say you were guilty of driving over .08. Likewise, if you argue that, based on what you drank and what you weigh, mathematical calculations prove that you were less than .08, the judge might say that you were still impaired."

The hard penalties for impaired driving also apply to the charge of driving over .08.

And with such an effective method of getting the goods on drinking drivers, the authorities make the suspected driver an invitation he can't refuse - a driver who declines to take the breathalizer is guilty of failure to take the breathalizer test and subject to all the penalties of impaired driving.

In B.C., the police have to have reasonable grounds to believe that the driver is impaired before asking him to submit to the breathalizer test. Critics claim that the reasonable grounds clause undermines the effectiveness of the police. They point out that in Great Britain the police can administer the breathalizer test whether they have grounds or not and they usually do so when there has been an accident.

The driver can only legally refuse to take the test if he has reasonable grounds. He might legitimately refuse, say, if the plastic mouthpiece of the machine were dirty. Or if there had been an accident and he had been drinking after the accident to calm his nerves while waiting for the police.

A driver has a right to telephone a lawyer, and only a lawyer, before taking the test but within reason. Says lawyer Henderson "You have a right to the opportunity to contact a lawyer but if you don't succeed at four in the morning after a few attempts, you still have to take the test."

But if the police fail to give the driver a chance to telephone a lawyer when the driver has requested it, he is entitled to refuse to take the test and the court will dismiss the charge. The police must follow proper procedure to get convictions.

Next: Is there any defence against impaired driving charges?

As it happens in the United Church

Last Sunday was a day when many people took an active part in the services at our two local churches. The Advent ceremonies at Mount Lehman were performed by Milford and Audrey Johanson and their children Cindy, Sheri and Bradley and at Aldergrove by Barbara Butcher, daughter Susan and son David.

The morning service at Aldergrove was a choral service, and it was enjoyed by a congregation which filled the church. The programme was arranged by our choir director, Sybil Borgal. She produced an excellent blend of songs which were fitting for a service of worship.

The choir and Jubilation Singers sang a variety of songs on the Christmas theme, and there were solos by Bill Franklyn, Linda MacDonald and Gillian Delange. "Do you hear what I hear?" was sung by the ladies of two church families. Phylis Hamberg and her daughters Linda and Karla joined Leila Simms and daughters Carol and Dana. Phylis and Leila are sisters and members of the choir.

The Sunday Schools at the two United Churches held their Christmas concerts last Sunday. Mount Lehman's was in the afternoon and Aldergrove's was in the evening.

When arranging activities such as concerts, the Sunday School teachers always try to use as little as possible of the valuable lesson time for rehearsals. Sometimes the performances lack the professional touch, but the object is for parents to see their children taking part and that is always achieved.

This column usually includes a report of the weekly sermon. There wasn't a sermon last Sunday because of the choral service, so I would like to offer a few lines of my own.

I wonder if any readers agree with a friend of mine called Ian. I regret to say that Ian is dead now, but he held the belief that there is no God and that Christianity is a waste of time. There are many people who think that way. They have on their side plenty of arguments and cold logic, encouraged, of course, by Satan. Ian saw people who were always regular church-goers and he saw very worldly people who suddenly changed and became enthusiastic about Jesus. At the time that I knew Ian I belonged to both of those categories. He just shook his head and hoped that I would grow out of it.

When a person becomes a Christian there is bound to be a change. Ian couldn't understand that. It says in the bible that there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents (Luke 15:10). No matter how high the person's standards of morality, Jesus makes him realize that he falls far short of the glory of God. Jesus forgives, and the person changes. Not everyone stays changed, because some slide back into their old ways. That is very sad and it delights Satan and puzzles people like my friend Ian.

I'd like to report that Ian became a Christian before his fatal accident, but I lost touch with him and as far as I know he died an unbeliever. He was a very clever man who went on to get first class honours in mechanical engineering, but that's no use to him now.

Sometimes I think that the Christian message is so obvious that all who hear it must surely come to know the joy of the Lord. At other times, though I think of Ian, and others like him, who start with everything and finish with nothing because they are not willing to take the risk of being changed.

If you have read this far and share Ian's point of view I recommend you get a bible and read John 15:1-17. Those are the words of Jesus, who died that wew may live. Be very careful about rejecting them.

Fireside boys and girls in from the storm

ALDERGROVE - Eighty-two Fireside boys and girls and their friends enjoyed a musical program of songs and object lessons on Friday evening at the Aldergrove Gospel Chapel.

Herb Wall and a group of Fireside singers presented some carols; and accordionist Bruce Hope and youth chorus were also warmly applauded by the audience. Phil Hope showed pictures.

Despite the inclement weather, the enthusiastic group turned out in full force for the weekly program.

There are 113 boys and girls participating in the weekly Fireside children's club, meeting from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. every Friday evening - rain, snow or shine, at the Aldergrove Gospel Chapel, located one-third of a mile west of Aldergrove secondary school.

Fireside is the name of the children's club in Aldergrove; and the Friday evening activities are open to all children in the area with no admission charge. It is non-denominational; and it is one of the largest clubs of its kind in the Fraser Valley.

There is a summer camping program as well, conducted by camp chaplain Mun Hope.

Film fallies will continue during the Winter with a series of motion pictures at 7:30 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays at the Aldergrove chapel, based on the theme of New Life and Love. Admission is free.

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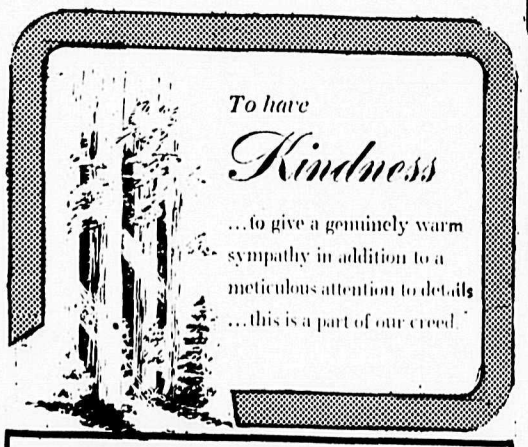

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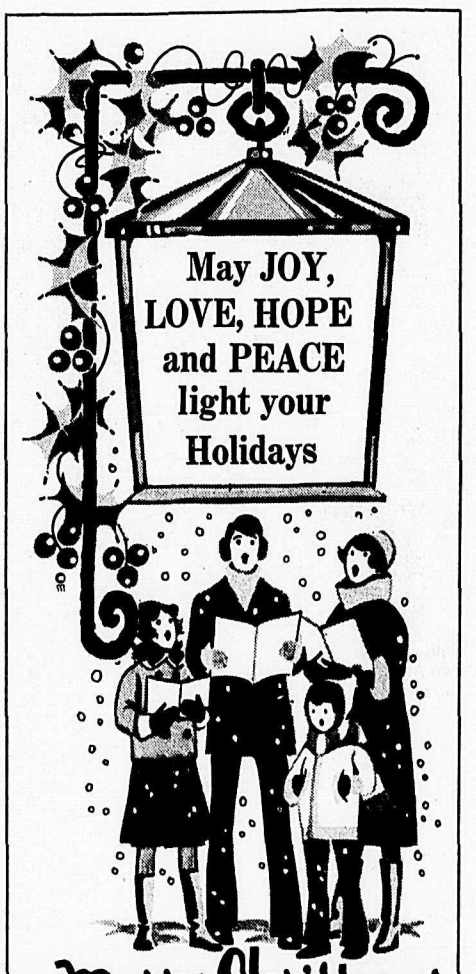

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The Langley Municipal Offices will be closed:

Christmas Day - December 25, 1978

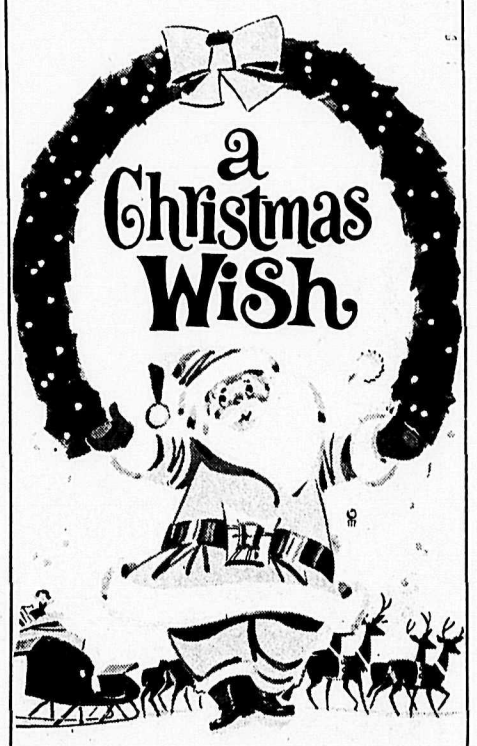
Boxing Day - December 26, 1978

New Year's Day-January 1, 1979.

No Regular or Committee Meetings of Council will be held during those two weeks.

Two Meetings will be held on January 8, 1979 - Committee Meeting at 9:00 A.M.

Regular Council Meeting at 2:00 P.M.



Nothing fancy or very new, Just thanks and Merry Christmas From us to you!

STEDMANS

ALDERGROVE CENTRE MALL

Todd Castonguay and Shawn Allen of Patricia elementary school won fourth place in the chess tournament at Langley secondary last week. Dr. Divinski, a UBC professor and chess master, played 25 students simultaneously at the tourney. -Rick McIlwain photo

Golden Age bowling

Dec. 13, 1978

Ladies Scores

Kirsten Madsen	228 - 652
Wanda Rinke	299 - 628
Helen Hoock	214 - 537
Emily Brown	229 - 531
Gibby Lee	198 - 528
June Barker	211 - 504
Dorothy Jackson	191 - 501
Liz Dreger	172 - 490
Mary Remple	175 - 460
Anne White	150 - 425

Mens Scores

Bill Ferguson	301 - 777
Sid Jude	253 - 679-
Bill Burden	292 - 677
Harry Gibbon	253 - 661
Helmer Christensen	262 - 626
Lyle Cairns	209 - 602
Jim Boyce	244 - 602
Case Wynaarden	253 - 591
Roy Huizurge	193 - 547
Fred Dreger	221 - 520
Ernie Goodison	213 - 509
Ed Weiss	190 - 498
Ted Hansen	173 - 495
Dave Martin	182 - 472
Chris Madsen	170 - 466
John Newton	168 - 465

FROM THE KITCHENS OF MCCAIN

International holiday treats

The Christmas and year-end holidays mean many different things to people in different lands around the world, but families everywhere look forward to those special treats associated with the season.

An international survey of some traditional favorites will provide an idea or two to help make this Christmas a very special one for your family.

Cherry Surprise (Denmark)
½ cup soft butter
1¼ cup icing sugar
1½ cup flour (sifted)
pinch of salt
2 tsp. vanilla
24 maraschino cherries
1/3 cup thick whipping cream

Mix butter and ¼ cup icing sugar to a creamy consistency. Add flour, salt and 1 tsp. vanilla, mixing well. Form dough around one cherry at a time, making small balls. Place balls on ungreased cookie sheets and bake 12 to 15 minutes in an oven preheated to 350 degrees F. *Allow to thoroughly cool. Dip in* mixture of remaining sugar, vanilla and heavy cream. Refrigerate before serving.
Makes 24 balls.

Sour Cream Twists (Germany)
1 tsp. salt
4½ cups pastry flour
1 cup shortening
1 pkg. dry yeast
¼ cup water (warm)
1 cup thick sour cream
1 whole egg and 2 egg yolks (well beaten)
1 tsp. vanilla
1½ cup sugar

Mix salt and flour, and cut in shortening. Dissolve yeast in water; stir yeast into flour with sour cream, eggs and vanilla. Mix well. Cover with damp cloth and refrigerate 2 hours. Roll half of dough on sugared board into an 8" x 16" oblong. Fold ends to center with ends overlapping. Sprinkle with sugar and roll again to the same size; repeat the third time. Roll ¼ inch thick and cut into 1 inch by 4 inch strips. Twist *ends in opposite directions,* stretching dough slightly. Form in the shape of a horseshoe on a ungreased baking sheet. Repeat with remainder of dough. Bake at 375 degrees F. for 15 minutes. Remove from baking sheet immediately.
Makes 48 twists.

Almond Tarts (Sweden)
2 1/8 cup granulated sugar
1 cup butter
1 egg (beaten)
3½ cup flour
1 tsp. vanilla
4 eggs
1 cup almonds (chopped fine)
2 drops almond extract

Blend butter and 1 cup sugar thoroughly. Add beaten egg, flour and vanilla. Chill 2 or 3 hours. Press into muffin tins. Combine remaining sugar with 4 eggs, almonds and flavoring; fill muffin cups. Bake at 375 degrees F. for 20-25 minutes or until brown on top.
Makes 18 large or 24 small tarts.

Alder Lanes bowling scores

ALDERGROVE ALLSTAR MENS LEAGUE
Dec. 7/78

10 points and $32.00 went to Beavers. 9 points and $24.00 went to I.D.G.A.S. 8 points and $16.00 went to Royals.

Up & Atom lead with 104 points. Beavers are second with 102 points. Jaws are third with 92 points.

$4.00 high singles went to Larry Lewthwaite 346, Ralph Chick & Richard Wristen 329, Stew Patterson 318, Jim Petrie 299.

$4.00 pins over went to Mark Breier +82, Richard Wristen +109, Stew Patterson +100, Tom Miller +94.

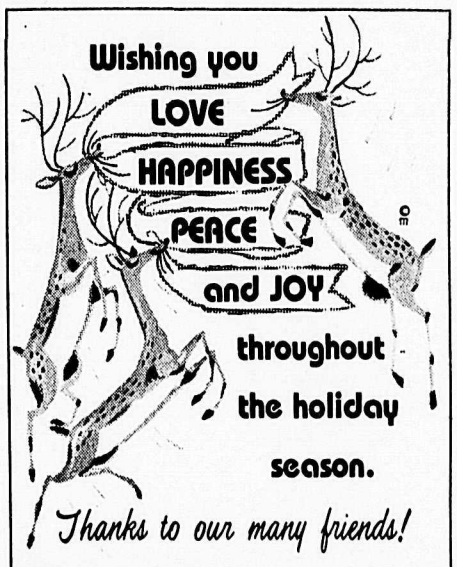
Monday Ladies, Dec. 4:
Mean Machine led with 44½ points followed by Alder Balls with 37 and Pussy-Foots with 34.
THT - Mean Machine 3621, Alder Balls 3549, Mean Machine 3548.
THS - Mean Machine 1402, Mean Machine 1329, Alder Balls 1278.
LHT - Sharon Brady 566, Karen Wandler 819, Karen Wandler 778.
LHS - Joyce Klassen 330, Karen Wandler 321, Sharon Brady 320.
LHA - Karen Wandler 224, Sharon Brady 219, Liz Avery 209, Doreen Dolby 204, Leona Albertson 196, Phyllis Hamberg 195, Marg Goldsmid 188, Iris McMath 184, Linda McDonald 183, Carol Robinson 182, Evie Whipple 182.
Monday Night, 7-9, Dec. 4:
Gamblers led with 35 points followed by Stingrays and Gutterkings with 34 and Outcasts with 33.
THT - Ball Busters 3667, Chugalugs 3489, Outcasts 3462.
THS - Ball Busters 1338, Gutterballs 1268, Ball Busters 1225.
MHT - Chuck Smaill 794, Wayne Alary 767, Chuck Smaill 766.
MHS - Chuck Smaill 345, Al Holland 328, Dick Delight 324.
MHA - Chuck Smaill 230, Al Holland 210, Wayne Alary 208.
LHT - Arlene Kitsul 865, Kit Archambeault 805, Barb Woestenburg 737.
LHS - Debbie Stead 305, Arlene Kitsul 294, Arlene Kitsul 291.
LHA - Arlene Kitsul 222, Rose Gelinas 206, Kit Archambeault 196.
Monday 9-11, Dec. 4:
Hot Squad led with 41 points followed by Get Crack'n with 32 and Turbo Chargers with 30.
THT - Turbo Chargers 4355, Hot Squad 4309.
THS - Turbo Chargers 1282, Hot Squad 1217.
MHT - N. Hrynkiw 1077, L. Hargrove 1043, D. Ringrose 1039.
MHS - L. Hargrove 366, N. Hrynkiw 342, J. Petrie 330.
MHA - D. Ringrose 234, L. Hargrove 222, N. Hrynkiw 222.
LHT - B. Skwarok 1211, N. Fentie 1199, C. Gabelhei 1084, L. Lacey 1081.
LHS - N. Fentie 363, B. Swarok 360, G. Dougherty 337.
LHA - B. Swarok 268, N. Fentie 240, C. Gabelhei 239.
Tuesday 9:45 A.M., Dec. 5:
Splits led with 49 points followed by Roller Balls and Tri Hards with 44 and Rookies with 39.
THT - Rookies 3448, Splits 3447, Tri Hards 3445.
THS - Roller Balls 1275, Rookies 1255, Tri Hards 1242.
LHT - Val Mac 711, Gertie Fraser 708, Pat Kliever 703.
LHS - Wanda Rinke 292, Linda Martin 290, Sharon Thompson 290.
LHA - Gertie F. 206, Jo Anne C. 193, Pat K. 192, Wanda r. 192, Pat D. 191, Gerry B. 188, Marthe MM. 186, Vi Towe 183, Sharon T. 183, Linda W. 183.
Tuesday Mixed, Dec. 5:
Bonetti Meats led with 49 points followed by Fearless Five with 47½ and Bowling Brats with 37.
THT - Dual Tire 3738, Fearless Five 3627, Bonetti Meats 3608.
THS - Dual Tire 1395, Bonetti Meats 1324, Fearless Five 1282.
MHT - Italo 900, Ted 881, Doug 813.
MHS - Ted 385, Bruce 330, Italo 323.
MHA - Italo 237, Ted 236, Peter 233, Brian 211, Mike 210, Carlo 209, Lorne 205, Bruce 205, Doug 200, Dave 200.
LHT - Betty 935, Doreen 754, Gaylene 752.
LHS - Betty 386, Hiro 339, Joyce 323, Gaylene 311, Karen 300.
LHA - Betty 259, Karen 221, Gaylene 206, Rose 202.
Tuesday Mixed 9-11, Dec. 5:
Headpins led with 102 points followed by Spoilers with 91 and Strikers with 89.
THT - Headpins 3633, Headpins 3546, Rumballs 3541, Bombers 3541.
THS - Spoilers 1331, Headpins 1323, Rumballs 1281.
MHT - Willy Batyi 878, Tom Power 833, Dick Dolby 825.
MHS - Bruce Keller 381, Tom Power 380, Dick Dolby 375.
MHA - Chuck Swanson 253, Dennis Ringrose 238, Richard Wristen 237, Len Betker 221, Willy Batyi 221, Tom Power 218, Stu Patterson 218, Don 212, Jim Petrie 210, Bill Henderson 206.
LHT - Gail Dougherty 758, Gail Dougherty 750, Hovyd Vandenend 712.
LHS - Hovyd Vandenend 313, Ann Kuipers 299, Ann Kuipers 287.
LHA - Gail Dougherty 208, Norma Gadicke 197, Ann Kuipers 194, Shirlee Nadeau 187, Dianne Jones 183, Wilma Power 181, Doris Stevenson 180, Edna Eve 180, Byrl Henderson 170, Annette Wristen 169.
Wednesday Morn. Ladies, Dec. 6:
Friendly Five and Rookies shared the lead with 32 points followed by Rattlers with 25 and Hot Legs with 21.
THT - Rookies 3483, Friendly Five 3357, Rattlers 3242.
THS - Rookies 1278, Friendly Five 1212, Rattlers 1192.
LHT - Bunny Sobie 702, Judith Stokes 676, Helma Walison 671.
LHS - Bunny Sobie 300, Pat Branch 293, Shirley Lojstrop 287.
LHA - Pat B. 190, Bunny S. 187, Lynne G. 184, Helma W. 181, Madalynne 178, Shirley L. 177, Judith 172, Wendy 171, Mary Ann 171.
Ladies Wed. Eve., Dec. 6:
Weekly High Team - Team Mates 3452.
Weekly High Games - Norma Fentie 309, 369. Fran Kirchmayer 265, 231, 226, total 722. Karen Wandler 277, Marg Bland 270. Edie Burgess 255.
THT - Team Mates 3711.
THS - Team Mates 1441.
LHT - Norma Fentie 886.
LHS - Norma Fentie 369.
LHA - Norma Fentie 252.
wednesday 9-11, Dec. 6:
Aldergrove Bombers led with 87 points followed by Odd Balls with 76½ and Anything Goes with 76.
THT - The Blazing Balls 3659.
THS - The Blazing Balls 1305.
MHT - Chuck Swanson 812.
MHS - Ron Escaravage 315.
MHA - Chuck Swanson 222, Don Malo 216, Bill Kerekes 204.
LHT - Jan Ostrowercha 744.
LHS - Heather McLean 299.
LHA- Jan Ostrowercha 209, Frieda Scott 204, Lynn Smith 200.
Thursday Ladies 12:45, Dec. 7:
Wm. Nursery led with 47 points followed by Jolly 5 with 41 and Country 6's wiht 39.
THT - 3681, Country 6's 3543.
THS - Floosey 5 1345, Wm. Nursery 1332.
LHT - A. Kitsul 891, G. Bourgeois 776, B. Rowlands 768.
LHS - V. Friessen 369, L. Wergeland 344, A. Kitsul 339.
LHA - A. Kitsul 221, C. Dolby 216, B. Rowlands 214, V. Freissen 213.
Thursday Nite Mixed, Dec. 7:
Willy Wonkas led with 30 points followed by A-Rabs and Blue Stars with 28 and Otters with 26.
THT - Willy Wonkas 3588, A-Rabs 3568, Chimos 3496.
THS - Blue Stars 1326, Willy Wonkas 1302, A-Rabs 1277.
MHT - Bruce Copp 788, Jim Murray 751, Abe Dyke 748.
MHS - Abe Dyke 348, Dik Munday 345, Al Dundo 311.
MHA - Bruce Copp 221, Jim Murray 217, Jim Young 208, Abe Dyke 207, Dik Munday 199.
LHT - Linda Ayers 741, Inge Arbour 723, Elizabeth Norton 715.
LHS - Janice Siebel 330, Elizabeth Norton 308, Sheila Bashard 308.
LHA - Inge Arbour 212, Liz Norton 188, Carmelle Conway 187, Sharon Thompson 186, Karen Hrynkiw 184.
Friday Night Mixed, Dec. 1:
Goofy Greats led with 39 points followed by Fireballs with 38 and Mash IV with 37.
THT - Alley Cats 3683, Fireballs 3563, Dead Heads 3472.
THS - Alley Cats 1298, Odd Balls 1289, Wipe Outs 1278.
MHT - Dave Hemphill 900, Ray Puffer Sr. 849, Ken Nikkel 841.
MHS - Ray Puffer Sr. 395, Dave Hemphill 346, Alan Moore 331.
MHA - Ray Puffer Sr. 237, Dave Hemphill 235, Ken Nikkel 227, Ryan Dolby 226, Alan Moore 219, Richard Wristen 218, Ron Kinley 209, Syd Anderson 202, Ed Turtle 197.
LHT - Lorna Puffer 786, Joan Moore 752, Mary Miller 720.
LHS - Brenda Waechter 326, Joan Moore 307, Colleen Hemphill 292.
LHA - Joan Moore 207, Mary Miller 204, Lorna Puffer 197, Marg Waechter 196, Ann Nikkel 194, Marg Werden 191, Branda Waechter 191, Colleen Hemphill 185, Rita Miller 181.
Bradner Bunch led with 40 points followed by What Nots with 37 and All In the Family with 36.
THT - Bradner Bunch 3546, All in the Family 3545, What Nots 3501.
THS - What Nots 1320, Bradner Bunch 1289, Bradner Express 1261.
MHT - Larry Lewthwaite 873, Ryan Dolby 858, Herb Thomasson 793.
MHS - Larry Lewthwaite 368, Herb Thomasson 349, Blaine Baxter 345.
MHA - Larry Lewthwaite 253, Norm Stewart 220, Ryan Dolby 220, Ralph Chick 214, Herb Stewart 213, Robert Gray 209, Blaine Baxter 192, Dan Lewthwaite 192, Peter Darbyshire 189, Rupert Hoar 187.
LHT - Claire Jean 671, Gail Lewthwaite 657, Bea Baxter 654.
LHS - Gail Lewthwaite 287, Bea Baxter 269, Claire Jean 263.
LHA - Bea Baxter 193, Ann Darbyshire 188, Claire Jean 183, Gail Lewthwaite 179, Evie Chick 178, Helen Kane 168, Marg Michaelson 163, Nancy Thomasson 160, Debbie Munnik 154, Marilyn Hrisisten 153.

Youth Bowling
Monday High School
Dec. 5, 1978

Winning Team - 4 Stars
GHS - Ryan Dolby 328.
BHA - Ryan Dolby 222.
BHT - Ryan Dolby 822.
GHS - Donna Waechter 280.
GHT - Rita Miller 637.
GHA - Dianne Kelly 186.

Aldergrove Elementary
Wed., Dec. 6, 1978

Winning Team - Denny and the Jets.
BHS - Don Ojala 235.
BHA - Anyn Sunderji 154.
BHD - Don Ojala 404.
GHS - Stephanie Avery 235.
GHD - Stephanie Avery 421.
GHA - Stephanie Avery 181.



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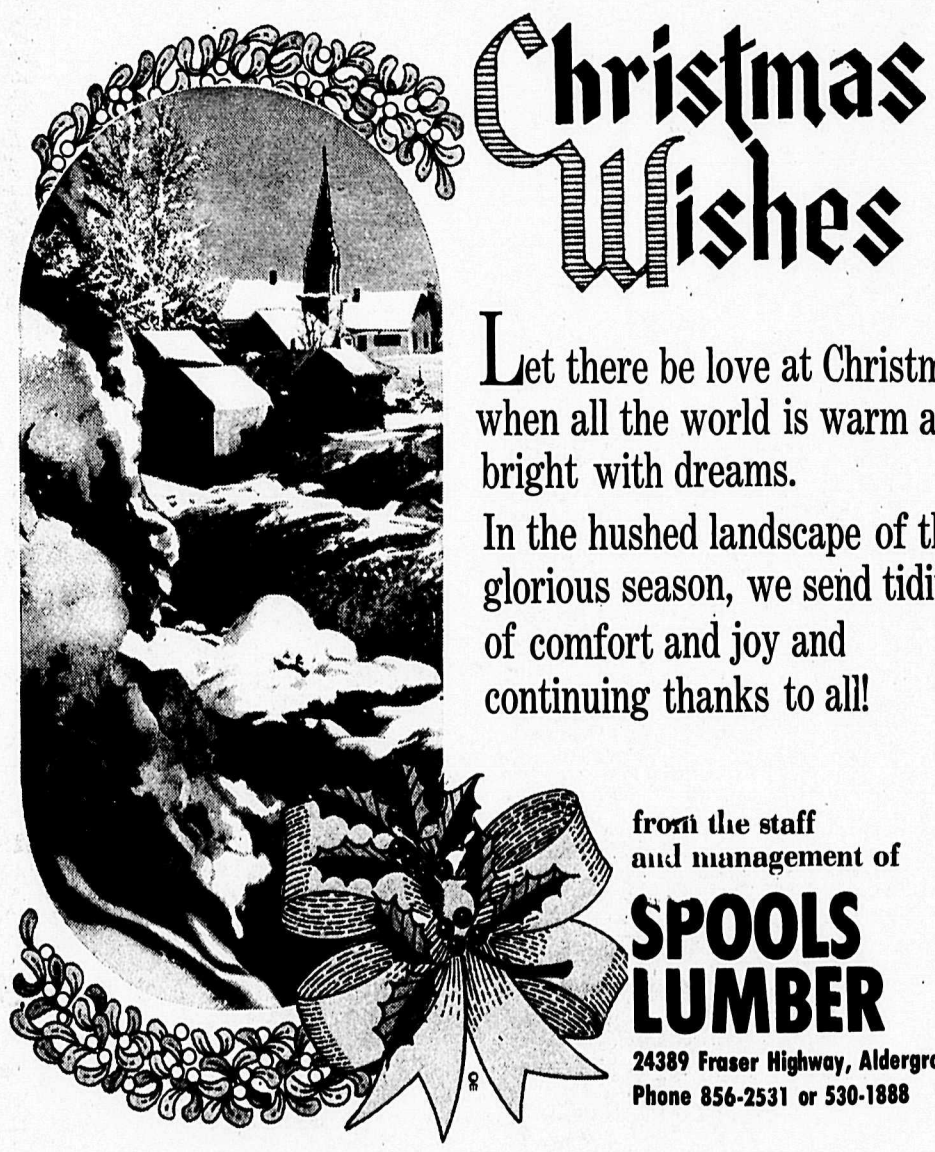
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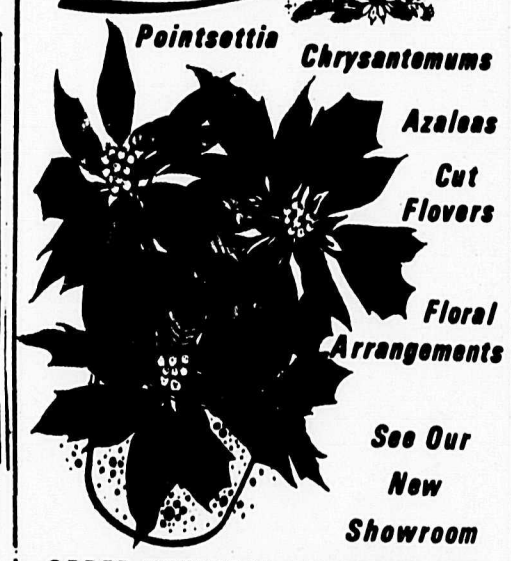
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12.Tractor Work

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12.Tractor Work

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15.Gravel Sales

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17.Bldg. Construction

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24.Fuel

Firewood, U-haul. By car trunk, wheel barrow or whatever. 4641 Bradner. **856-2888.** 50-6

Dry firewood for sale. You haul or delivered. **856-2185.** 50-4

Birch, alder u-pick-up. $35 cord. Stove-length. Lot 21 Cottonwood (283 St.) off Fraser Hwy., weekends. 49-8

24.Fuel

Firewood - split Alder. $30 per load delivered. **856-7915.** 50-8

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Will babysit my home. $1.00 hour plus lunch. Springfield Village. **856-1391.** 49-5

Experienced carpenter, bricklayer, tiler, general handyman, seeking employment. **856-6589.** 42-30

Babysitting at our home also house sit for vacationeers. **Ph.: 856-4849.** 41-12

Reliable 14 year old girl available for babysitting, evenings and weekends. Phone Susan at **856-5523.** 51-2

Going on holidays? Need someone to look after pets & animals? Phone Sheila **856-5452.** 51-2

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31.Jobs Available

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31.Jobs Available

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3 bdrm suite, fridge, stove, drapes, washer, dryer. $250. **856-2126** after 2 p.m. 51-2

One bdrm suite or house ($200 bracket) Christian couple. **856-4486.** 51-2

Langley, 3-bdrm townhouse, full bsmt., fenced yard, washer, dryer, fridge & stove. Avail. Jan. 1/79. **856-8098.** 49-3

Blue Star Motel 1 and 2 bdrm. furnished house-keeping unit For Rent all utilities included, special monthly rate, weekly rate $60.00 - $70.00. 28044 Fraser Hwy., Aldergrove. **856-8125.** 43-3-512-TF

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3 Bdrm. rancher. 1650 sq.ft. family room on 5 acres. Refs. req. $400 mo. **856-4927** or **856-7064.** 50-2

Avail. Jan. 1st. Year old 1400 sq.ft., 3 bdrm rancher. 1½ baths on 2 acres. Dble. carport. 300 sq.ft: barn. Ref. $450. **856-6906.** 50-30786-2

3 bdrm. house for rent. Avail. immed. Rent $300. Phone **853-8783.** 50-4

2 bdrm. partly furnished, self contained penthouse. Inquire at Alder Inn. 50-30774-2

33.Wanted to Rent

Wanted to rent; 3-bdrm house reasonable rent. Call 574-5115 ask for Jim, or call **533-2215.** 49-5

Wanted: Room & Board. Reasonable. **856-6249.** Ask for Mel. 50-2

34. Misc For Sale

Professionally built canopy for 8ft truck box. Brand new. $275 O.B.O. **856-7118.** 51-2

Sdomon III bindings. $25, Nordica ski boots, brand new. Size 11½, $100. **856-8242.** 51-1

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Beginners 18 cord organ. 31" high, 33" wide. $50. **856-1023.** 51-1

Furnished bsmt suite suitable for 1 person, $175 per mo. Utilities included. **853-0807.** 51-1

Artificial Blue Spruce Xmas tree & stand. $8. **859-5848.** 51-1

Motorcross bike, heavy duty frame & shocks. Good cond. **856-2274.** 51-2

Moving, must sell, stock rack, chain harrows, rototiller & gas range. **856-8005.** 51-2

Portable singer sewing machine has zig-zag. Like new. $75.00. Phone **856-4607.** 51-4

34. Miscellaneous for sale

B.W. 1953 20 in. Sylvania TV. Model #C21C53, Serial #10-268. Phone **856-4880.** 51-2

7-pce dining room set. $125. **856-7554.** 51-3

2 new hand made buffalo sweaters, size 38 & 40-42. $85. Make nice Xmas gifts. **856-5426** or **856-4464.** 51-2

Trailer axle & drawbar, $75. 3-pt plough, $150. 3-pt pallet Carrier $150. 6 h.p. Briggs engine, $100. 51-2

17' plywood boat, $125.00. Built-in dishwasher, $45.00. Spear gun for diving, $60.00. **856-6246.** 51-2

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Horse trailer (single) new paint job. Single axle. New wheel bearing. Price $500. **856-7527.** 51-3

Pair prairie style overshoes, size 9, zipper, brand new $12. B&W TV and stand. **856-7168.** 51-2

Sanyo Super CME movie camera, lights and carrying case, view, $275. Also portable typewriter, $45. **856-6175** 51-2

Scotts 1978 Stamp catalogues, Vols. I, II, III & IV. $25.00. **530-5404.** 51-2

Rock maple dining suite, hutch, table, 6 chairs, very nice condition. **856-5344.** 51-1

Six month old Whirlpool dishwasher, exc. cond. Asking $250. **856-8827.** 51-2

Honda 125 motor bike frame, good shape. No engine. Offers **856-5549.** 51-2

For sale, recovered front seat for 2-door '56 Pontiac or Chev. $30 O.B.O. **856-7942.** 51-2

2 12" snow tires. $15. 1 yr. old. **856-5455.** 51-2

Hide-a-bed, 6 mo. old, green, gold, brown, $200.00 O.B.Q. **856-2951.** 50-2

200 gal. gas tank with stand, nozzle and filter. **856-2635.** 50-2

Hohner accordian, Soreign flute, Hoover washmachine, each $50. Full, half sized violin $350, $125. **856-1510.** 50-2

Two 950x165 snow tires. 60% tread. $30 each. **859-8842.** 50-2

For sale, Christmas special 5-pce drum set, exc. cond. **853-5578.** 50-3

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German Shepherd pup. 8 months old. Good watch dog. **856-4027.** 50-2

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Girls size 3, boys size 5, skates. Like new. $15 each. **856-6658.** 50-2

Wanted: used ping pong table. **856-4493.** 50-2

For sale, 18" Barnsby English saddle girth, stirrups included $225, aslo smoke detector (guaranteed) **856-8709.** 49-

34.Misc. For Sale

New Electrolux AP200 with power head and tools, bags etc. $275.00 cash firm. **856-7092.** 50-4

Wringer washer, auto shut off, good cond. $50. **530-9939.** 49-3

For sale, wood grain Hagstrom 3 6-string solid body. $300. **859-5068.** 50-2

Craig 8-track 180 power play. 10W per channel. $125. AGS 6 pc. stereo amp. $400. **856-2310.** 49-3

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New 19-pce stainless steel waterless cookware. Sale $199 **856-4984.** 48-4

Beautiful mens Buffalo wool Indian sweater, Hand made. Size 46. $70. After 6 p.m. **856-5256.** 48-4

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35. Livestock

Jersey cow with calf due February. $300. **856-7042.** 51-2

For sale, 9 yr. old Welsh pony. 13 H.H. with saddle. $75 to good home. **856-8835.** 51-2

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4 yr. old reg. ½ Arab gelding. 15 H.H. started training in Western. **856-2587.** 51-6

Pure bred Arabian weanling colt, bay turning grey. $1500. Phone **530-9452** after 6:30 p.m. 50-8

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Weiner pigs approx. 40 lbs. each. No calls Sunday, please. **856-6186.** 50-2

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Reg. ¼ horse gelding buckskin, 11 yrs. old. 15.3 H.H. Phone **856-1706.** 50-30767-2

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Livestock

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Siamese kittens. $25. **856-8016** 50-2

Malamute puppies, ready for Xmas. Sired by Canadian champion, Yukon Red. **856-2898.** 50-2

Two female kittens, 3 months old. Tortoise coloured. Will make good barn cats. **856-5710** 50-2

37.Pets

Border Collie X pups. Free to good home, will keep till Xmas. **856-5474.** 50-2

Purebred Cairn terrier puppies. 1 male, 1 female. Loving pets. **856-4761.** 50-2

P.B. German Shepherd pups. Will hold til Christmas. Also '63 Chev II for sale. **856-8778.** 50-2

Queensland Blue Healer pups. Reg. male $100, female $125. Unregistered less. One pony. $250. **856-1081.** 50-4

Min. Poodle Puppies. Will be ready for Christmas. $85. **856-5097.** 50-2

Will give good home to pup or dog. **534-8217.** 50-2

Miniature Daschund pup. For pet or show. Will hold until Christmas. **856-2252.** 49-4

Manx kittens, short tailed $15, tailess $45. Will hold til Christmas. **856-2252.** 49-4

Reg. Irish setter male. 2 yrs. old. Reasonable to the right home. **856-7336** after 5. 49-3

Reg. Beagle pups. Shots. **856-4064.** 49-4

St. Bernard puppies, P.B., 7 weeks old. **856-5728.** 50-2

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41.Property For Sale

5 acres - by owner, 22475 - Zero Ave., Langley. Exceptionally nice high & dry. Fenced. Phone **856-1832.** 51-3

42.Homes For Sale

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3 mos. old 3 bdrm. split level, w/w, F/P, p. bsmt., carport close to schools & shopping. $2,000 down assumable mortgage at 10%. **859-3414.** 48-30710-4

42.Homes For Sale

5% down, 3 bdrm. townhouse, 1½ baths, 1200 sq.ft., 4 appliances, end unit, private yard, no agents. **856-8275.** 49-3

Paradise Valley Washington choice lot, mostly cleared. Realistic priced $5,000. Phone **591-2337.** or **596-8223.** 42-24

43.Mobile Homes

1976 12x68 3 bdrm. Exc. cond. wheels, oil tank. To be moved. $11,900 O.B.O. **856-8247.** 48-4

1972 3-bdrm mobile home, fridge, stove, dishwasher, incl. Best offer over $10,000. **856-4027.** 48-8

1974 mobile home 12x60 on pad, enquire at mobile home adult park, price to be negotiated. **856-7995.** 49-30755-3

46.Holiday Trailers

10'6" custom camper with stove, oven, furnace, ice-box & boat loader. $1,900. **856-6859.** 49-3

50' little Giant elevator for sale, good for silage & cubes. Good cond. **856-8471.** 49-3

47.Misc. Wanted

Transportation needed Aldergrove to Abbotsford - Fraser Valley starting Jan. 2. **856-8940.** 50-2

Wanted: 327 or 350 CID G.M. engine, 8 stud wide rim. Ask for Frank **856-2525** or **856-6525** 48-4

Wanted to buy, scrape blade for 3pt. hitch. Am willing to do some repair. **856-7626.** 48-4

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For sale, 44 H.P. John Deere Tractor. 269 new Holland Bailer, material elevator on wheels. **856-2674.** 49-8

Bobcat front-end loader For Rent, with operator. Phone **856-8181.** 46-8

50.Auto. Supplies

Two Capri winter rims, two 165x13 radial snows: misc. Capri parts. Ask for Ted **856-2377.** 51-2

52: Cars

For sale, 1971 Datsun 510. Good cond. $975, also 1969 Datsun P.U. good cond. $950. **856-7227.** 49-3

52:Cars

For sale, 350 Chev motor, also '67 Ford 2-dr., H.T. **856-7603.** 50-2

For sale, 2 snows and 2 summer tires for Volkswagon Beetle. $10 each. **856-7283.** 50-2

For sale 1969 Ford 4-door, good cond. $600 firm. **856-7358.** 50-2

Junk cars wanted, cash for some. **856-2782.** 38-3-369-TF

1973 Vega. Reliable transportation. First $500 takes. **856-6647.** 50-4

Scrap cars wanted, Bradner Salvage. **856-8378.**tf

1970 Custom LeSabre Buick, 4-dr., H.T., 4 barrel, P/B, P/S, P/W. Good shape. **856-6185.** 49-4

'73 Ford LTD good cond. 58,000 miles. Auto, P.S., P.B., P.W. winterized snow tires. $2,000. **856-7073.** 50-2

1971 Karmann Ghia exc. cond. 5-speed, radio, steel belted radials, (summer & winter) $2,900. **856-2288.** 50-3

1972 2-dr. coupe Chev. Vega. 5 E.T. mags. Radial tires. Good shape. Consider trade. **859-6346.** 50-30776-2

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Singh - Kapour (Jake) Singh passed away suddenly at Nanaimo on December 7, 1978. Late of 3299 - River Rd., Port Albernie, formerly of 29992 - Burgess Rd., Mt. Lehman. Aged 37 yrs. Born in Abbotsford October 31, 1941, was a logging truck driver. Survived by wife Karen, 2 sisters Mrs. William (Ajmare) Clark of Mt. Lehman, Mrs. Leo (Sarjite) Toewes of Abbotsford. 1 brother Ajmer Singh of New Westminster. Funeral service was held Monday, December 11, 1978 at 2:30 P.M. from the chapel of Hendersons Funeral Home, Abbotsford under the auspices of Jehovah Witnesses. Mr. Ernie Langfield officiating followed by interment at Mt. Lehman Cemetary. Pall Bearers Harry Ray, Len Dumont, Bob Smith, Terry Clark, Bim Banga and Kerry Ray.

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The lots are not offered for sale individually but only as a block and the sale is subject to the condition that the successful bidder must install the roads necessary to service the subdivision.

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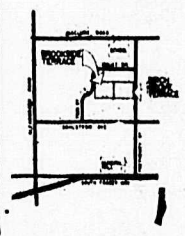

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A Public Hearing will be held in the Municipal Hall, 4914 - 221st Street, on Monday, January 8th, 1979, at 1:30 P.M. for the purpose of:

Zoning By-law Amendment By-law, 1978 No. 1833

An Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 1312

for:

The clarification and addition of certain uses namely, The substitution of the words "Civic Use" for the words "Community Facilities" and the deletion of said uses from the UR 1, UR 2, RR 1, RR 2 zones.

The deletion of the words "private hospitals" after the words "Rest Homes".

The addition of the use "Community Care Facilities" and the meaning of same.

A change in the meaning of the term "Religious Use".

A broadening of the meaning of the term "Rest Home Use".

Copies of the By-Law may be seen at the Municipal Offices, 4914 - 221st Street, Langley, B.C. during the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday to Friday.

Those persons who deem their property to be affected by this Amendment are invited to attend and be heard.

D.J. DOUBLEDAY,
MUNICIPAL CLERK.

51-11185-2

Bradner elementary school students presented the story of the Christ child at their Christmas concert last week. Above are Mary, Joseph, the wise men, shepherds and angels. Rick McIlwain photo

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Gold creeks of the Cassiar

By LYN HANCOCK

Want to try your luck at prospecting?

Spurred by the high price of gold, a number of modern prospectors, both professional and amateur, have rediscovered the Cassiar.

A 100 years ago, this remote region in northern British Columbia was much better known than it is today. But with access through Highway 37 north of Terrace or south of Watson Lake, the Cassiar, scenically beautiful and economically significant, is making a comeback.

A century ago, 1,600 miners were feverishly working their claims on the creeks of the Cassiar: first Thibert Creek, then Dease Creek, then the richest of all, McDame Creek.

The early stampeders used metal pans, wingdams and wooden rockers. Modern miners, hoping to uncover the gold left behind, work with bulldozers, monitors, and scraper buckets powered by diesel winches.

You'll find both methods along the road between Dease Lake and Cassiar.

The old ghost towns have almost gone but touches of the past still remain in the dilapidated log cabins, rows of barren tailings, caved-in shafts and abandoned equipment.

Of Laketon, once the capital of the Cassiar, only a few cabins and the former jail now remain on the delta, across from Dease lake at Dease Creek's mouth. Before the tent city moved north with the miners in the 1880's, 8,000 persons camped there.

Eight miles further on is Porters Landing, another gold rush fame community. It can be seen across the lake. Just before the turnoff to Cassiar and much closer than the Dease diggings, is a short quarter-mile detour to an old gold mill.

But it is just north of the Cassiar junction that most of the gold fever was and is being focussed. Look around, but if signs say "private property", it is wise to check first before treading in the old prospectors' footsteps as modern ones may not like to share their digging secrets.

If you follow a track to the south side of the road near the First North Fork bridge you will find yourself in the middle of the ghost town of Centreville, which in its heyday during the 1870's served as many as 700 miners working nearby McDame Creek. It owed its brief existence to black prospector Harry McDame, a veteran of gold rushes to the south and one who had always been in the vanguard of exploration.

In the summer of 1874, he set out from Laketon on Dease Lake, passed Dease Creek and Thibert Creek, the original two discoveries, and then journeyed down the Dease River, panning each creek as he came to it. His tenacity paid off when he struck rich pay dirt. In the first month of mining his quickly formed company took out $6,000 in gold. A year later it was fifty times more.

Miners followed in droves by ocean steamers from Victoria to Wrangell, Alaska; by river steamer or canoe along the Stikine River to Telegraph Creek; by trail for 80 miles to Dease Lake then by flat-bottomed scow or canoe down Dease River to McDame Creek.

Three years after the initial discovery, a miner, Alfred Freeman, washed out a massive gold nugget weighing 73 ounces, the largest ever found in B.C.

But the yield dropped with the influx of miners and by 1912 only five men were working the creek. White miners moved away to newer creeks. The Chinese, more patient and willing to work more industriously for longer hours at lower wages, came in to work the abandoned claims and supported themselves at the same time by growing food.

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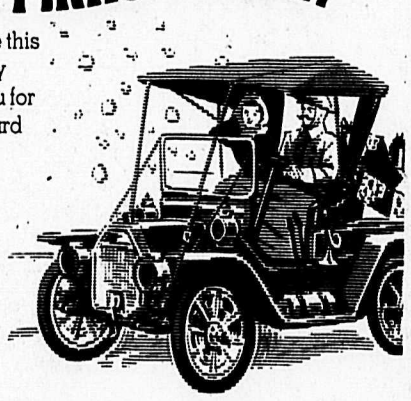

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Totems dropped in 'Close Encounters'

ALDERGROVE - Last week the Aldergrove secondary school Totems senior basketball teams were involved in four games that can only be described as "Close Encounters". In this case though, the "encounters" involved rival basketball teams rather than creatures from a distant planet.

The senior girls team travelled to Mountain on Tuesday to play the Devils in a league game. The first quarter ended deadlocked at 11 - 11. In the second quarter the Totems bolted to a 23 - 16 half-time advantage thanks to Sandy Daigneault's 10 points. The third quarter proved to be Aldergrove's demise. Mountain's Devils outscored the Totems 20 - 4 to race to a 36 - 27 third quarter lead. The Totems regained their composure and came back to outscore Mountain in the fourth quarter. Unfortunately, the Aldergrove comeback fell short, leaving Mountain a 45 - 37 victor in this "encounter".

Thursday, the senior girls headed to Garibaldi for their second league game of the week. Again the Totems were victims of a second half let-down and again they lost by eight points. Garibaldi led throughout the game, though the Aldergrove girls managed to trail by only two points, 29 - 18, at the end of the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, Garibaldi made their first four shots to take a 28 - 18 lead which the visitors were unable to overcome. The final score was 34 - 26 in favor of Garibaldi.

Over the weekend, the senior boys team travelled to Hope to play in the Hope Invitational basketball tournament. Four senior boys were involved in the tournament.

On Friday night, the Totems "encountered" the North Kamloops Saints. The team from the interior of the province hended the Totems a 78 - 71 setback as a disastrous second quarter cost the 'Grove team the game. Despite a courageous second-half comeback attempt the Aldergrove team was unable to get any closer than within six points of North Kamloops. Kraig Blades, Jamie Mobert, and Chris Huff were the leading scorers for Aldergrove. Andrew Cronkhite played a strong defensive game from his forward position.

In the consolation game Saturday afternoon, the Totems reversed the roles of the previous night. Aldergrove managed to withstand a furious comeback by Mouat, dropping their opponent 68 - 67. Aldergrove lead throughout the entire game holding quarter-time leads of 16 - 14, 43 - 22, and 57 - 44. Kraig Blades and Jamie Moberg were once again the leading pont getters for 'Grove. Duncan Cronkhite contributed eight points and made several fine individual offensive moves. For his fine play throughout the tournament, Kraig Blades was named to the tournament all-star team.

Langley Borsatos butchered the Bradner Redshirts 10-0 last Sunday on Bradner turf.

Above Borsato no. 14 scores the eighth goal of the game.
-Rick McIlwain photo

Local basketball teams high winners

CLEARBROOK - Clearbrook junior secondary are fortunate to be able to offer four different programs in girls basketball this year. These teams include junior girls (9 and 10), grade 9 girls, and grade 8 girls "A" and "B". All four teams were successful in league play during the past week.

JUNIOR GIRLS

The junior girls came back with two convincing victories in league play last week after loosing to an extremely strong Abbotsford team the previous week.

Clearbrook's first victory was on Tuesday against the Yale Highlanders. The Clearbrook squad got a quick jump on the unsuspecting Highlanders and by the end of hte first quarter were in the lead 26-4. Yale was no match for C-Jay's aggressive offense and the score board zoomed to a 76-12 total by the end of the game. Scorers for Clearbrook were Ilona Hardy 28, Dora Warmerdam 20, Toshi Honkowa 16, Verena Toews 8, Carol Tabian 4, and Sheila Bens 2. High scorer for Yale was J. Phillip Stewart with 8.

Thursday saw a more even match as C-Jay battled against Mouat. The first quarter started slow with Clearbrook out of step on offense. After a quick time-out at a score of 6-4 in favor of C-Jay, Clearbrook put their strategy into action. Guards Hardy, Honkawa and Geddert displayed an efficient man-to-man full court press. This was flustering to Mouat and C-Jay forwards of Toews, Bens, Tabian, Warmerdam, Floria Jansen and Dana Sim, were able to score 12 more baskets to Mouat's two by the end of the half. Score at this point was 28-8 for Clearbrook. The second half brought the Cougarettes bounding ahead to score 24 points to Mouat's 14. Final score was Clearbrook 52, Mouat 22. Scorers for C-Jay were Hardy 22, Warmerdam 8, Toews 10, Tabian 6, and Geddert 4.

Next games will be in the new year against Hatzic, Mission and M.E.I.

GRADE 9 GIRLS

The grade 9 girls basketball team began the season with a great booster. Their aggressive defence has taken them through two wins and one loss. The first game against Abbotsford was won by Clearbrook with a well deserved score of 26-24. Cindy Doucette led the C-Jay squad defensively, scoring 9 points, while Kelly Gabrielson and Shawana Cox rebounded their way to 9 points each. Silvia Jansen and Turina Engebretson displayed aggressive defensive skills to capture 6 points apiece.

Even though Clearbrook's second game was a disappointing loss of 32-21 for Abbotsford Christian, the third game brought Clearbrook back to their feet. C-Jay managed to come away with a convincing achievement of 40-28 against Mission. Outstanding performances were by Doucette, Cox, and Engebretson who scored 12, 9 and 7 points respectively. Diane Hirshman, Jackie Tokaryk, Shannon Lambert, and Jackie Hollingsworth ontributed both offensively and defensively to Clearbrook's successful week.

GRADE 8 GIRLS 'A'

The grade 8 girls captured two easy victories last week in both of their league games against Mission and Yale.

Monday saw C-Jay pitted against Mission. Mission was no match for C-Jay's height and rebounding strength and Clearbrook walked away with a 64-8 achievement. High scorers for Clearbrook were Michele Desmoulin 18 and Bev Buchanan 10.

On Friday C-Jay displayed their power and skill. After a six-all tie with Yale at the end of the quarter, Clearbrook pulled away leaving Yale to score only one more basket before the end of the game. Final tally was a convincing 30-8 for C-Jay. Scorers in this game were Desmoulin and Buchanan 12 each, Blondine Toews 4, and Teresa Thiessen 2. High scorer for Yale was Heidi Coleman 6.

GRADE 8 GIRLS 'B'

While in the process of learning the game of basketball, the grade 8 girls "B' squad displayed improved skills and captured their first victory of the season against Abbotsford junior. This team will be competing against Mission, M.E.I., Abbotsford Christian, and Abbotsford during the new year.

Aldergrove wins over Langley

ALDERGROVE - Ernie's Bantam played host to Langley B2 Wednesday, December 13. The home team were out to win a hockey game. They started the game with hard checking and strong skating. Langley opened the scofing with Aldergrove shorthanded. It was a fast first period, with Langley leading 1-0.

Aldergrove got on the score board with a goal from Stephen Waines assist to Gord Minot at 12:12 of the second period. Richard Jolly was playing well in net for Ernie's but Langley sheaked one by for their second and final goal of the game.

The third period saw Wayne Redekop in net for Ernie's. Aldergrove second goal started from a shot from the point by Dwight Dancy and hard work by the forwards, the goal going to Allan Perry, assists to Bruce Baker and Jamie Bowes at 13:57.Ernie's really started putting on the pressure and finally Kevin Sathers put the home team ahead at 11:37 with the assist to Stephen Waines, while Aldergrove had the manpower advantage. Langley wasn't quitting but Wayne Redekop came up with a big save at 9:43 of the third period. Aldergrove kept up the good strong play and Allan Perry got his second goal of the game with a nice assist to Kevin Hilliard. An excellent team effort by Ernie's proved too much for Langley with Aldergrove winning 4-2.

Saturday evening Aldergrove played Langley B1 in Langley. Kevin Hilliard scored the opening goal of the game at 18:36, Bruce Baker and Kevin Watson got the assists.

The second period was just underway when Allan Perry scored, assists to Jamie Bowes and Paul DeGianni. DeGianni scored Aldergrove's third goal, a hard slap shot from the point, set up by a pass from Jamie Bowes at 3:13. The second period ended with Aldergrove leading 3-0.

An outstanding effort by Richard Jolly in goal for Aldergrove. Langley managed to score with only seven seconds remaining. Aldergrove outshot Langley 21 to 18. Final score of the game Aldergrove 3, Langley 1.

Bradner Redhsirts successfully defended their goal against a corner kick from the Borsatos at last Sunday's game.
-Rick McIlwain photo

All Stars play Royal City

ALDERGROVE - Fraser Valley All Stars will meet the Royal City Reps in an intermediate A hockey game at the local arena on Friday, Dec. 29.

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Rick McIlwain photo

Borsato accepts Italian challenge, defeat Royals

LANGLEY - Borsato soccer team has accepted a challenge from the crack Italian side of eleven, Reno, in Vancouver to meet them in a match at Philcrest Park (Ontario St. and 30 Avenue) on Christmas Eve. The game will be televised.

On January 8 the sponsor of the team, Mario Borsato will be interviewed on 'Kick', radio station CKCF along with star forward Doug Robinson who just returned from Honduras where he was playing with the Canadian national team, and Bob Ledbrook, the team's press agent. Mario Borsato will be interviewed about his 24-year sponsorship of the top Langley team.

Las weekend the team slaughtered the Bradner Royals at Bradner in a 10-0 game.

Pat McDonald of Aldergrove Market looks to feed a pass to Shelagh Masztalar breaking off camera.

Pat scored twice to lead Aldergrove passed PoCo in Belle Ringette action.
-Denis Clarke photo

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"Speaking of bathing in famous springs", said the tramp, "I bathed in the spring of '98."

WENMAN REPORT

B.C. the loser of federal funds for addiction program

By BOB WENMAN, MP

While Ed Schreyer had a socialist government in Manitoba for seven years Canadians should recognize his contribution to the country. I am very confident that Mr. Schreyer will do an excellent job as the Queen's representative in Canada. It was especially heartening that a Westerner was chosen for the first time.

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Last week I described my efforts to obtain federal government financing for the B.C. government's program to combat heroin addiction. The matter was again brought up in the House of Commons, this time by John Fraser M.P. (Vancouver South) and Joe Clark.

Apparently Ron Basford, the ex-justice minister stated four weeks ago that there would be money available for the program and Garde Gardom, B.C.'s attorney-general wrote a letter to Mr. Basford complaining that the word of the federal government had been broken on the heroin addiction issue. The response of the deputy prime minister, Allan MacEachen, to these inquiries was "I can understand that the former minister of justice, as a minister from B.C., might have exhibited, as I do on many occasions with respect to my province, a sympathetic and forthcoming attitude to particular projects." In the eyes of the federal government a statement of commitment is now just a sympathetic stand.

In B.C. we have a special problem, over 60 percent of Canada's heroin addicts, and the federal government refuses to contribute to the solution of the problem. As I mentioned last week over half the $222-million cost of the justice system is related to heroin abuse. You add that figure on top of health, welfare and voluntary sector costs, never mind the losses in income tax not paid by people connected to the heroin trade, you have an astronomical monetary loss to Canadians. The total annual cost of the Health Entry Plan is approximately $16-million and the federal government refuses to contribute one cent towards it.The misery of the addicts, their families and their victims can't be quantified but it is very real and can be alleviated by the B.C. program.

The Liberal government's behavior towards this particular issue is indicative of its overall attitude towards B.C.

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What price SIN? SIN is the social insurance number assigned to identify people in all social security benefits. The use of these numbers beyond their jurisdiction is growing rapidly. On November 2 my colleague, Ray Hnatshyn, M.P. (Saskatoon-Biggar) stated "The use of social insurance numbers has been so extended as to become a 'de facto' national identity card despite the government's assurances to the contrary. Secondly, this policy whether overt or condoned, has been adapted without a full examination and public debate of its merits and consequences".

The SIN is required for tax purposes, employment records, and the cashing of government savings bonds. It is demanded for driver's licenses and health insurance and by banks and insurance companies. The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association asks its peewee players for a SIN. The Prince Edward Island registrar of vital statistics applies for and receives a SIN for **all** newborn babies.

On October 27 in the House of Commons, Monique Begin, minister of health, responded to some of the complaints about the abuse of SIN by stating: "It is quite in order that in the future social insurance numbers will be used more and more."

The human rights commissioner, Gordon Fairweather, has said he has no objection to the numbers being used for specific purposes having to do, for example, with employment or income tax, but would be appalled if other departments of government can hook into a computer which is programmed just on the social insurance number. "We strongly condemn it, but we have to do more than that. We have to ask Parliament to deal with it."

At a question and answer period with students in Saskatoon, Trudeau indicated his personal belief that at some point in the future compulsory identity cards will be required by all Canadians. When my colleague Perrin Beatty, M.P. (Wellington-Grey-Dufferin) asked how many federal agencies were using SIN's, the federal government replied in a written answer that it **didn't know** and it might take six months to find out.

When the SIN's were first introduced Lester Pearson, the former prime minister, stated on April 8, 1964, "There is no necessity for extending this particular system (SIN) for this particular purpose to any other department. (Unemployment Insurance Commission and pensions)

The interrelated and sophisticated computer technology in use today makes it very easy for private citizens and governments alike to obtain access to information filed according to SIN's. Until there is a public debate on the issues involved Canadians cannot rest easy.

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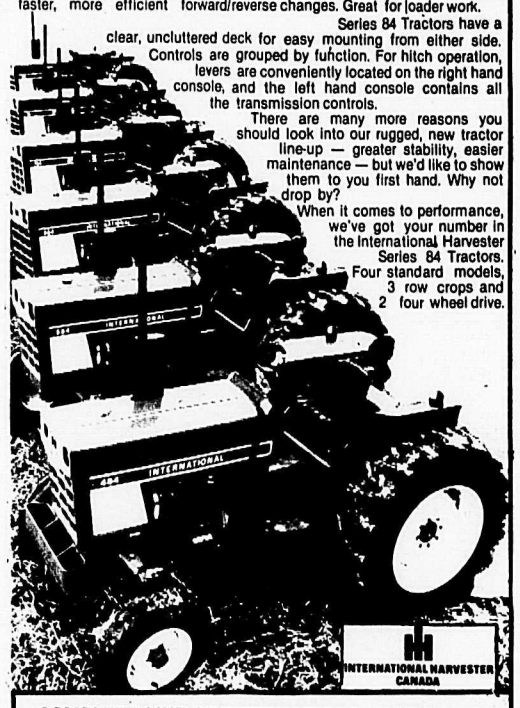

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Claire Hepting looks at pottery won in Mall draw.

Savings stamps can help research

ALDERGROVE - Christmas came a little early last week for Clair Hepting of 4725 - 272 Street as she accepted the prize of a pottery salad set of five pieces made by Aldergrove potter Mary Gravelle. The Langley unit of the Canadian Cander Society held an educational display in the local Aldergrove Mall in the fall and the pottery was donated to raise a little money for the society. Betty Cox, president of the Langley unit thanked all those who took part in this project which resulted in Mrs. Hepting having a very nice set for her Christmas table, the cancer society having a few more dollars for research and patient service and the community of Aldergrove the opportunity of learning more about cancer preventative steps that can be taken by every individual.

Every person can help in the battle against cancer by saving the stamps on Christmas mail and turning them into the Langley collection centre. When you have a good number to turn in phone 534-5867 or 534-5006 and arrangements will be made for delivery. These stamps are then sorted and sold to raise more funds for research. In the true spirit of Christmas, please help in this most worthwhile endeavour, urges Cox.

Info/Health

Dr. Bob Young

An unconscious patient is very dependent upon medical expertise. The doctor faced with a patient in a coma, particularly when there is no history of preceding events available, must have a definite plan of action if he is going to reach a rapid diagnosis and institute the correct treatment.

There are various degrees of stupor. Coma is complete unconsciousness, during which the patient is unaware of any stimulus, no matter how painful.

All of the many causes of coma are ultimately due to functional or physical damage to the more primitive part of the brain, or to diffuse effects on the nervous system.

It is useful to divide causes of unconsciousness into those occuring within the head, and those caused by disease elsewhere in the body.

Head injuries, blocked or bleeding arteries in the brain, brain tumors and epilepsy and encephalitis or other brain infection are all in the first category.

Sever hemorrahage, heart attacks, diabetic and insulin reactions, kidney failure, liver disease, intoxication with alcohol or other drugs, excessive heat or cold, severe allergic reactions, and electric shock are causes arising outside the brain.

The physician's first responsibility is to keep the patient alive while a search is made for the cause of the unconsciousness. Breathing has to be maintained, shock must be treated if it is present, and fluids and nourishment must be provided if the coma lasts any length of time - and it can go on for months.

Given time enough it is usually possible to determine the reason for the patient's condition. The history and examination of the patient is supplemented by laboratory tests which usually include testing for poisons and drug overdosage. Drug overdosage (either as suicide attempts or by young people looking for a 'high') is the commonest cause of coma today.

If sufficient facilities are available, and the cause of the coma is reversible, most unconscious patients will survive.

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Wishing the Best in '79

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Prince of Peace - year of The Child

By MUN HOPE

The late great planet earth will promote 1979 as the International Year Of The Child involving more than 150 countries.

Canada seconded the resolution in New York recently to mobilize the countries in this world-wide project for the coming year.

The importance of children and the families who nurture them is therefore gaining public recognition as never before.

Even a few minutes spent with little children can result in amazing international repercussions.

In Peru, for example, I met the principal of a well-known school recently. He was formerly a resident of the Fraser Valley; and he confided in my at the Lima airport, that as the direct result of a few words which I had said to him as a little boy, his purpose in life was crystallized; and now his life's work had taken him to various parts of the world.

In Ecuador, there was the publisher of Spanish literature who was working hard to better the conditions of the nationals. As we walked down the streets of Guayaquil, he recalled how it was back in the Fraser Valley where he received this vision and basic experience as we visited together many years ago.

In Bolivia, we saw the results of the sacrificial work performed by a daring young man, whose life was deeply affected by a short talk with him in my car as I took him home one day after a visit to Mission City.

In New Jersey, a missionary to the Puerto Ricans said he could not forget the short talk that helped to transform his life, during a rainstorm which got me soaking wet right up to my ankles, when he was just a little boy.

In Seattle, there was the young woman who told me that after a short talk in one of our Canadian schools, with her sister and myself, they have spent more than fifteen years in India working with the children in India. She happened to be back in North America on furlough when she suddenly recognized me while crossing a street in Seattle - after nearly twenty years.

There are many other occasions when a short word with a child can have far-reaching consequences.

There is the principal of a Fraser Valley academy who says that he finds those words very helpful. This occurred in some home in Mission City when he was just a boy, at the time when we met.

Then there is the minister of the Gospel who stopped me one day in Langley to express his gratitude for the few moments spent together with him when he was a student at Langley secondary school, which transformed his entire life.

After a conference with representatives from many universities in Ohio, a brilliant young man with many degrees after his name, and a very charming wife, came for some counselling. He felt that a person could not be changed just like that within a few seconds - especially after all that he had gone through in life, doing his own thing and going his own way, with apparent success, accumulating much wealth.

We read together the words of the Lord Jesus Christ recorded in Matthews 18:1,2,3,4 and 5.

"And Jesus called a little child unto him...

Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

The formula was simple. He took the place of a little child; and in child-like faith, he acknowledged himself to be a lost, guilty sinner. He admitted his need of punishment. He acknowledged that the Lord Jesus Christ is God; and that He has now become his personal Savior; and the Lord of his whole life. He thanked his Lord for dying for him on the cross.

We are spending much time during this season to make children happy. We can spend the entire coming year doing something for the children.

It is the international year of the child - 1979.

It can also be the year of The Child - The Prince of Peace.

"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, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6.

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Everything comes in threes

Bill Smiley

If anyone can tell me why disasters run in threes I'll be happy to listen. And don't think I'm superstitious, because I'm not.

I know from experience. During the war, it used happen on my squadron. We'd lose three pilots in two days, and then none for ten. And then three more.

During the peace, it was the same. One night my wife would bet a black for some inexplicable reason. The next day, one of the kids would come down with appendicitis or something. And the third day I'd get a parking ticket for parking in the same place I'd parked for weeks, free.

Last Saturday was no exception. We were delivering our older car to my daughter, in the city. She had finally obtained a position - not a job, mind you as a secondary school teacher. For one month.

But she has to commute for an hour and a half, at each end of the day. That's a pretty hefty commute, especially when you have to cope with two of hte wildest boys in Christendom, at each end.

So, in her inimitably modest and self-effacing way, she phoned her old man (collect) and suggested he loan her the old Dodge, market value $150, real value about $500, sentimental value about $12,000. This would cut her commuting time to 40 minutes.

So, in his inimitable stupid way, her old man agreed (why doesn't she move to Vancouver?) And in his eneffable idiotic way, her old man started worrying about her safety. The old Dodge - it's only eleven - requires a combination of jockey and a tractor driver to handle it.

So the old man, to cut a long story to ribbons, spent $125 in a check-up and repairs so that his baby wouldn't cream herself on the highway and leave said old man with two grandchildren to raise.

Just hang in there the saga has barely begun. All you've got so far is bachground. It gets worser and worser.

Saturday morning, Old Lady and self having breakfast before setting off for city to deliver old Dodge. Self breaks tooth while eating toast and jam, leaving him looking like a stand-in for Dracula.

However, dentists being the robber barons of the new era, doesn't even phone one. Cheerily sets off for city, tongue flicking like a snake at edges of ruptured tooth. Old Dodge runs down highway like a rocket.

Enter city, Enter Disaster Two. One of busiest thoroughfares, suddenly no brakes. NO brakes. Checked out the day before.

Red light comes on, Self, with nerves of steel of old fighter pilot juggles stick judiciously between forward and reverse and comes to rest, unharmed but shaking like proverbial leaf, against bumper of car on sidestreet.

There's only one thing more hair-raising that a car without brakes, and that's an aircraft without brakes. I've been through that caper too. But in a car you can always throw the thing into reverse. You might rip out the transmission, but you'll stop. In an aircraft, there ain't no reverse and you hit the ground at about 100 miles per hour, with several tons of metal. The only brake is the end of the runway, which can be a bit hairy.

Anyway, got the old Dodge stopped. A delightful young Englishman, who lives on the quiet sidestreet on which I came to rest, saw my predicament, and gave great aid and comfort. He checked out my master cylinder, which for all I knew, was in the trunk, and there was fluid in it. He suggested I try to make a garage, two blocks away, by driving in low gear with him driving ahead to act as a buffer. Tried this and panicked when horns started hooting viciously.

He took me to the garage, insisted on waiting until I was served, commiserated with me over the $14 towing charge, and took me back to the derelict, where I expected to find my wife literally shaking with rage. At me.

Something's happening to her. Ten years ago, in such an incident, she'd have ripped into me with assorted charges of incompetence, mopery and gawk.

But she's mellowed. She merely asked me how things went. When the tow-truck arrived and hoisted our front end high, we both elected to remain in the car. As we sailed majestically off to the garage, I ventured tentatively, "Fun, isn't it?", she grinned, and we were closer than we've been for a while.

We suffered a learned exposition from the mechanic, whose favorite word, ironically, was "irony". Not the sort of word mechanics usually toss about. He expounded, "The irony of it is that if I put in a new master cylinder, at about $120, you may still have no brakes, since there may be air in the lines, and I can't bleed the lines, because the foofawraw might break if I applied the thingummy."

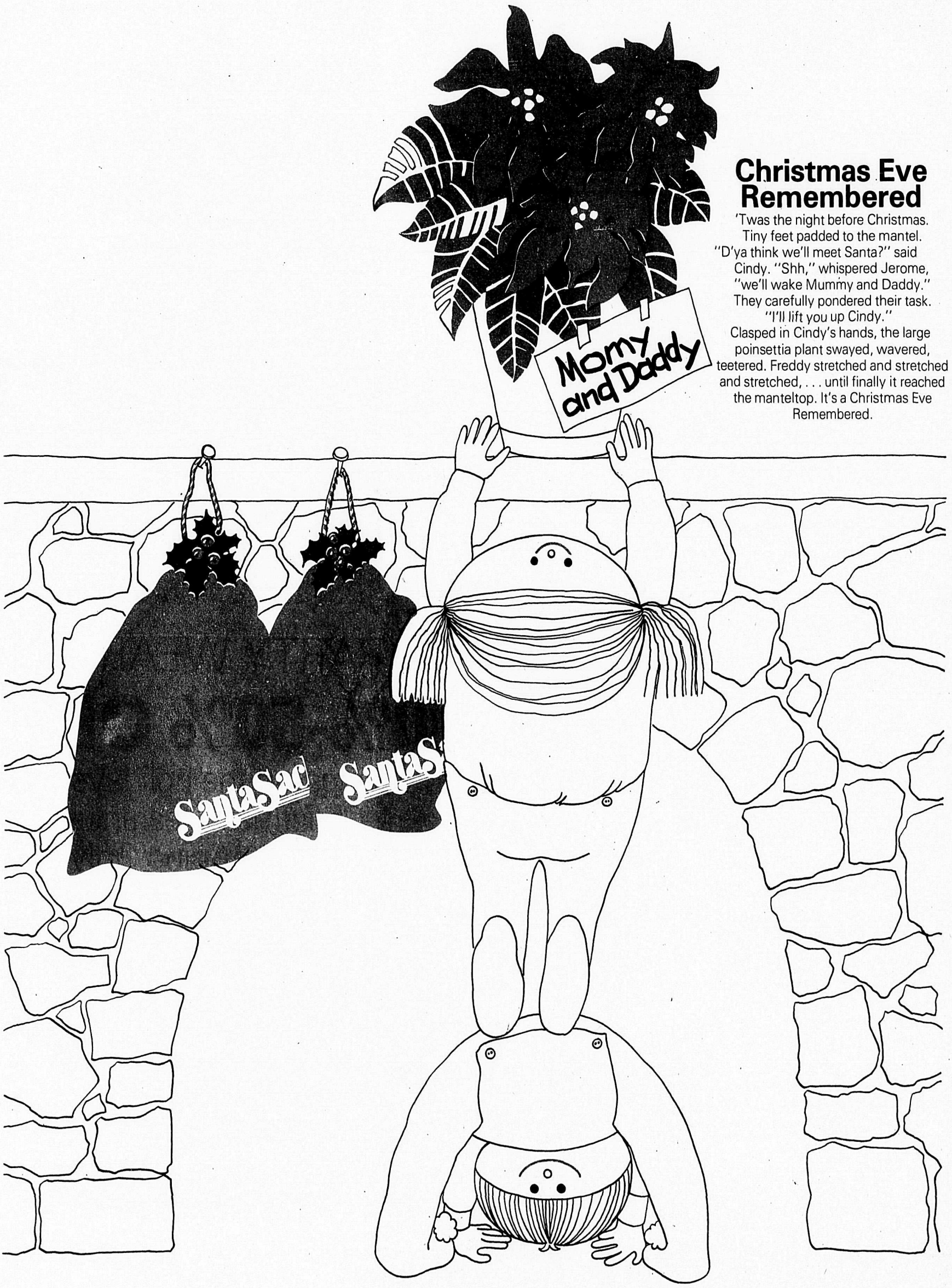
He went on. "If you still have no brakes, you have a problem." I almost expected him to say, "N'est-ce pas?", the question was so ridiculous. "Of course, you could put in a new thanabobs but they are $12 each, plus labor."

Finally, after an hour and a half, we abondoned the thing in the garage and set off on foot with our presents for the kids: a clown suit for Poke, which my wife had labored on with love for two weeks, a bag of apples that weighed 20 pounds, a pair of shoes for Kim, and various miscellaneous articles, all heavy.

We made the bus home by the skin of our teeth, after a hectic half hour with the young 'uns. And Disaster Three struck.

Overcome by the day's vicissitudes, I fell asleep in front of the TV, cigarette in hand, and burned a hole in the couch, a blanket and my stomach. Not to mention my wife's new-found mellowness.

C'est la vie. They come in three.



Christmas Eve Remembered

'Twas the night before Christmas.
Tiny feet padded to the mantel.
"D'ya think we'll meet Santa?" said
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"we'll wake Mummy and Daddy."
They carefully pondered their task.
"I'll lift you up Cindy."
Clasped in Cindy's hands, the large
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