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WEATHER FORECAST
KOOTENAY: Cloudy with a few snowflurries. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low and high at Cranbrook 10 and 25, Crescent Calley and Revelstoke 15 and 30. Sunday outlook—little change.

Truck Plunges Off Ferry, Three Die

Teen-Agers Castlegar Tragedy Victims; 5 Violent Deaths in District During Holidays

Five violent deaths, three of them caused when a truck drove onto the Castlegar ferry, through the guard chain and into Columbia River, marred the Christmas Day holiday in the Kootenays.

Dead in the Castlegar accident are Paul Davidoff, 17, of Pincher Creek, Alta., said by police to have been the driver of the truck; Olga Soukoreff, 16, of Tarrys, and Bonnie Loff, 18, of Glade. Three others were rescued.

A Cranbrook man, Charles Romano, died in hospital from injuries received when the car in which he was a passenger left the road between Cranbrook and Wardner.

A Creston Chinese, Ye Suey Chong, was burned to death in a fire in his shack.

The highway deaths brought to at least 25 the highway fatality total in Kootenay-Boundary in 1952, already the worst year on record.

Rescued from the accident at the Robson ferry slip were Bernard Loff, 16 of Glade; George Kabatkoff, 16 and Mary Abrosimoff, 16, both of Thrums.

RCMP said the truck ran down the ferry ramp apparently out of control, shot across the ferry and broke through the guard chain, plunging into 35 feet of water. The accident occurred about 8:55 p.m. Thursday. Some mechanical defect, it was believed, caused the truck to go out of control.

The teen-agers were enroute to the theatre at Castlegar when the tragedy occurred. Immediately after the accident, RCMP made futile attempts to raise the battered one-ton light delivery truck. The ferry resumed operation when these attempts failed.

Friday noon, a Kimberley diver, Fred McKim with a crew of four freed the mangled bodies of the three teen-agers from the wreckage of the truck. At a depth of 40 feet, McKim ripped open the doors and removed the three bodies. More than 500 Doukhobors lined the shore to watch the tragic recovery of the bodies.

The diver then connected a hook to the submerged truck and the vehicle was towed to the Castlegar side where it was brought to shore and beached. Meanwhile, cars lined up for more than a quarter mile on each side of the road. The diving halted traffic for about two hours and it took another two hours to clear both sides, RCMP reported.

Police said they did not know what caused the accident, but it is believed a mechanical defect may have been the reason. The road surface was in good condition.

Of the dead persons in the Castlegar accident, Olga Violet Soukoreff, whose home was Tarrys, was born in Nelson, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Soukoreff. She is also survived by a brother, Billy.

Paul Davidoff, a student at Pincher Creek High School is survived by his father at Pincher Creek; five brothers, Fred of Crescent Valley, Alex of Vancouver, Mike of Waneta, Nick of Blairmore and Billy of Pincher Creek and one sister Polly also at home.

CRANBROOK — Fatally injured Christmas afternoon when the car in which he was a passenger left the road between here and Wardner, Charles Romano died in the hospital here that night.

He was about 63 years of age, a long-time resident and an employee of the Canadian Pacific Railway maintenance department.

He was travelling with his son Frank Romano at the time of the accident and the son sustained only slight injuries.

Mr. Romano is survived by his wife and several children here.

CRESTON — Fire swept the shack of Ye Suey Chong here Christmas Eve and caused the death of the 70-year-old Chinese.

The fire occurred about 15 minutes after Chong had arrived at his one-roomed shack by taxi. Cause of the blaze was not known Friday.

The outbreak was noticed by neighbors, but the flames spread so quickly as to make rescue attempts vain.

JOSEPH (SPECS) O'KEEFE, 44, has been named by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation as one of the eight masked bandits that robbed Brink's, Inc., of $1,219,000 on Jan. 17, 1950. About $50,000 of the loot was traced to O'Keefe's home in Stoughton, Mass., 20 miles from the scene of the nation's largest cash holdup. The FBI learned of the presence of the money by wire-tapping a telephone conversation between O'Keefe and his wife, Mary.
—Central Press Canadian.

ANOTHER RECIPIENT of a Stalin prize was Paul Robeson, U.S. Negro singer and prominent Communist.
—Central Press Canadian.

12 Violent Deaths Mar B. C. Holiday

VANCOUVER (CP)—Incomplete reports from authorities show at least 12 persons have died violently in British Columbia over the Christmas holiday.

The dead: Janice Ferguson 5, Vancouver; Frank Lever, Vancouver; Marion Morton, 46, Vancouver; Fred Armstrong, 78, Saanich; John Sarzynski, Nanaimo; Andrew Cook, 30, Oliver; Paul Davidoff, 17, Pincher Creek, Alta; Olga Soukoroff, 16, Thrums, B. C.; Bonnie Loff, 18, Glade, B. C.; Charles Romano, 63, Cranbrook; Ye Suey Chong, 70, Creston, and an unidentified man from Trail.

The Ferguson girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Ferguson, was killed when she was struck by a car as she was crossing the street to show a playmate her new Christmas doll.

Lever was burned to death at Campbell River on Vancouver Island when his auto court bed caught fire.

Miss Morton became Vancouver's 69th gassing fatality.

Armstrong was killed in a car accident near Victoria.

Sarzynski was killed when his car ran up an embankment near Ladysmith and rolled over.

Cook died after he was pinned between a ramp and loading machine at Oliver.

Davidoff, Miss Soukoroff and Miss Loff were drowned in 35 feet of water when trapped in a truck which plunged from a ferry.

Romano died when the car in which he was a passenger left the road at Warner.

Ye Suey Chong burned to death in a fire that razed his one-room shack.

An unidentified 45-year-old Trail man was killed on the Hope-Princeton highway when he fell out of the door of the car.

Thirteen deaths in Quebec led the provincial totals. There were 10 in Ontario, 10 in B. C., eight in Alberta and one each in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland.

Five members of one family were killed Christmas night in a level-crossing at Ste. Perpetuf, Que. Dead are Mr. and Mrs. Jean Paul Girard, a brother and sister and their three-year-old son.

In other accidents, an Ontario woman was killed in a fall down stairs, a Quebec boy drowned when he plunged through the ice of the St. Lawrence near Quebec City, and a B. C. resident was burned to death.

Test May Foretell Human Ailments

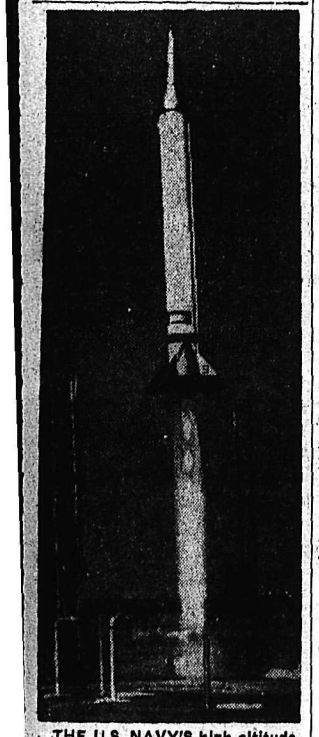
ST. LOUIS (AP) — A kind of "spit test" may some day provide an advance tip-off to the oncoming of certain diseases, the American Association for the Advancement of Science has been told.

Research on human saliva raises hope for an eventual test that would warn of the "very earliest beginnings" of such ills as hardening of the arteries, arthritis, premature aging and dental disease before any discernible symptoms appear, a woman chemist reported Friday.

Dr. Frances Krasnow, director of the Universal Research Laboratories at Newark, N. J., said the research also opens up new possibilities for advancing man's understanding of these still-baffling conditions.

The essence of her report was that certain chemicals which occur in human saliva have an apparent tendency to increase when a person has certain ailments or dental defects. She left the implication that early detection of such an increase, through periodic analysis of saliva, might be a means of foreseeing an ailment.

LONDON (AP) — The Belgrade county court imposed ja sentences Friday on seven persons accused of supplying the Soviet intelligence service with confidential information, and of engaging in propaganda hostile to Yugoslavia.



THE U.S. NAVY'S high altitude research rocket streaks skyward at Las Cruces, New Mexico, to equal the world's record by reaching an altitude of more than 135 miles.
—Central Press Canadian

Sea Conspires to Keep Maplecove Out of Harbor

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Pacific Ocean, at the throat of the freighter Maplecove for more than a week, hurled a final spiteful blow as the lights of Vancouver beckoned to the crippled vessel Friday night.

Canadian Pacific Steamships, the owners of the 10,000-ton Maplecove, said a tricky tide was plotting to keep crew members of the Vancouver freighter away from their families for another night.

The storm-mauled Maplecove drew within sight of Vancouver under tow of the ocean tug Island Sovereign but a company spokesman said rough tide conditions made it impractical for the ship to dock Friday night.

Instead, the Maplecove planned to sit in English Bay, two or three miles from shore, and dock at slack tide likely at about 6 a.m. PST.

Nor can the 62 crew members come ashore in another vessel. Because the Maplecove is inbound from the Orient she is under precautionary quarantine until a doctor has made an inspection and this won't be done until she docks. Quarantine regulations also prevented reporters from visiting the ship.

U.S. Holiday Death Toll Mounts

CHICAGO (AP)—The Christmas holiday traffic death toll in the United States continues to mount, pushing the number of fatalities nearer a grim all-time record.

With two days of the extended holiday remaining, the auto fatality mark reached 320 late Friday night. Other types of accidents took 86 lives, including 40 lost in fires. Violent deaths from all accidents totalled 406.

Traffic fatalities were running well ahead of those for the record four-day holiday — Christmas, 1936, when 555 persons were killed by auto mishaps and 761 from all types of accidents.

Research Probes Practical Uses of Atomic Energy

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — The University of Michigan's Memorial-Phoenix project says it now has under way 54 research studies on peacetime uses of atomic energy.

In the last year the studies disclosed new uses of atomic energy ranging from a new method of distinguishing between cretins babies without thyroid function and mongoloid idiots to new ways to kill trichinosis in pork.

Dr. Ralph A. Sawyer, director of the studies, said Friday in a progress report that a new technique was found by which radioactive iodine is used to measure the thyroid activity of newly-born infants. By this method the cretin can be distinguished from the mongoloid idiot, whose condition is in no way related to thyroid activity. As a result, treatment can be started without delay.

Dr. Sawyer said a study of radiation shows it can be used to kill bacteria to preserve foods, sterilize drugs, change fermentation procedures and other processes.

Feuding Families Are at It Again

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — The Daisy Mountain moonshine feud, which has claimed four lives since 1948, has erupted after an uneasy peace of more than two years.

Police said Cecil Harris, 18, was shot Friday from ambush while walking near his home in the still studded rural area.

He was struck in both legs by heavy shotgun pellets. The bitter fighting which began four years ago has sent several others to hospitals.

Harris is a cousin of Willie Lee Harris, at one time a leader of one of the two warring factions in the community. Henry Ashley, 21, was booked on a charge of felonious assault.

Ashley told police he fired on the Harris youth, but declined to give any details of the incident.

Harris said that Ashley and another man accused him of telling police the location of several corn-liquor stills which police destroyed two months ago.

A Doll for the "Woman of Year"

SANTIAGO (AP) — Chile's "Woman of the Year" got a doll among her prizes—and thought it quite appropriate.

The presentation was made Friday to Damaris Alvarez in the presidential palace.

Damaris was voted the outstanding Chilean woman for a busy year of teaching poor children after attending her own school classes daily.

Damaris is 13 years old.

WITH MANY ARRESTS of rebellious Mau Maus of Britain's Kenya colony, jail facilities have been expanded, but there is still not enough space to house all those in custody. In most villages, extensions to jail facilities are being made, and in the village of Kandara, the extension, shown here, consists of grass-covered circular huts surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by native policemen. British authorities say the rebellion is mostly confined to the Kikuyu tribe, a minority element in Kenya.—Central Press Canadian.

Stalin's Fairytale Of the Season

LONDON (Reuters)—Moscow radio would have you know that American children got no toys this Christmas because Santa Claus was barred entry to the United States as a Communist agent.

The radio, in an English-language program, said Santa failed to satisfy U.S. immigration authorities on two counts. Firstly, he admitted having visited Russia durin, his world travels; secondly, he admitted being a "supporter of peace."

An immigration officer thereupon announced gleefully that he had caught "a spy named Nicholas" who was carrying "peace messages" with him, the radio said.

Santa escaped arrest by nipping quickly into his sleigh and driving off, the broadcast concluded.

Airborne Medical Section Installed

OTTAWA (CP)—The Army says it now has a 70-man medical team trained to land by parachute and set up a complete operating room within five minutes.

It is the medical component of the mobile striking force, the brigade-sized paratroop and airborne formation designed for the defence of Canada. Its name is the 1st Canadian Airborne Medical Section.

The Army says these "Florence Nightingales in khaki" can land in support of assault troops, pockets of cut-off troops, or elsewhere. Its men are trained to fight as infantrymen as well as to drop by parachute and carry out their medical functions.

Within five minutes of landing they can set up two nylon tents as a holding ward and an operating room. They take with them medical supplies, portable stoves and gasoline lanterns.

Court Conducts Closed Hearing in Negro Killing

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP) — Investigation of the Christmas Day killing of a Negro motorist by a policeman has been started at a closed hearing.

There is a possibility that the FBI would be asked to determine whether the federal Civil Rights Act has been violated.

Emmett Jefferson, 30, was killed in the yard of his home by patrolman Paul Minnick after a chase which started after a Negro had forced a woman driver off the road.

Lawyer George Everett charged that the shooting was unnecessary and that the wrong man was slain. He said the woman forced off the road told him "Jefferson was not the man involved."

Minnick was suspended pending the inquiry.

TORONTO (CP) — George S. Shields, 80, former cartoonist with the Toronto Telegram, died Christmas Day.

Mr. Shields, born in Toronto, joined the Telegram staff in 1886 as a printers' devil and retired as cartoonist in 1948. His work was also published in the New York World and the Winnipeg Tribune.

Mother, 4 Kiddies Die in Fire

DESCHENES, Que. (CP) — A mother and her four young children were burned to death when fire Friday night levelled their small bungalow home in this Quebec village five miles West of Ottawa.

Believed fatally burned when fire swept the two-room home were Mrs. Florence Glandon and her children, Suzanne, 10, Claude 7, George 5 and Jacques 3½.

Police said four bodies had been recovered from the ruins two hours after the blaze but positive identification was not immediately possible.

Police, members of the volunteer fire brigade and residents of the village were taking part in a grim search for another body on the basis of the belief that the mother and four of her children were in the house when the fire broke out.

Mrs. Glandon's husband is believed to be with the 25th brigade in Korea.

A fifth child of the Glandon's Richard, 8, was staying with friends at the time of the fire.

Cause of the fire was not known but it spread quickly and it is believed the mother and her children were caught asleep in their beds.

Cardinal Asks Crusade Against Protestants

SEVILLA, Spain (AP) — Pedro Cardinal Segura has called for a "grand crusade" against Protestants whom he accuses of waging a major propaganda campaign throughout Spain.

The fiery Archbishop of Sevilla said Friday he had received reports from all over the country of anti-Catholic pamphlets being distributed by Protestants.

"They (the Protestants) are engendering suspicion against Catholic priests," Segura declared. "They are combatting the fundamental dogmas of our faith."

Children Talk to Sleepy Santa Claus

HULL, Eng. (Reuters) — Thousands of British children rang up Santa Claus Boxing Day—and heard him yawn and say how tired he was after his long travels.

Extra staff have been on duty over the holiday at Hull telephone exchange, which announced recently that children who rang Hull Central 32800 would be put through to Reindeerland.

Callers were answered by a "good fairy" who called Santa. Through the receiver came the sound of snores, and a muffled snort as he awoke, then a yawn.

Santa told his callers how his sleigh got entangled with "Jack's beanstalk" and he was stuck fast till the Fairy Queen released him with a wave of her magic wand.

Allies Continue Raking Red Lines

SEOUL (AP) — United States fighter-bombers rained destruction on Communist supply and front-line positions Friday, blowing up 15 supply dumps with explosions that indicated hits on ammunition.

Sixteen Sabre jets fought 16 MiG jets higher over North Korea, but there were no damage claims.

Allied ground forces knocked back four Red probing attacks along the 155-mile-long front, and sent out a few patrols.

Fighter-bombers also destroyed six gun positions, 10 bunkers near the front, 10 supply shelters and 27 buildings. Other planes hit bridges behind the front and cut rail lines at 16 points.

Carrier-based naval bombers pounded Red targets on the Eastern front near the coast. Warships shelled installations on the East coast.

Pantomimes Brighten Britons' Boxing Day

By GLENNE CURRIE

LONDON (Reuters) — There are a dozen names for the day after Christmas, but in Britain it's "Boxing Day," when John Bull traditionally takes his family to the theatre, the football stadium or the track.

A legal holiday, it's called "Boxing" Day because it used to be the day Christmas "boxes" were given to tradesmen and distributed to the poor.

London's theatreland, deserted Christmas Day, came to life with a bang Friday afternoon. Thousands crammed into the district, but not to see anything as strong as Shakespeare, Shaw or Eugene O'Neill. The big attraction was pantomime — an English mixture of music, gags and s apely girls.

Elsewhere in the country, movie houses and community halls in many places have reverted to playhouses where, for a couple of weeks, second-string pantomime companies dress up old fairy tales in jokes and songs.

This year, Londoners have eight of the 100-odd professional "pantos" being played in Britain. They range from "Humpty Dumpty" and "Beauty and the Beast," and include the inevitable "Peter Pan."

London also has three "mammoth" circuses, three miscellaneous "Christmas shows," two pantomines on ice and a rollicking musical treatment of an old melodrama, "Maria Marten," or "The Murder in the Old Red Barn."

For those with more sophisticated tastes, there are four U.S. musical comedies now playing in London—"Call Me Madam," "South Pacific," "Porgy and Bess" and a revival of "Oklahoma."

There was plenty going on outside, centering around the profession- and amateur football games being played up and down the country.

Other spectator sports included a full card of "over the hurdles" horse racing, and thousands flocked to watch fleet-footed greyhounds chasing mechanical rabbits.

Dec. 26 also is St. Stephen's Day, the traditional "Feast of Stephen" whence, Good King Wenceslas looked out.

Plucky Mother's Life Shortened By Baby's Birth

LOS ANGELES (AP)— Michael Emmanuel Garrett got his chance for life by caesarian surgery which his mother knew would shorten her own life if she survived at all.

Mrs. Jean Garrett, 27, a pretty Hawthorne, Calif., housewife, and her fourth son were reported in satisfactory condition Friday night. The mother was given a blood transfusion immediately after the operation earlier in the day.

Mrs. Garrett is suffering from Hodgkins disease, a cancerous lymphatic ailment which, doctors say, will take her life. But her new son cried lustily at birth.

Just before she was wheeled in for the operation her husband, Thomas, kissed her tenderly. "Hurry back," he said.

"I will," she promised then added: "But if I don't see you again —Happy New Year."

Doctors do not know just how much longer Mrs. Garrett can live, if she recovers from the surgery. But earlier they indicated that she has three months at the most.

While awaiting the baby she was told its birth would shorten her time. She decided unhesitatingly to have it, nonetheless. "If I can have my baby I'll die happy," she said "Death is the least of my worries now."

And so the family went ahead with its plans for a joyous Christmas. Thursday Mrs. Garrett sang Christmas songs and played around the Christmas tree with Thomas Jr., 7, Robert, 3 and Raleigh, 18 months.

Just before she and her husband, an aircraft worker, left for the hospital, she said good night to her children and told the friends who had spent the holiday with her: "This was the best Christmas ever."

Former Times Photo Editor Dies

ATLANTIC CITY (AP)—Charles M. Gaves, 79, who founded what now is Wide World Photos, Inc., while picture editor for the New York Times, died Friday.

A pioneer in rotogravure, Graves was editor of the Sunday picture section of the Times for 26 years. During that time he directed the development of the first practical means of transmitting photographs by telephone wire.

The Times had imported a rotogravure press from Germany, and Graves made wide use of First World War pictures on it to meet increasing American interest in photographic reporting.

He applied news-gathering methods to obtaining pictures and at the same time set up an organization to syndicate the pictures to other papers.

In 1919 he organized and became general manager of Wide World Photos. Inc., formerly known as Times-Wide World Photos. The organization now is a supplemental service of the Associated Press.

Queen Sends Message To All Canadians

OTTAWA (CP) — The Queen sent a message of thanks to the Canadian people for loyal wishes expressed on their behalf by Governor-General Vincent Massey.

In a reply to Mr. Massey's message, the Queen said Thursday:

"I and my husband sincerely thank you for the kind and loyal message which you have sent to us nn behalf of the people of Canada and which we appreciate."

CANADIAN DOLLAR DOWN

NEW YORK (CP) — The Canadian dollar closed 1/32 cent lower at a premium of 3 3/32 per cent in terms of U.S. funds Friday. Pound sterling was unchanged at $2.81.

MONTREAL (CP) — The U.S. dollar Friday closed at a discount of 2 31/32 per cent in terms of Canadian funs, up 1/16 from Wednesday's close. Pound sterling was $2.72⅝, up ⅛.

Bonus Overwhelms Czech Immigrant

TORONTO (CP) — A recent immigrant from Czechoslovakia received the first Christmas bonus of his life this year. But when handed $25 by his employer he at first thought he was fired. When he realized the money was a gift he told his employer he had worked for four months in Czechoslovakia for his board and a pair of shoes.

GIVE AWAY MOUNTAIN PEAK

TOKYO (AP) — The Japanese government has given away the peak of majestic Mt. Fjui. The top one-fifth of the snow-draped mountain will be given to the Sengen Shrine, which is at the summit, provided: The shrine must agree not to sell the land, make a profit on it, or impose restrictions on the use of the area for sports or recreation.

And in This Corner . . .

KITCHENER, Ont. (CP)—Every day in the year will be Christmas for Mrs. George Adamson.

Under Mrs. Adamson's Christmas tree are 364 gifts—each beautifully wrapped and dated. They range from Dec. 26, 1952, to Dec. 24, 1953.

The "one-a-day" gifts were from her husband.

Today's gift contained a bottle of stomach salts.

"Very appropriate," said Mrs. Adamson.

NEW YORK (AP)—Dwight D. Eisenhower seemed to have as much fun with that new electric train as his four-year-old grandson, David.

The 62-year-old president-elect, like many a grown-up, got down on the floor Thursday to play with the kids' Christmas toys.

A spokesman said so many toys were sent by various people to the three Eisenhower grandchildren—an estimated truckload—that it was arranged to turn them over to orphanages.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP)—Bus driver William Wanless staged a Christmas party on wheels for his passengers.

Wanless hung Christmas decorations in his bus and put a p icebox in the rear.

As his passengers stepped aboard he greeted them with "have a drink."

Wanless stayed at the wheel, while his passengers served at waiters and bartenders.

LAST TIMES TODAY — MATINEE AT 2 P.M.

Pioneer, Kaslo Good Citizen Laid to Rest; 57 Years a Resident

KASLO — Mrs. Margaret McQueen, one of Kaslo's best loved pioneer citizens, was laid to rest Friday afternoon, December 26, in the family plot in the IOOF cemetery, Thompson Funeral Home conducting arrangements.

Pallbearers were W. H. Dunn, B. F. Palmer, John McPherson, Roy E. Green, James Gray, all of Kaslo, and Finley Levick of Trail. Thea A. Gibson conducted the Christian Science service at the United Church and also the short graveside services.

Mrs. McQueen was pre-deceased in 1931 by her husband, Alfred, who may be remembered as provincial assessor in this district for approximately 20 years prior to his death.

Mrs. McQueen was voted "the good citizen of Kaslo" by a majority vote of the citizens of Kaslo and presented a "good citizen" award last Spring by W. V. Drayton, president of the Kaslo Board of Trade and Roy E. Grene, mayor of Kaslo.

FIRST FAMILIES

Mrs. McQueen was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald McCallum, one of Kaslo's first families who cut through the woods on Front Street to locate a general merchandise store in 1895. They came to Kaslo during the silver mining rush.

To Archibald McCallum goes the credit of being the first citizen to advocate the growing of apples in Kaslo. In spite of ridicule, he persisted until in 1905 his apples won a prize in the British Government Exposition at Wembley. Many of the beautiful maples which are appreciated by tourists were planted by him. The family still owns the original property selected by him to be the choice waterfront of the town.

SINCE 19

Mrs. McQueen was born in Danville, Quebec, on February 17, 1876, but lived in Kaslo since the age of 19 when she came West with her family. The home in which she died was built by her father in 1897. Mrs. McQueen was the first woman across the Kaslo-Nelson highway when it was first opened.

She is mourned by her son, A. D. McQueen of Montreal, Quebec, who flew home Christmas Day, Mrs. Colin Cameron of Wasa, B.C., Mrs. A. Glenn Smith of Oak Harbor, Washington, and seven grandchildren. A son, Ronald McQueen, died in 1943.

Queen to Make Annual Broadcast From New Zealand, Christmas 1953

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (AP) — The announcement that the Queen and her husband will spend next Christmas in New Zealand gave all New Zealanders a joyous Christmas present.

Prime Minister Sidney Holland announced in a broadcast Thursday that the royal party will arrive in Auckland Dec. 23 aboard the tour ship Gothic. The Queen will make her annual Christmas broadcast next year from government house in Auckland.

Holland said the royal party will visit Dunedin and 20 other towns. The tour provides for two short rest periods.

The party will sail from Bluff on the South Island for Australia Jan. 30, 1954.

Fruitvale CGIT Rites Draw Crowd

FRUITVALE — Testifying to the increasing popularity of the service, a throng attended the Christmas vesper service in St. Paul's United Church of the Senior and Explorer CGIT groups.

Miss Florence Comeau, assisted by Miss Helen Skinner and Miss Thelma Bartlett, of the Seniors, conducted the service. Candle-lighting was conducted by Fay Miller, Lois Duncan, Florence Comeau, Norma Rothwell and Karen Peitzsche. Two Explorer Girls, Lavonne Sucee and Lillian Lewis, took up the offering which goes to the girls' councillor of the World Council of Churches for furtherance of girls' work throughout the world. Mrs. F. Haines, girls' councillor, gave the address.

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TONIGHT

EAGLE HALL

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Musial Holds '52 Slugging Record

NEW YORK (AP)—Stan Musial had another title under his belt today with the release of the final set of official National League statistics for 1952.

The St. Louis Cardinals' stalwart compiled the highest slugging percentage for the sixth straight year. His average last season, .538, was somewhat under par for the outfielder-first baseman who holds the NL slugging record of .579.

Associated Press tabulations released last October also had Musial the National League's slugging leader with an identical .538 figure.

Hank Sauer of Chicago Cubs was second with a .531 average.

Rookie Eddie Mathews of the Boston Braves struck out the most times, 115.

Solly Hemus, St. Louis, was hit most often by pitched balls, 20.

Brooklyn's Roy Campanella grounded into the most double plays, 22.

Two World Records Broken in Regatta

MIAMI BEACH (AP)—Two world speedboat records were set as the Orange Bowl regatta got under way Friday with time trials over a mile course.

Mrs. Ruby J. Scull, a Ventnor, N.J., housewife and mother of two children, boosted her own record for 48-cubic-inch inboard runabouts by nearly two miles an hour.

She established a new mark of 62.302 miles an hour. She set the old record of 60.708 miles an hour Aug. 3.

Tommy Hagood, Orlando, Fla., held the B stock outboard hydroplane mark for several minutes after his F-26 was clocked at 55.804 miles an hour.

Then the honor was wrested from him by Wally Wakem, Palm Beach, Fla., who scudded over the measured mile in both directions for an average speed of 55.945.

The former stock hydro record was 53.321.

Coast Team Play to Overseas Troops

IN KOREA (CP)—A Vancouver singer and accordion team entertained Canadian troops in Korea on Christmas Day.

Loraine Richards and Nels C. Karleen sang and played for the troops in gun battery positions and echelons not far from the front lines. They made at least eight scheduled appearances between swift jeep rides and received rousing receptions everywhere.

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New Denver Colorful, Lively for Yuletide

NEW DENVER — New Denver, brightly lit for the holiday season, has had a gay round of pre-Christmas and Christmas activities.

The volunteer fire brigade erected a large decorated Christmas tree in the centre of Sixth Street, and evergreen trees in front of the Slocan Community Hospital and at other points have been decked with lights.

These, along with decorations at business places and household decorations, have made the setting for one of New Denver's brightest Yuletide scenes.

Forty-six children ranging in age from 12 years to two and a half months flocked to a Christmas supper party given by the Ladies' Auxiliary to New Denver Branch of the Canadian Legion. The youngest was Dennis Noland of New Denver; the eldest, Marjorie Buckham of Sandon.

Mrs. T. R. Buckham of Sandon made place cards of ginger bread men, engraved with the name of each child. Games and singing took place around a gay Christmas tree, and Santa presented each child with a gift and a bag of candies, nuts and oranges. Twelve women assisted the committee of Mrs. Andrew Schnaebele, Mrs. P. J. McCrory and Mrs. Les Noland.

YULE CONCERT

One of the town's finest Christmas concerts was presented by the elementary school, with L. R. Campbell as chairman. After the variety program, Santa Claus presented gifts and treats to all children in Grades VI and under, and to all pre-school children, acting for the New Denver Parent-Teacher Association.

Students and teachers of the Lucerne junior-senior high school ended this half of the school year with a short concert under the chairmanship of Reg Broughton, assisted by other members of the student council. After an exchange of gifts, the council presented gifts to the teachers, bus driver and maintenance engineer.

Turner Memorial United Church was packed for a Christmas service by candle light, featuring a choir of 22 members with Mrs. Campbell as organist and leader, assisted by Dr. R. Godfrey. A Ferguson of Nakusp conducted the service, and was presented with a gift by Mrs. G. H. Croy in appreciation of his assistance to Rev. D. R. Stone.

A lively program was presented by the pupils of Knox Presbyterian Church Sunday school at its annual children's service. Parents and friends of the youngsters attended the event.

The program, under the chairmanship of Miss Sachi Uchida, included recitations, carols and group presentations. Gifts were presented to A. D. MacKellar, and to Miss Uchida, who leaves early in the new year for Japan to start missionary work. The Ladies' Aid remembered the teachers.

Repeater Stations Into Fernie Improve Telephone Long Distance

B.C. Telephone Company has increased its long distance facilities to Prairie and Eastern Canada points by 50 per cent with the opening of a new $2,000,000 "carrier" system.

Biggest development of its kind in B.C. since war's end, the project involved pole-line construction over the 83-mile Hope-Princeton highway and erection of a chain of "repeater" stations stretching from Vancouver to Fernie.

The B.C. project was part of a Dominion-wide long distance program featuring the use of "carrier" equipment which makes it possible to obtain as many as 22 circuits from a single pair of wires.

In announcing completion of the $2,000,000 project, the company also stated that it had increased long distance facilities between B.C. and the United States by 25 per cent with the installation of a similar system between Vancouver and Seattle.

Both developments are expected to improve traffic conditions substantially on calls to the Prairies, Eastern Canada and the U.S. over the Christmas holiday period.

"Repeater" stations on the B.C. section of the new trans-Canada system are spaced at intervals of about 50 miles. They are located at Mission, Hope, Manning Park, Princeton, Keremeos, Bridesville, Grand Forks, Tadanac, Nelson, Sirdar, Yahk, Mayook and Fernie.

The use of "carrier" equipment makes it possible to transmit telephone, conversations on different frequencies along the wires.

Honest Man May Be Robbers' Tool

BOSTON (AP)—Unconfirmed reports said Friday the $1,219,000 loot from the Brink's robbery of Jan. 17, 1950, may have been placed in safe deposit boxes in various banks by a respectable Boston man acting as a "front" for the robbers.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation refuses to comment on the report of how the loot was hidden after the daring early-evening robbery, but three Boston papers reported Friday a lawyer was chosen by the gang to secrete the cash.

The reports said the gang's plan called for the lawyer to hire some 40 safe deposit boxes in banks throughout the country.

The newspapers said the lawyer's identity has been known to investigators for some time, and added he is expected to be brought in for questioning in a few days.

A grand jury investigating the Brink's robbery recessed last Monday, and is scheduled to resume next Monday.

The reports continued that the FBI has traced $236,500 of the Brink's cash to some of the vaults and that about $30,000 of the loot was used to buy Government bonds.

The FBI shrugs off questions relating to the Brink's robbery investigation with a curt "No comment."

480-Ton German Boat Feared Total Loss

BREMERHAVEN (Reuters) — A 480-ton German trawler with 20 fishermen aboard is feared lost off the West coast of Iceland, shipping authorities here said Friday.

The vessel, the M. Ebeling of Bremerhaven, has been missing since Tuesday when she sent out an SOS after being nearly swamped during a heavy weekend storm. A four-day search by ships and planes has yielded no trace of the trawler.

One search vessel sighted fishing equipment floating near where the M. Ebeling was feared to have sunk.

New Denver Dance Aids March of Dimes

NEW DENVER — All the proceeds from a dance sponsored here by a local orchestra went to the March of Dimes in aid of the Crippled Children's Hospital.

A total of $139 was collected from ticket sales and door receipts. Members of the orchestra had canvassed the town selling tickets.

BERLIN (AP) — A group of 57 North Koreans arrived Friday in the Russian Zone of Germany for three-year studies at universities and technical colleges, the official East Zone news agency ADN reported.

CAROL SERVICE HELD

BOSWELL — A community carol service was conducted in the Memorial Hall by Rev. E. R. Hope of Creston. The congregation sang all the familiar and favorite carols.

FINED $300 AFTER BEASLEY ACCIDENT

A man was fined $300 and $6.50 costs when he pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while his ability was impaired with alcohol. Stipendiary Magistrate William Evans levied the fine against William N. Kinakin of Vallican.

The charge arose as the result of an accident Tuesday night when a truck driven by Kinakin collided with an oncoming auto. Driver of the car was H. A. Stainton of Nelson. The accident occurred at Beasley on the Southern Trans Provincial Highway about 7 o'clock.

The Weather

Synopsis: Variable cloud covered the province Friday. Afternoon temperatures were in the 40s along the cost. In the Interior they ranged from 10 in the North to 32 in the Southern Okanagan.

A Pacific storm developing West of the Oregon coast will move northward along the B.C. coast on Saturday. It will bring rain to most coastal points and snowflurries to the Western Interior. Unsettled weather will prevail in the Western half of B.C. Sunday in wake of this storm. Little change in the weather over the Eastern part of the province is expected during the weekend.

NELSON (Thurs.)	23	33	—
(Friday)	22	28	—
St. Johns	30	38	.97
Ottawa	27	33	.05
Winnipeg	-3	0	.01
Medicine Hat	10	28	—
Lethbridge	28	37	—
Calgary	14	38	—
Edmonton	8	27	—
Kamloops	14	29	—
Penticton	21	32	—
Vancouver	33	42	—
Victoria	39	46	—
Kimberley	12	18	.02
Crescent Valley	8	25	Tr
Prince Rupert	37	44	—
Prince George	-1	11	—
Spokane	16	24	Tr
Whitehorse	20	26	—

Woman Claims to Be "Grandma" Robber

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP)—A well-dressed woman, arrested while trying to rob a bank with a toy pistol broke down under police questioning and admitted she is Los Angeles' "grandma" robber.

Police Chief Neil Anderson said Wednesday the woman, who identified herself as Ethel Aata, 52, stated she robbed two Los Angeles banks in recent weeks.

Grandma—so called because she was elderly, sweet-faced and wore glasses and a shawl while pulling her jobs—is believed to have netted nearly $4000 in three robberies.

219 DEPORTEES

PUSAN (Reuters) — Two hundred and nineteen South Koreans deported from Japan arrived here Friday aboard a Japanese ship. Since the outbreak of the Korean war in 1950 more than 3000 South Koreans have been deported from Japan, most of them for illegal entry.

A FORMER Nelson and New Denver resident, Lionel William Sells, above, died recently in Victoria. He was active in community affairs including campaign work in Nelson before leaving here a few years ago.

A. E. Lashmar Takes Over Sheet Metal Shop

A. E. (Bert) Lashmar has taken over the metal shop of Kootenay Plumbing and Heating Company Ltd. Mr. Lashmar, who came here from Victoria about three months ago, was in the same business at the Island city.

Beginning January 1, Mr. Lashmar will conduct a general sheet metal business under the name of Kootenay Sheet Metal, occupying the same premises at 351 Baker Street.

His wife and son have also moved to Nelson and will make their home here.

Whooping Cranes Near Extinction

By JOE WING

NEW YORK (AP) — The whooping crane has taken another step towards extinction.

An aerial census of the last living members of this tribe, which are North American's tallest birds, at their Winter home in the Aransas naitonal wild life refuge on the coast of Texas tallied just 22 of them—one less than last year. To this total add two for the pair of captive birds at the zoo in New Orleans. There is the possibility also that a few individuals were overlooked.

Reporting the census by the U.S. fish and wildlife service, John H. Baker, president of the National Audubon Society said:

"Each year it becomes increasingly apparent that illegal hunting is a factor in reducing the numbers of the whooping crane and increasing the threat of their extinction."

At least two of the great birds were slain this year by hunters on the migration route from Northern Canada to Texas. One, picked up in Saskatchewan, died en route by plane to Texas. The other was killed in Kansas.

The total of 24 compares with 15 in the low ebb year of 1939 and 36 at the subsequent peak in 1949. Hope exists therefore that the cranes can make still another comeback.

To do this they must suffer less molestation, and they must raise more young. Only two youngsters have been identified this year at Aransas.

To counteract molestation by hunters, the Audubon society plans to intensify its educational efforts next Spring.

To help the birds raise more young, there is hope that they can soon be studied on their breeding grounds. The exact location of this nesting area has been the object of widespread search for several years. It may have been spotted last Summer in the Great Slave lake region of Northern Canada. At least, a couple of the birds were seen thr and further searches will be made.

Sitter Climbs Down, 196 Days Aloft

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — William (Happy) Howard, 34, has climbed down from a flagpole-sitting record of 196 days.

Howard, a carnival performer, said after his descent Thursday that the old flagpole-sitting record was 152 days, set in San Francisco last year by Emma Leach of Eugene, Ore.

Howard started his pole-sitting at nearby Washougal, Wash., Juoki. It was decided to bring him here, and he was moved, while remaining aloft after a section of the flagpole was cut off and transported by truck.

RABIES QUARANTINE ON NORTHERN DOGS

OTTAWA—An outbreak of rabies in northern Canada has brought a federal government ban on all movement of dogs out of designated area and an order that all dogs be confined. Only permission from proper authorities will allow the movement of dogs.

The areas designated in the order issued by Dr. J. G. Taggart, deputy minister of agriculture, includes the portions of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba lying North of the 55th parallel.

Only sled dogs will be allowed to move inside the area and care must be taken that they do not run at large.

Dynamiters Wreck Smoke Eaters 6-Game Win Run With 3-2 Triumph

TRAIL — A Boxing Day crowd saw Kimberley Dynamiters win their first 1952-53 game on Trail ice — a 3-2 victory over Trail Smoke Eaters.

The surprise victory snapped a Trail win streak at six games. It was a sort of see-saw, ding-dong battle right up until the final period when both clubs turned on the steam to close in thrilling fashion.

Dynamiters come on to Nelson to tae on Nelson Maple Leafs in a Saturday evening WIHL event at Civic Centre Arena.

Spence Tatchell's shot late in the second to put Kimberley ahead 1-0 was the spark that touched off the sparkling third period.

Tatch's shot hit the ice, then bounced high over John Sofiak's shoulder.

Smokies came out of the dressing room set for action. And they poured it on to the extent that within five minutes they had squared the count and gone one goal up. Both teams fought hard, but it was Kimberley's Bell, assisted by McNiven and Barre, and then McNiven from Lamb who put the game on ice for the mountain men.

Lineups:

TRAIL — Goal, Sofiak; defence, Hamilton, Sinclair, Cook, Corrado; forwards, Turik, Bursaw, Cavanaugh, Rypien, Shabaga, Mailey, Kromm.

KIMBERLEY — Goal, McLay; defence, Jones, Johnston, Sutherland, Yost; forwards, Banting, Hocley, Mellor, Kavanagh, Bell, McNiven, Mellor, Lamb, Barre, Larter, Tatchell.

First period—no score.

Penalties, Cook.

Second Period — 1, Kimberley, Yost (Kavanagh) 18:49.

Penalties—Cook, Bell, Mailey.

Third Period—2, Trail, Young (Cavanaugh) 2:32; 3, Trail, Cook (Bersaw, Rypien) 4:50; 4, Kimberley, Bell (McNiven, Barre) 10:02; 5, Kimberley, McNiven (Lamb) 15:02.

Penalties—Bell.

FACING PHOBIAS SERIES SUBJECT

Beginning Sunday evening, Rev. Allan Dixon will preach a series of evening sermons on the topic: "What Are You Afraid Of?" This is a subject suggested some time ago by a radio listener. We are all aware of at least a few, and perhaps several "phobias" in our everyday experience.

What are the various "fears" that beset modern man, what are their causes, their consequences, and in what manner can man best cope with these "evil spirits" that dog his footsteps? These are some of the questions which will be discussed in the evening messages.

7-Year Nelson Resident Dies

Mrs. Mary Sawyer, resident of Nelson for the past seven years, died at Kootenay Lake General Hospital following a lengthy illness Friday morning.

Mrs. Sawyer was born in Cork, Ireland, and was 82. She came to Canada in April, 1940, to reside for three years in Zeballos and then in Vancouver another three years before coming to Nelson to live with her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Hamilton, 809 Cottonwood Street.

Besides her daughter, she is survived by one grandson, Brian, and one great granddaughter, Leigh, both of Kimberley.

No Freedom for 274 Liberate Crew Members

NEW YORK (CP)—While their shipmates celebrated Christmas in gaily-bedecked New York, 272 crew members of the French liner Liberte had to remain aboard ship.

They spent Christmas Day quietly after partaking of roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

The trimmings included oysters, fish, salad, cheese cake, olives, white and red wines and cigars.

All but two of the 272 are refused permission to go ashore because they refused to answer questions under the new law regarding possible past connections with communism. One was barred because he admitted having been a Communist and the other because he was an ex-convict.

HOCKEY SCORES

By The Canadian Press

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Wednesday
Montreal 0, Toronto 2
Thursday
New York 2, Boston 1
Chicago 3, Detroit 3
QUEBEC SENIOR
Quebec 0, Chicoutimi 5
Sherbrooke 4, Montreal 3
THUNDER BAY SENIOR
Fort William Beavers 9, Port Arthur Bearcats 4
THUNDER BAY JUNIOR
Fort William Hurricanes 4, Fort William Canadiens 2
MARITIME MAJOR
Halifax 5, Charlottetown 2
Glace Bay 2, Sydney 4
NEW BRUNSWICK SENIOR
Moncton 5, Saint John 6
OHA SENIOR
Owen Sound 4, Chatham 2
Kitchener 0, Brantford 3
OHA JUNIOR
Windsor 5, Guelph 2
NORTHERN ONTARIO SENIOR
S.S. Marie, Mich., 1, Sudbury 8

North California Snowbound Again

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (AP)—Another traffic halting snow storm struck the Northern California-Southern Oregon area Friday night.

The California highway patrol was stopping northbound highway traffic at Dunsmuir. Southbound highway traffic was being halted at Yreka, Calif., on Highway 97.

The storm was reported centred between Weed and Mt. Shasta in Northern California.

The Southern Pacific said its trains still were operating but that snowplows were in constant use in the storm area.

CANTERBURY, England (CP)—Custard apple seeds planted here produced a fruit that is puzzling experts. Cross-pollination by bees has resulted in a flavor combining that of apple, pear and quince.

Certain kinds of seaweed are used for food in the Orient and in Hawaii.

West Germany to Cooperate With All Free Peoples

BONN (AP)—President Theodor Heuss has assured the Western high commissioners in a holiday message that West Germans "are determined to continue on the road of economic, political and cultural cooperation with all free peoples."

"The German people are determined to promote supra-national unification with their European neighbors and thereby realize their fondest wish — the unification of their own country in peace and freedom within the framework of a free and united Europe," he said.

Heuss replied to a Christmas and New Year's message from the high commissioners of Britain, the United States and France.

They had expressed the hope that West Germany would soon ratify her peace contract with the Big Three and the European Defence Community Pact, under which the republic would raise 500,000 soldiers for a proposed six-country army.

The U.S. high commissioner, Walter J. Donnelly, is retiring Dec. 31. Allied sources said Chancellor Konrad Adenauer has appealed to president-elect Eisenhower to appoint a strong new commissioner as soon as possible.

Coleman Drubs Coal Kings 12-2

NATAL—Playing their first game away from home in the Alberta-British Columbia intermediate hockey league, the Natal-Michel Coal Kings suffered a 12-2 trimming at the hands of the power-laden Coleman Grands played in the Pass town over the weekend.

The game was never in doubt after the first period as the less experienced Natal-Michel team, suffering from lack of practice due to lack of ice at the new Natal arena, found the Grads' defence a tough nut to crack.

The opening home game will be on Jan. 4, when Cranbrook visits Natal-Michel. The Coleman Grads lead the newly formed Alberta- B.C. intermediate league with two one-sided wins, the first being 11-2 win over Creston. The only practice the Natal Michel team to date has been at the Bellevue arena.

Kai-shek Lashes Out At "Free Countries"

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—President Chiang Kai-shek has assailed the countries of the free world which, he charged, "kicked us while we were down, encouraged the enemy to knock us out, and rejoiced at our defeat."

Chiang made no direct reference to the United States white paper which in July, 1950, virtually wrote off the Nationalists under Chiang and conceded victory in the Chinese civil war to the Communists. But he evidently had it in mind.

He spoke Thursday at an annual meeting of members of the general assembly.

Mother Sees Child Through Glass Wall

DENVER (CP) — Mrs. Theresa Wilson's Christmas present was a look at her 30-month-old daughter. It was only the second time she had seen the child.

The 24-year-old mother sat in a wheel chair and saw Mary Theresa through the glass wall of her hospital room. The young mother has tuberculosis, and must spend at least 23½ hours of every day in an oxygen tent.

The little girl was flown to her mother's bedside from Brooklyn with funds raised through the Rocky Mountain News.

Brrr, Brrr . . .

VICTORIA (CP) — They went swimming in cold and frosty Victoria Christmas Day.

The freezing experience was Victoria's 33rd annual swimming race. This year there were 11 contestants.

Nonchalant winner of the race, Fred Atherly of the Provincial Swimming Club, mentioned that the water was far warmer than outside.

A good crowd shivered through the performance in 35-degree temperatures.

Ray Larson, 29, Once of Nelson, Killed at Coast

A former Nelson man, Ray A. Larson, was killed at Vancouver Tuesday when his car careened through the guard rails of a bridge to plunge 50 feet straight down. Larson died en route to hospital.

Mr. Larson was well known in Nelson and district where he lived for some years. At one time he was employed by the Hudson's Bay Company before taking over a Baker Street coffee shop. Later he became an insurance salesman, travelling throughout the district.

The car, going East on Marine Drive, struck the railing of the bridge, dragging a portion of the rails for 37 feet before careening to the opposite side, tearing away another 45 feet before leaving the bridge. A 1950 model, the car was totally demolished.

Mr. Larson was born in Chauvin, Alberta, and lived in Nelson about five years before moving to the Coast about two years ago. He was employed by the Morrison-Knudsen Company at Marpole.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Larson, also formerly of Nelson, live at New Westminster. A brother, Russell, also lives at the Coast.

Boys Ruin Kiddies' Delight

To The Editor:

Sir: The meanest person in town went down Front Street Christmas Eve. In front of Bennie's Grocery a stuffed Santa had stood for a week to give pleasure and delight to every youngster for blocks around. A lot of work went into the making of Santa and his red plastic suit. But Christmas Eve some boys came along and tore off poor Santa's arm and left his paper stuffing exposed to the saddened and shocked eyes of all who passed by on Christmas Day. Not being satisfied with tearing off his arm, the vandals took it along and on their way back up town they stopped again to finish the mutilation begun earlier. They tried to steal Santa bodily but his maker had him fastened into the ground and they were scared away but not before he was torn and broken.

Why do some people have to try to destroy everything when others work hard to try to brighten this old world?

The maker of Santa had been asked, "Aren't you afraid someone will steal him?" but she answered: "Oh, no one could be that mean!"

"SHATTERED FAITH"

Natal Show Awaits Weatherman's Nod

NATAL — Final arrangements have been completed, pending the weatherman's approval, for the Canadian Ice Fantasy of 1953 show, slated for the new arena here Monday. The ice show includes 20 big acts. Starring will be Miss Gloria Dawn, Hollywood television skater; Miss Vyonne Page, Canadian gold medallist of Winnipeg; Bobby Hill, rodeo, circus and ice comedian, of Missoula, Mont.; Joyce McFarlane and Iris Peebles, the twin twirling sensations of Vancouver; Roy Krieger, male feature with the Barbara Ann Scott show of Kenora, Ont.; Frances Shirley, Ontario's "Sweetheart on Skates," of Windsor; the Flying Wendt's, from Ringling, Barnum and Bailey Circus, of Greenville, South Carolina; Marie Sluardson, ballet style interpretations, of Kenora, Ont.; Olive Stevens, Manitoba Senior Club champion, and other skaters from other parts of Canada. The local presentation is being sponsored by the Natal-Michel Community Society.

TWO DIE OF HEART ATTACKS

SHADYSIDE, O. (AP) — Peter Schramm, 80, collapsed on a street here Christmas night and lay dying, apparently of a heart attack. Charles Boyd, 32, saw Schramm collapse and ran to his aid. Suddenly Boyd, too, was stricken by a heart attack. Both men died.

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Honor Guard at Rushton Rites

NAKUSP — A throng attended the funeral of the late Frank Rushton, old-timer and former business man of Nakusp, held in Legion hall here Tuesday afternoon.

The body which lay in the Anglican Church all day Monday, with a guard of honor of four veterans, was still guarded. Legion branch and Auxiliary members attended in a body, and Legion colors and flag were presented and withdrawn.

Rev. Thomas Mitchell, vicar of St. Mar's Church, conducted the service, and read from the 39th Psalm. The Lesson was taken from the 15th chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians.

"We are gathered together to pay our last respects to an individual, ambitious to push forth aims and ideals of the community," Mr. Mitchell said. Through the Board of Trade he had striven to see Nakusp grow and develop. Even after he had left here he sent suggestions.

"As a returned veteran he deserved our honor and gratitude. We ow our returned men a great deal more than we show. We pay homage and thanksgiving and respect and in the dignity and fellowship of the church we take the service with affection in our hearts and faith and trust in God, and lay his mortal remains in Nakusp cemetery.

"In St. Mark's Church he had always been there to help in the work. We are uniting once again to say goodby in the best way we know how."

Hymns sung were "Abide With Me," "Fight the Good Fight" and "Nunc Dimittis."

After the ceremony, the Legion and Auxiliary members followed the hearse to the cemetery, where after the commitment by Mr. Mitchell, the Legion burial service was held. J. W. Bailey gave the "Last Post."

Bylaws Set Up For Fruitvale

FRUITVALE — Fruitvale's new commission is busy setting machinery in motion for this newly-incorporated village.

First and second readings have been given to a bylaw setting official meeting nights of the board at the first and third Monday of each month.

The commission has also given first reading to a trade license bylaw. Further meetings are being held to pass these bylaws and draw up other bylaws, particularly on village planning and sidewalks.

Chairman Jule Lewis has reported that a check for $1530 has been received as Fruitvale's share of the three per cetn sales tax revenue recently distributed by Victoria.

He also announced that the commission had been officially notified that roads, other than secondary highways lying within the village, would be the responsibility of the commissioners. The provincial public works department will continue to do the work until such time as the village secures its own equipment, charging the village with the costs of maintenance.

Reports Given to Slocan Teachers

SLOCAN CITY — A report by John Clarkson on progress of salary negotiations, and an account by Fred Tessman of the activities of the B.C. Teachers' Federation Kootenay District Council, were given at the December meeting of the Slocan Valley Teachers' Association in Legion hall here.

Mrs. Albert Thiessen of Crescent Valley played the piano for rousing rounds of Christmas carols and for dancing. Refreshments were provided and served by members from New Denver.

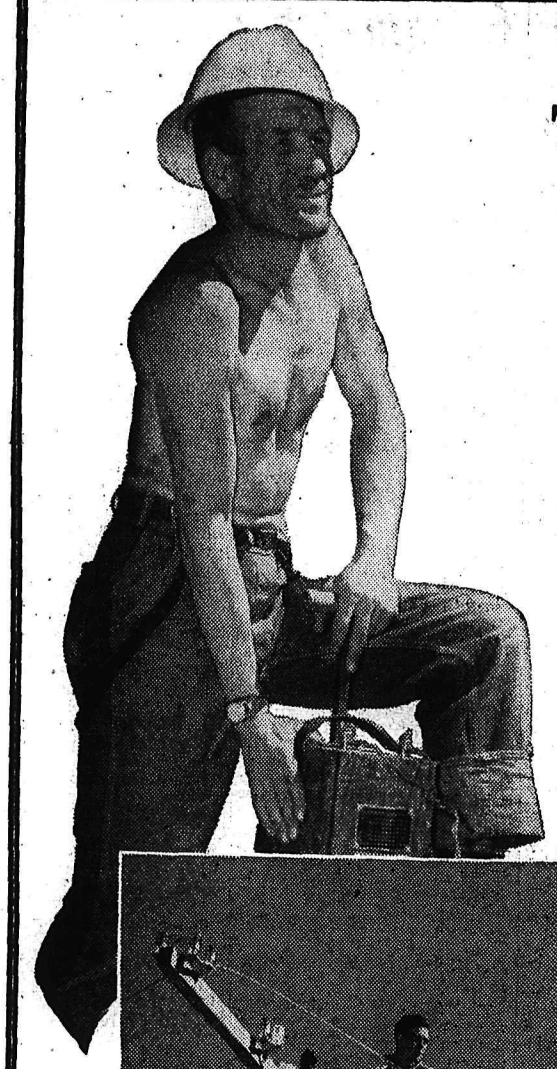
Sirdar Man's Father Passes at Vancouver

SIRDAR — Lloyd Wright, CPR operator, has received word of the sudden death of his father in Vancouver.

Mr. Wright's father and mother were here on holiday for two weeks in October.

Young Woman Faces 156 Charges

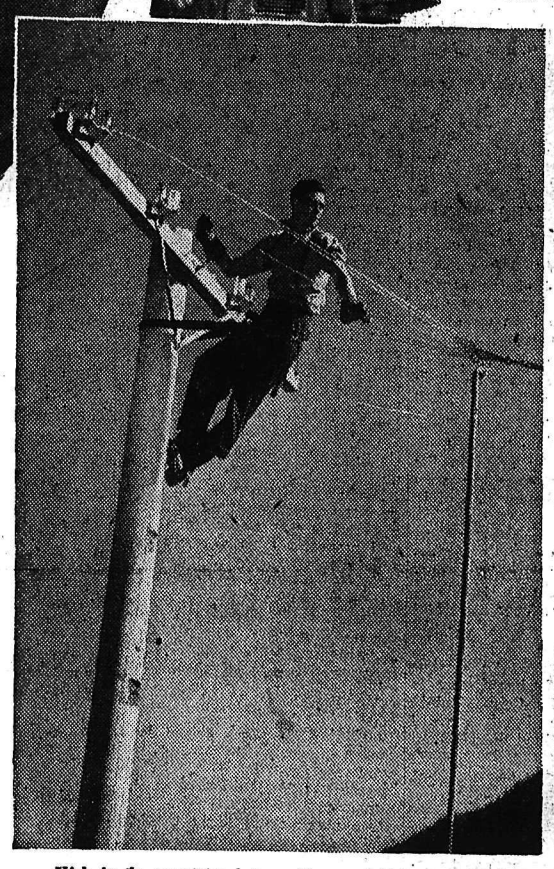
TORONTO (CP)—Police said Friday 22-year-old Patricia Ambrose, arrested in a department store here Wednesday, faces 156 charges of false pretenses, involving more than $1000, over a three-year period. Police said she used a different name and credit card number each time.



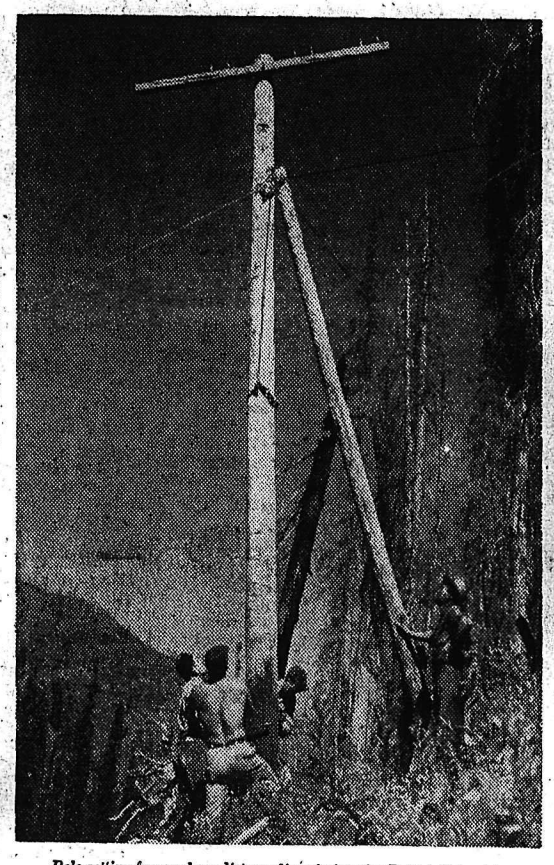
Telephone Expansion Program Includes

MORE LONG DISTANCE CIRCUITS!

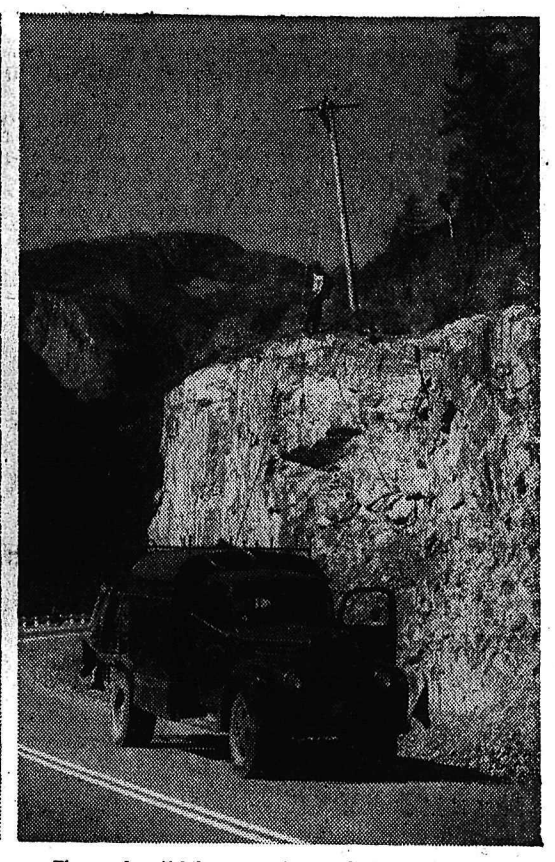
Setting poles for new long distance lines is not always a case of just digging holes. Over some of B.C.'s rougher country the holes must be blasted out of solid rock.



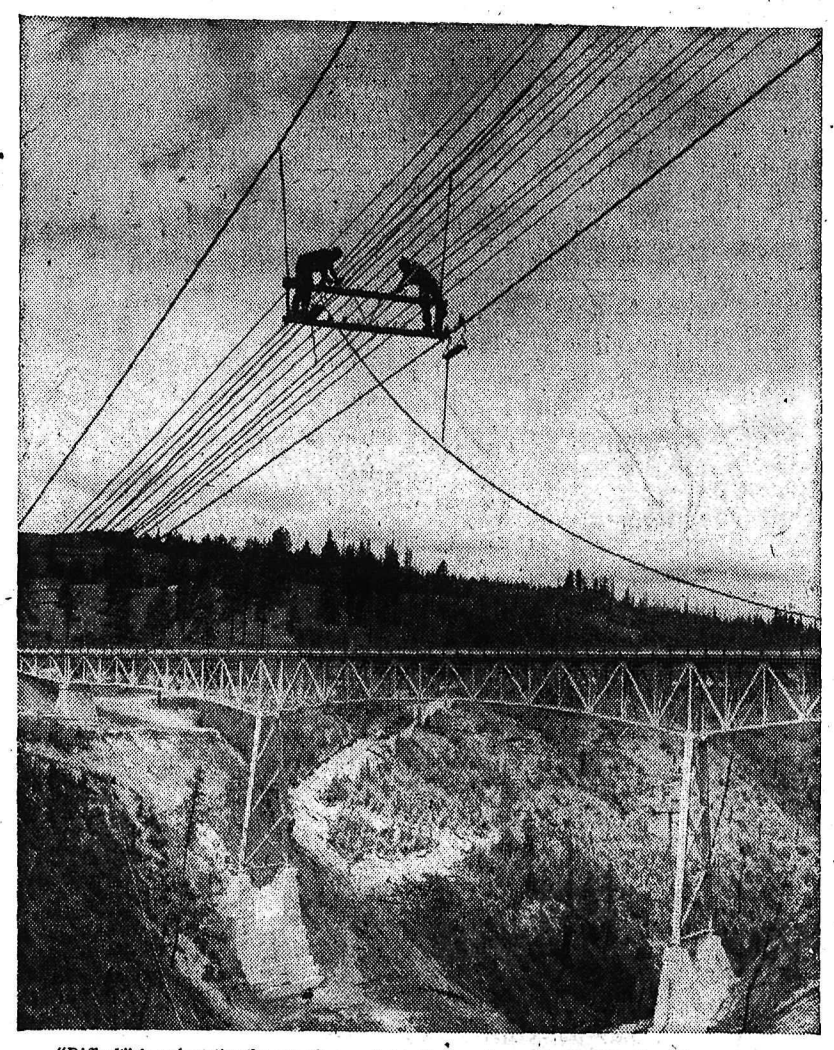
High in the mountains between Hope and Princeton a B.C. Telephone Company lineman tightens up newly-strung wire for additional long distance circuits between British Columbia and the Prairies and Eastern Canada.



Pole-setting for new long distance lines in interior British Columbia is back-breaking work despite the use of modern machinery. Here a telephone company ground crew uses a "gin" pole to set a new pole on a high bank in the Hope-Princeton country.



The more beautiful the scenery, the more difficult the work when building new long distance telephone lines through B.C.'s mountains. But the telephone lineman wins out over rock and cliff as new copper voice highways are built through rugged terrain in the interior of the province.



"Difficult" is understating the case when applied to the hazardous work of building long distance circuits through British Columbia's mountain country. A "daring-young-man-on-the-flying-trapeze" act is performed here by fearless members of the B.C. Telephone Company's Construction Department as they string new Nelson-Penticton circuits over Rock Creek Canyon at Bridesville.

A vitally-important and continuing phase of the B.C. Telephone Company's big expansion program is the addition of many long distance circuits to provide more talking highways between points in British Columbia and between B.C. and the Prairies, Eastern Canada and the United States.

In fact, in the past seven years the company has spent well over $6,000,000 on outside long distance plant alone—with more in the planning stage. This figure does not include expenditures on long distance switchboard and other associated central office apparatus.

Much of this long distance expansion is being realized by the installation of complex "carrier" equipment which in some cases enables us to obtain as many as 22 voice highways from a single pair of wires! For local service, only one conversation can be carried on a pair of wires as carrier circuits would be too expensive for such short distances.

The use of certain types of "carrier" equipment has made it possible for us to increase facilities between B.C. and Prairie and Eastern Canada points by approximately 50 percent. This particular "carrier" project required the construction of a new, 83-mile pole line between Hope and Princeton and the erection of a chain of "repeater" stations between Vancouver and Fernie.

BRITISH COLUMBIA TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Season's Greetings To Canadian Troops

By BILL BOSS
Canadian Press Staff Writer

IN KOREA (CP) — Season's greetings which piled up at brigade headquarters were issued to Canadian troops at Christmas.

Among them were greetings from Defence Minister Claxton; Lieut.-Gen. G. G. Simonds, Chief of the General Staff; and Archbishop Maurice Roy of Quebec, Roman Catholic Ordinary of the Canadian forces.

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First thoroughly clean and sand with fine sandpaper or fine steel wool. Clean with solvent after sanding. Apply a filler which has been thinned out to varnish consistency, allow it to dry until gummy, then wipe off the excess filler and allow the rest to dry. Sandpaper again, wash with solvent and apply stain.

Oil stains should be used on soft woods and penetrating stains on hard woods. Penetrating stains will turn soft woods black. Use several thin coats of stain to achieve the desired color rather than one thick coat. Allow to dry completely before applying varnish.

Apply the varnish with long, even strokes and brush it enough to get a smooth coat with no bubbles. Start in the centre and work to the elges. Let varnish dry—this may take at least two days.

Brush the varnished surface with fine steel wool or sandpaper to remove the high gloss and roughness but use care to avoid scratching the surface. Wash well with solvent and dry. Apply two more coats of varnish, sandpapering and washing between the second and third coats. The final coat should be rubbed with powdered pumice and oil and then cleaned well. Polish with wax or a good grade of furniture polish.

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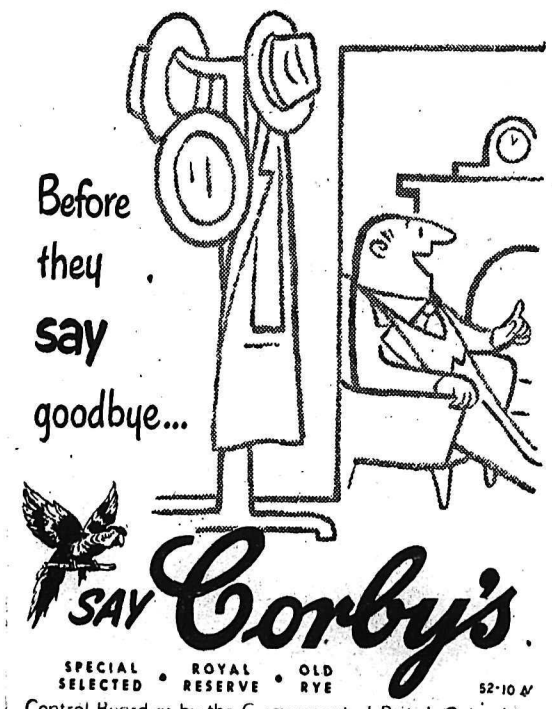

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Another Housing Project for Prince George

PRINCE GEORGE—Extension of the city's already record-breaking building boom into next year was seen in the announcement by Canadian Legion of plans for two veterans' housing projects.

The plans would make use of the Veterans' Land Act and would take care of 45 families. Land for 18 units has been acquired a short distance out of town. Each unit would require 1.6 acres.

When Replacing A Bad Brick . . .

Now and then you find a brick in a wall or chimney that has gone bad—maybe it has cracked or maybe it's just slowly falling apart. In a case of this sort the brick should be replaced. This should not prove too difficult.

The faulty brick can be removed by chipping out the mortar around it with a hammer and a cold chisel. An old screwdriver will do. Once you are rid of the mortar, the brick can be worked out or broken up and removed in pieces.

Clean out the cavity in the wall with your cold chisel so a new brick the same size as the one removed will fit. Dust out any loose particles of brick and mortar. The next thing to do is to dampen the surfaces of the cavity.

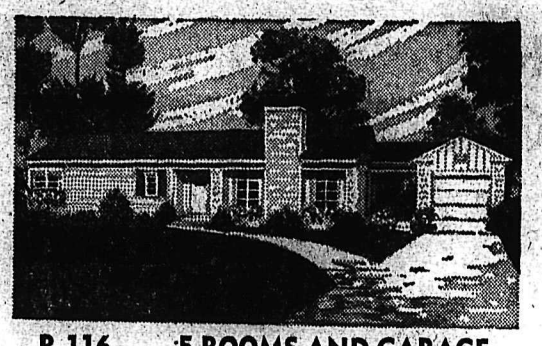
Before the new brick goes in, it should be soaked in water for a few minutes. This helps produce a good bond with the mortar. The mortar used for cementing in the brick is made with one part Portland-cement and three parts sand. Mix these together thoroughly and add sufficient water to produce a workable plastic. Spread about half an inch of mortar along the bottom of the cavity and the same amount along the top of the brick. Force the brick into the opening, and then work mortar in at the two ends until you can't get any more in. You don't find leaky, brick walls when all the joints are packed tightly with mortar. When all are filled, finish off the joint with a trowel in the same manner as the other mortar joints. If you spill any mortar on the other bricks, flush it off with plenty of fresh water before it has an opportunity to soak in and harden on them.

Chicago Accidents Set Grim Pace

CHICAGO (AP)—Holiday accidents set a grim pace of one death every 17 minutes in the first 28 hours of the Christmas season in the U.S.

Traffic fatalities mounted to 193, a death rate that would shatter all-time records if the trend continued during the long holiday period.

Fires took the lives of 19 persons and 25 others died in various other accidents. The toll of violent deaths reached 237 at 11 p.m. EST.



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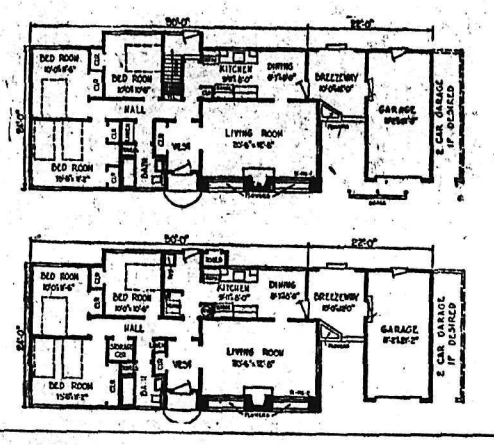

9100 More Homes Built in 1952

OTTAWA (CP) — More Canadians are building homes this year than in 1951.

In the first 10 months of this year 71,850 homes were started compared with 62,564 in the corresponding period of 1951.

Statistics, contained in a report issued Friday by the bureau of statistics, showed that starts in October totalled 9810 compared with 4977 in the corresponding month of last year. The increase in October was the fifth in a row.

While more houses were started, fewer were completed in the 10-month period. The completions totalied 56,295 compared with 65,969. In October, they were 9510 compared with 8164.

The carryover of uncompleted dwellings in various stages of construction at the end of October was 59,334 compared with 55,180.

MORTGAGES EASIER

The bureau gave no reason for the increase in the number of new houses started this year. However, government housing officials have stated that it has been easier in recent months to obtain mortgage money and labor. Materials are plentiful.

The flow of mortgage money increased following an increase in the rate of interest allowed under the National Housing Act.

Since the end of the Second World War, approximately 450,000 houses have been completed in Canada.

A total of 48,470 were completed in 1945; 67,194 in 1946; 79,231 in 1947; 81,243 in 1948; 91,655 in 1949; 91,754 in 1950 and 84,810 in 1951.

FEWER B. C. STARTS

Houses started by areas in the first 10 months of this year, with the comparative figures for 1951 in brackets:

Ontario 25,937 (24,753); Quebec 22,344 (19,103); Prairie Provinces 13,214 (10,193); British Columbia 6115 (5135); Maritime Provinces 2828 (2336); Newfoundland 1412 (1044).

Completions:

Ontario 21,885 (26,111); Quebec 16,269 (21,068); Prairie provinces 9198 (9550); British Columbia 5531 (5626); Maritime Provinces 2530 (1830); Newfoundland 882 (784).

Edmonton Busy Planning Homes

EDMONTON — This city's 1953 building program already is under consideration and current estimates indicate that at least 2000 houses will be erected by contractors and private builders at a cost of $20,000,000.

Civic officials are at present busy preparing subdivisions for necessary engineering surveys prior to placing them on the market.

Already one subdivision has been put on the market and ready sale of lots indicates that contractors are preparing to get at the 1953 program as soon as weather conditions warrant in the New Year.

It is anticipated there will be a switch to erection of more apartment blocks in Edmonton next year and this in the opinion of civic officials will decrease the home building program by at least 500 units for the 2500 started this year to 2000.

$6,000,000 Housing Project for Calgary

CALGARY — Stanley Vineburg, Montreal realtor who proposes to build 750 apartments in a $6,000,000 housing project in Spruce Cliffs, has indicated to Mayor D. H. Mackay that the hopes to start construction on 400 of the units in 1953.

GUARD AGAINST ICY SIDEWALKS

Snow and ice have always been something of a concern to homeowners.

You can take most of the slipperiness out of ice by covering it with sand or ashes. You can melt it away by covering it with a mixture of rock salt and sand or calcium chloride and sand. The same treatment goes for snow. Ice that collectes along the eaves can be melted by scattering some rock salt around. A collection of ice and snow along the edge of the roof may cause it to leak, or tear loose some of the shingles, so get rid of it one way or the other.

Shovelling snow is easier if a little wax or paraffin is rubbed on the shovel blade to prevent snow from sticking.

Ontario Police to Interview Seguin

TORONTO (CP) — Provincial police said Friday an officer will probably leave next week for British Columbia to discuss with officials there whether Henri Seguin, wanted in the slaying of an Ontario busines man, will be returned to Ontario for trial on a charge of murder.

Inspector Robert Wannell will leave for Williams Lake where Seguin is being held on charges of attempted murder and armed robbery.

Police charge Seguin wounded a bank manager in the hip while attempting a holdup. He was arrested Dec. 16 in a blaze of police gunfire.

Seguin is also wanted to face a charge of murder in the Aug. 16 shooting of Leonard Hurd of Maxville, Ont.

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SERVICES MAJOR PROBLEM . . .

Few Suitable City Lots Available for Home Builders

City owned lots, suitable for home building are few and far between. In a survey of possible building sites within city of Nelson boundaries, few were found adaptable to house construction. Of 77 lots owned by the city of Nelson, about 20 are suitable for construction providing for fewer than 10 homes.

During the last few years, City Clerk C.W.R. Harper said, "Scores of lots have been sold" for home building. The city prices of lots compare favorably with privately owned saleable land in and surrounding Nelson proper.

In the 600 block on Vernon Street (below the concrete wall) 10 of the city's lots are located in the No. 1 fire zone, an unsuitable home building site. However, it is adaptable for apartment construction.

Two lots on Front Street and Pine require a $250 sewer extension. This cost would have to be shouldered by the purchaser. On the corner of Chatham and Front Streets, six lots, ranging in assessed value from $80 to $270, are some of the city's best for building sites. These six lots are suitable for the construction of two homes. Another site is a two-lot property on Sixth Street. Assessed at $90 and $100, about $300 additional cost is required for water extension to the premises. Five lots are obtainable on Fifth Street asessed at $150 to $270 and six lots on Fourth Street are not choice properties, but are adaptable for home building.

These lots are of 30-foot frontage with varied depths and two would be required for the construction of a home, because of the varied land allowance requirements on either side of the building.

Other lots owned by the city offer a number of problems which would prove costly to the home-building in making the properties adaptable for construction. Five lots on Park Street, require a considerable amount of work before water can be conducted to the premises and the sewer requires an easement.

By far the most frequent problem in making these available lots suitable building site, is the servicing problem, a difficulty which must be overcome before building permit can be obtained. A number of lots on Slocan Street require septic tanks. Four lots on Sixth Street, assessed at $300 per lot, require an $800 sewer job. This raises the cost per lot to about $500.

On Mill Street, nine lots, literally standing on end, have little value to the home builder..... value to the home builder. However it has been pointed out, several homes in the vicinity of Nelson have been "tacked" onto the side of a mountain.

Other lots require extensive sewer easements and some are without this service enterily.

The City of Nelson has no standing policy in the sale of these lots, but no sale is made for less than the assessed value of the property. Any property purchaser must also pay costs of laying the service to the property.

Kitimat Plans 330 Houses

VANCOUVER—A definite start will be made next Summer on construction of houses at Kitimat, it was announced by officials of the Aluminum Company of Canada Limited.

While policy on how they will be built is still being formulated, these officials state private builders will be welcome to compete. The company, early this year commissioned two Vancouver architectural firms to prepare designs for 330-house housing units at the upcoast location.

The dwellings planned include single family, duplex and multiple units.

Production from the aluminum smelter is scheduled for the middle of 1954. It is estimated initial output will support a town of about 7000 population.

Statistics Show Home Building Up

OTTAWA (CP)—A steady successive monthly increase in the number of new houses started in Canada was reported Friday by the Bureau of Statistics.

The number started in October totalled 9810 compared with 8529 in September, and 4977 in October of 1951.

The cumulative total of starts for the first 10 months of this year was 71,850, compared with 62,564.

The number of houses completed in October was 9510, compared with 8819 in September and 8164 in October, 1951. In all other months completions have been lower than in the corresponding period last year.

In the 10-month period, completions totalled 56,295, compared with 65,969.

Famous World Actor Dies, Aged 85

LONDON (AP) — Lyn Harding, 85, Edwardian actor who specialized in heavy melodrama and Shakespearian roles, died in hospital Friday. His first stage appearance was at the Theatre Royal in Bristol in 1890.

Harding, his Christian names, David Llewellyn, to "Lyn," also became known as the outstanding villain of the English-speaking stage.

A prodigious worker, he made extensive world tours. He boasted he had played in every legitimate theatre in London. He was a favorite of King Edward VII, who occasionally visited him back stage.

He made many appearances in the United States from 1911 onwards. In 1928 he played "Macbeth," which re for 7½ months at the Knickerbocker theatre in New York. His last appearance on the stage here was in a wartime revival of "Chu Chin Chow."

Harding was born in Wales, son of a farmer who regarded the theatre an evil institution and tried to persuade Lyn to be a clergyman.

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Recipes . . . .

Easy Dishes at End of Office Worker's Day

By MARGARET CARR

Have you had a busy day? Were you late leaving the office? Is time at a premium? Whether it's lunch, supper or a late evening snack, you're hungry now and want to eat soon! On with your apron and heat the oven while you mix the corn bread that gives this unusual rarebit real character. This is a good use for leftover corn bread, too, but toast it first.

Gem of the year is the recipe for Corn Bread that makes just one pan of corn sticks or a small corn bread—just right to satisfy two hungry people! If you prefer corn sticks, pour your batter into a hot greased corn stick pan and bake in a hot oven (425 deg. F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes about seven corn sticks.

Here's the menu we suggest for your busy day pick-up:

Vegetable Soup
Corn Bread Rarebit
Pickles and Olives
Fruit-in-Hand
Cookies Milk

YANKEE CORN BREAD

½ cup Yellow Corn Meal
½ cup sifted enriched flour
2 tablespoons sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 egg
½ cup milk
2 tablespoons shortening, soft.

Sift dry ingredients into small mixing bowl. Add egg, milk and shortening. Beat with a rotary egg beater until smooth, about one minute. Do not overheat. Pour batter into a greased eight-inch round cake pan and bake in a hot oven (425 deg. F.) 20 to 25 minutes.

CHEESE SAUCE

¼ lb. sharp processed cheese
¼ cup milk
1 tablespoon minced onion
1 tablespoon catsup
1 small can whole mushrooms (2 oz. size)

Heat cheese and milk together in double boiler, stirring until smooth. Add onion, catsup and drained mushrooms.

Serve Cheese Sauce over hot corn bread wedges. Garnish with pimento or slice stuffed olives.

MUSHROOM SAUCE

1 11-oz. can condensed cream of mushroom soup
¼ cup milk

Combine the above ingredients in the top of double boiler. Heat, stirring occasionally until cheese is melted and rarebit is smooth. This is wonderful on waffles and can be stretched to serve three people—that is, if appetites aren't too hearty!

Mrs. Dodds Again Salmo WI Head

SALMO — A full slate of officers was returned at the annual meeting of the Salmo Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. James Hearn.

Mrs. James Dodds was re-elected president, Mrs. Clifford Hearn vice-president; Mrs. Scribner, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Smith Curwen and Mrs. W. Taylor, directors, and Mrs. Ed Hearn and Mrs. W. Taylor, auditors.

A donation of $20 was sent to the Kootenay Society for Handicapped Children.

Blind tag day receipts were $81.

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Kaslo WI Looks Back On Record-Setting Year

KASLO — An extremely active year was reviewed by Mrs. F. W. Speirs, president, at the annual meeting of Kaslo and District Women's Institute in city hall.

Mrs. Speirs was reelected president and members named Mrs. T. R. Allen, vice-president; Mrs. H. Carlson, secretary, and Mrs. A. Morton, Mrs. George Sutherland and Mrs. J. Tonkin, directors. Conveners are Mrs. T. Saalfeld, industries and agriculture; Mrs. Sutherland, handicrafts; Mrs. Tonkin, home economics; Mrs. M. Whittaker, social welfare and Mrs. M. McQueen, citizenship.

The president's report showed that 11 meetings had been held with an average attendance of 18. Meetings were held in homes of members and friends. The first work of the Institute was to finish knitting socks for the solarium. Work was then started on an applique quilt which was completed during the Summer and entered in the West Kootenay Exhibition.

"Adelaide Hoodless Day" was commemorated at the home of Mrs. M. McQueen.

Delegates were appointed to the District conference held at Crawford Bay and to the biennial conference held in Vancouver, both of whom brought back interesting reports. A successful cancer fund drive was held. The Kaslo water pollution problem was discussed.

A donation was subscribed to the Dr. Shimo-Takahara memorial, and earlier in the year paint was supplied for the redecoration of the Hartin ward in the Victorian Hospital. A donation was made to the KRA to help augment its funds. Two wool blankets were donated to a burned-out family.

SUCCESSFUL SHOW

The annual flower show proved to be one of the most successful in years, with a greater display of flowers and financial returns that topped all other W. I. flower shows held.

In September, many charitable organizations were remembered. Donations were made to groups including the children's hospital, the solarium, the Salvation Army and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

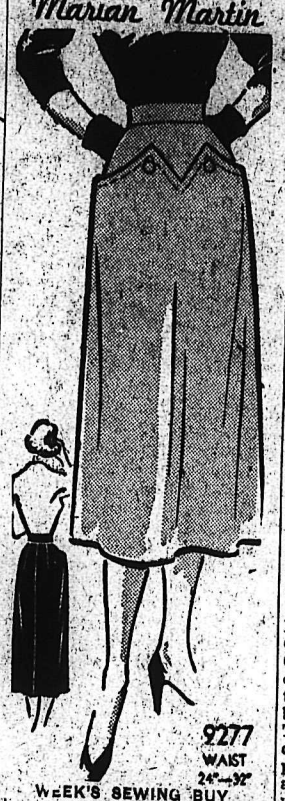
EXHIBITION WINNERS

Exhibits in handicraft and cooking were entered in the West Kootenay Exhibition for the third year, and for the third time in succession won first prize, which entitled the Kaslo WI to the Marshall trophy permanently.

Each member contributed to the World Conference of Women's Institutes to be held in Toronto; gifts were sent to Mount St. Francis Infirmary at Nelson, to be distributed at Christmas time; the WI pledged support to the Diamond Jubilee Association here.

A wreath was placed at the cenotaph and a donation passed to the Kootenay Society for Handicapped Children. Christmas cards were sent to all absent members, the sick, aged and shut-ins. A gift was also sent to a handicapped girl and a new immigrant family was given a comforter. The Institute also joined the Consumers Association, feeling that the purchase price of some items could be improved. Dresses made by disabled children in Moose Jaw were purchased.

Dress Up With Marian Martin



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Santa Busy Man At Fruitvale

FRUITVALE — Santa made many calls through the valley before Christmas, making the children happy.

He visited the Legion hall where the children of the Gospel Hour Sunday school were being entertained by their teachers and singing carols. He left a gift and a bag of treats with each child.

One night, Santa had two calls to make. He called first at the United Church hall where the pupils of the United Church Sunday school had presented for the enjoyment of their parents and friends, an interesting and varied program. He left a gift and treats with each child, leaving some extras for those sick at home. His other call was the parish hall where the pupils in the St. John's Anglican Church entertained their audience with carols, recitations and skits. Archdeacon B. A. Resker assisted in the program.

Another night two parties were held in the Legion hall and the Catholic Women's League held its Christmas party for all the children of the parish, which was well attended in spite of a sudden outbreak of measles in the district. The gathering also gave an official welcome to the new resident priest, Rev. Father E. A. Frank, and at the same time bade farewell to Rev. Father Ulric Ell.

At the Fruitvale Gospel Church the congregation held an evening of Christmas carols and a short program for the children and at the close Santa appeared and presented each child with a small gift and a bag of candy.

BOSWELL PARTY A HUGE SUCCESS

BOSWELL — Scarcely a child between Sanca, Boswell and LaFrance was absent from the Boswell community Christmas tree party held under auspices of the Boswell Women's Club in the hall.

After a supper, parents and friends of the children joined the party. Christmas games were played under the direction of Mrs. Lawson Hepher and several assistants, and carols were sung.

Santa Claus presented all the guests with gifts and bags of candy, nuts and fruit.

Vets' Children at Gay Fruitvale Party

Ladies' Auxiliary of the Fruitvale Legion branch held to which the Legion branch held its annual children's Christmas party for veterans' families, to which the visit of Santa climaxed the fun.

A short program of carols, recitations and a Scottish dance by Claudia Grieve preceded Santa's visit. Guitar solos by Colin Rogers were also features of the program, along with a trio by Ellen, Phyllis and Richard Higgins and solo by Claudia Grieve. Mrs. F. Pietzsche, Mrs. C. Rogers, Mrs. J. Lewis, Mrs. G. Grieve and Mrs. W. Grieve arranged the entertainment, and Mrs. G. MacKenzie and Mrs. J. Findlay assisted Santa in giving out bags of treats for the children.

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Program Presented By Sirdar Students

SIRDAR — A Christmas entertainment was given at Sirdar school. Mr. Welch and his 13 pupils received the parents and friends. Instead of the usual play, carol singing was presented, using a piano the school has recently acquired.

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10:00 a.m.—Sunday School—Juniors and Seniors
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
Subject: "FORCED DECISIONS"
(Beginners, Nursery and Primary)
2:00 p.m.—Harrop
2:30 p.m.—Boys' Choir at Mount St. Francis Infirmary
3:00 p.m.—Procter
7:30 p.m.—Evening Vespers
Handel's Oratorio—"THE MESSIAH"
(Books of Boys' Choir on Display)

Trinity United Church

Josephine and Silica Streets
MINISTER: REV. ALLAN DIXON, B.A., B.D.
Organist and Music Director: Mrs. C. W. Tyler

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—"WHAT DID YOU GET FOR CHRISTMAS?" (Broadcast over CKLN).
7:30 p.m.—"WHAT IS THERE TO BE AFRAID OF?" (First in a series on "FEARS", their origin, cure, etc.)

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8:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION
9:45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 a.m.—MORNING PRAYER
7:00 p.m.—WILLOW POINT—CAROL SERVICE
7:30 p.m.—CAROL SERVICE — NELSON

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11:00 a.m.—Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship

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11:00 a.m.—"THE INCARNATION OF JESUS"
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship
WEDNESDAY —
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
THURSDAY —
9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.—Day of Prayer
FRIDAY —
7:00 p.m.—Junior League
8:00 p.m.—Young Peoples'

News of the Day

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FUNERAL NOTICE

SAWYER — Funeral services for the late Mrs. Mary Sawyer will be held from the Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Fairview, Monday at 2 p.m. Interment will be in Nelson Memorial Park.

CANTERBURY, England (CP) — Ruins of the bomb-wrecked 16th-century Church of St. George here will be demolished and used for construction of new roads. Only the church tower, designated as an ancient monument, will be retained.

100 GET TREATS AT LISTER PARTY

LISTER — The annual Christmas concert of Lister-Huscroft young people attracted a capacity crowd to Deer Lodge hall.

Nearly 25 boys and girls took part in the hour and a half long program, which featured a quiz contest, songs, recitations, instrumental and vocal numbers and a bathing beauty contest staged by high school boys. Candy was distributed to 100 children by Santa Claus.

The Badminton Club sponsored the affair, which was followed by a supper and dance, and the Lister-Huscroft Women's Institute provided the candy for the youngsters. music, Shirley and Dawn Huscroft supervised the concert, and Robert Gillis was chairman.

Officers Nominated By Fruitvale Group

FRUITVALE — Nominations for officers for 1953 were received at a meeting of the Mothers' Auxiliary to the Scouts and Guides in the parish hall. Mrs. Fred Tull is again running as president, Mrs. C. Rogers as vice-president, Mrs. T. Anderson as secretary, and Mrs. B. Bailey and Mrs. F. Plested are seeking the treasurer's post.

The centre of a Christmas party was a brightly-lit tree surrounded with gifts which members exchanged. Bingo was played, and prizes awarded.

South Slocan

SOUTH SLOCAN—T. Labelle of Vancouver made a stop-over visit with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. Garrett enroute to Creston to visit his mother and other relatives.

Miss Joyce Bland and Bob Bland have arived from Vancouver to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bland.

READ THE CLASSIFIED DAILY

Fruitvale Teen Club Gives Yule Party

FRUITVALE — The Happy Teens Club organized in October, entertained parents and friends at a Christmas party in the Legion hall. The party was arranged and chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. James McClure, Jr.

Square dances called by Mr. Maxwell and the modern dances were all enjoyed by young and old. Music was supplied by Ross Grieve of Erie, Miss Joyce Veysey and Vince Campbell. Winning couple for a spot waltz was Miss Ida Grieve and Ernie Vyse.

The club also held a Christmas party at the McClure home and enjoyed games and dancing and exchanged gifts.

Yule Party Held By Fruitvale Club

FRUITVALE — Mrs. Louis DeBruyn was hostess to members of the Circle Bridge Club for their annual Christmas party and games.

There were two tables of bridge in play, Mrs. D. Shorting and Mrs. M. Dilling being the top scorers. During the party and exchange of Christmas gifts, Mrs. T. Anderson, club secretary, presented Mrs. D. Shorting and Mrs. W. Duncan with a birthday gift, and sent a birthday gift to an absent member, Mrs. F. Peitzsche.

The first overland journey around the world was made by Sir George Simpson, Canadian statesman and explorer, in 1841.

Church of the Redeemer

(Anglican)
FAIRVIEW
CANON W. J. SILVERWOOD
A.K.C., B.Ss., Vicar

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
3:30 p.m.—South Slocan.

Bethel Tabernacle

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708 Baker Street
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SUNDAY:
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Devotional Service.
4:00-4:15 p.m.—Bethel Fireside Hour.
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 31st:
10:30 p.m.—Watch Night Service

First Baptist Church

Cottonwood and Fourth
REV. THEO. T. GIBSON, B.A.

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
"DON'T TAKE DOWN THE STAR!"
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
"YEAR END MUSINGS"

Wed., 8:30 p.m. to Midnight — Informal Get-Together at the Pastor's Home.

First Church of Christ Scientist

A Branch of the Mother Church The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

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Sunday Service — 11:00 a.m.
SUBJECT —
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Lieutenant O. M. Ford

SUNDAY:
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Holiness Meeting.
7:30 p.m.—Salvation Meeting.

WEDNESDAY:
7:00 p.m.—Band Practice.
8:00 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.

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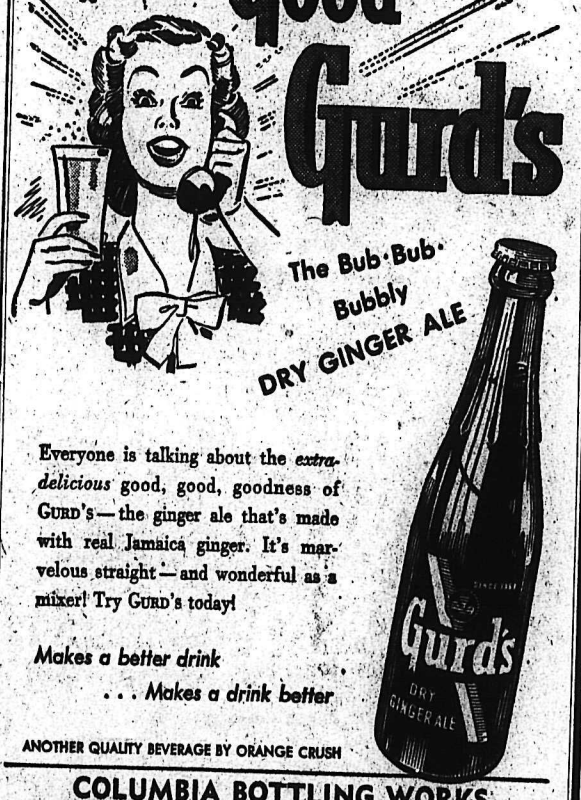

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Vernon, January 8
Kelowna, January 9 and 10
Trail, January 12 and 13
Nelson, January 14 and 15
Cranbrook, January 16
Blairmore, January 17

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The Car's Place in Our Lives an Essential One

Thousands of interviews in all areas of Canada reveal that about 3½ million adult Canadians, or about 40 per cent of the total adult population, use a car on any given day. It was found that another 3½ million adults use a car at least once during the week, but not every day.

British Columbia has the highest car riding percentages of the regions tested: 46 out of every 100 adults. The other areas in order: Ontario, 45.2 per cent; Prairies, 40.9 per cent; Maritimes, 27.7 per cent; Quebec, 22.1 per cent.

A study of usage by occupational groups showed that six out of 10 professional people use a car every day; salesmen come next with 58 out of 100; other groups in order: Clerical, 47 per cent; skilled workers, 44 per cent; farmers, 41 per cent; semi-skilled, 39 per cent; service workers, 30 per cent; housewives, 27 per cent; others, 31 per cent. An important fact revealed is that 27 out of every 100 housewives use a car every day of the week.

It was found that car users were almost evenly divided percentagewise between urban dwellers and rural residents. The proportion of men to women who use cars is in the ratio of 44 to 28.

Figures for recent years reveal that registration of cars and trucks in Canada in 1941 amounted to 1,557,080. In 1951 the total had grown to 2,783,277. In 1915 there were only 533 trucks in Canada; in 1951 there were 688,352.

An outstanding conclusion of the report is that 83 per cent of car use on an average day is for essential travel of one kind or another. Cars, it was found, are used more than any other means in going to work. More than six of every 10 employed persons use a motor vehicle of some kind to reach their place of employment.

Sixty-five of every 100 miles of car travel are directly connected with how Canadians earn their living. This is 14 per cent higher than is the case in the U.S.A.

Only a little over 16 miles out of every 100 driven can be called non-essential, according to the investigators. In this class they place going to the movies, going to a ball game, and visiting.

All these figures should bolster the conclusion that the family car has come to fit into the social and economic life of our growing nation in an essential way. Further, they provide a real argument in the fight against present excessive taxation and licensing of automobiles.

Try and Stop Me

When historic Daniel Boone was celebrating his 90th birthday, the staff artist of a St. Louis paper asked him: "What with tracking the wilderness without a compass and all, didn't you ever get lost?"

"I can't say I ever got lost," said Boone slowly, "but I was mighty bewildered once for three days."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters may be published over a nom de plume, but the actual signature of the writer must be given to the Editor as evidence of good faith. Anonymous letters go in the waste paper basket.

Attention to Vallican Roads Wins Thanks

To the Editor:

Sir—Most of us who travel the highways and byways of this Slocan Valley have been so full of grouches at the general conditions of the roads these last few months that we would like to stop a moment for a word of praise to our Vallican roads, always sanded and graded. To our new road man, Mr. J. Burns, we say, "Keep up the good work, Jimmy." We, the Vallican people, appreciate you.

MRS. ALLAN MOULD.

Vallican, B. C.

The World by Wisdom

Many centuries ago a wise man wrote: "The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath He established the heavens. By His knowledge the deeps are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew." (Proverbs 3:19-20).

At this season of the year, dwellers in the Kootenays often find this "dew" mentioned by King Solomon to be made of more tangible stuff, and may regard it as something of a nuisance. But those people whose livelihood depends upon water power know that there are indeed "hidden treasures" in the snow. However, electrical energy derived from melting snows is a modern convenience. Long before, from the time when God made the earth suitable for habitation, all living things have depended upon the moisture, and the varying climate of days and of seasons for their ability to live and grow.

Many relationships enter into the delicate balance of things that make life at all possible on this planet. The daily rotation of the earth on its axis gives us our days and nights, while the earth's annual trip around the sun provides us with years. Science has discovered the laws that govern the earth's motion around the sun; but why the earth spins on its axis is still a mystery. The slightest change in either one of these motions would greatly alter our manner of life, or might even make life as we know it impossible. There is no known law that tells us why the earth spins in 24 hours. All the other planets have different rates of spin. Venus, that bright evening star now shining in the Southwest at supper time, spins in about 30 days, and is too close to the sun and too hot to support life. Jupiter, the giant planet, shining so bright in the East, spins in just 10 hours, and it is too far and much too cold for life to exist on its surface.

The seasons, Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter, God provided by the simple device of tilting the axis of the earth in the plane of its orbit. Here in the Kootenays we are tilted away from the sun in Winter, and toward the sun in Summer. Again, science cannot explain why the earth is inclined as it is. We cannot but believe that there is a greater Wisdom that planned it so.

Truly, the world by wisdom was made by God; but the greater myster is that the world by wisdom was not discovered by God. Ages ago Jacob asked: "Can a man by searching find out God?" Centuries later, the great Apostle answered: "The world by wisdom knew not God, for it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." (I Corinthians 1:21). The Greeks, men of science of Paul's day, admitted their failure by erecting a statue "To the Unknown God" (Acts 17:23). But the simple-minded shepherds who visited the Babe at Bethlehem found the way to discovery. They saw for themselves, and what they saw they believed. "For in Him are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

ROBERT D. McALLISTER,
Member of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada.

Rossland, B. C.

Your Horoscope

An eventful year seems to lie ahead, and it depends upon you to make it also a happy one. An ambitious personality is indicated for today's child

FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 28: Emphasis seems to be on money matters at this time. Care in business matters should bring you good fortune and happiness. Many good characteristics may be expected in the child born today.

It's Been Said

All religion has relation to life, and the life of religion is to do good.—Emanuel Swedenborg.

?Questions? ANSWERS

Open to any reader. Names of persons asking questions will not be published. There is no charge for this service. Questions WILL NOT BE ANSWERED BY MAIL except where there is obvious necessity for privacy.

Mrs. D., Salmo—Can you tell us what is the meaning of the word "Jonadab"? We saw it in an advertisement.

We have no idea what the word means or how it was derived. Perhaps another reader can help.

Reader, Trail—On what day of the week will Christmas Day fall in the year 2052?

Provided there is no change in the calendar before that time, Christmas Day in 2052 will fall on Wednesday. 2052 will be Leap Year.

L. G. W., Nakusp—Are moles harmful in a garden?

Apart from making hills in lawns, moles do no harm at all; in fact, they can do good. They are insectivorous, not vegetarian, and their chief diet consists of grubs and various insects in the adult and larva stages. Most of the damage to bulbs, roots and seeds for which the common mole is blamed can be traced to field mice that follow the mole runways. There is a large mole on the Pacific coast that is suspected of doing damage to field crops, but this has never been actually proved. One school of thought is certain this mole eats the grubs and worms that do the actual damage.

Autocratic Penalty On Employers

Income tax employer forms are now stressing what is by all odds as arbitrary an imposition as beaurocracy could devise. This is the penalty which may be mulcted from an employer should he be delayed in remitting to taxing authorities the amount deducted from employee pay cheques. It is a severe one.

Tax deductions are sent forward each month covering the total amount held back from employees during that period. They must be remitted by the 15th of each following month or else the employer is liable to a penalty of no less than 10 per cent of the amount deducted, plus interest at the same inordinate rate. This is twice the rate, incidentally, that may be levied against the individual in arrears who pays his income tax direct.

The situation thus is that if through illness, oversight, pressure of work or any other of a score of casual happenings, an employer is late with this remittance, he is in effect liable to a stringent fine. In the case of some firms this could mean a loss running into thousands of dollars, quite obviously a wholly unjustified penalty.

The levy is all the more grotesque when it is considered that employers are acting as collectors merely to suit the convenience of Federal taxing authorities. They have no choice in the matter. They are compelled by law to do the Government a favor, thereby saving the Federal Treasury substantial sums annually. Add to this the autocratic penalty invoked for delay and it will be seen that employers have strong grounds for protest. Instead of being penalized, in truth, they should be rewarded for doing the work that in strict fact belongs to the Department of National Revenue.—Victoria Daily Colonist.

ON THE SIDE

By E. V. DURLING

"Battling" Siki, the singular Senegalese, wasn't the only boxer to fight an Irishman in Dublin on St. Patrick's Day. Tommy Burns also took that chance on March 17, 1908. Siki lost a decision to Mike McTague, but Tommy fared much differently. He knocked out the Irishman, Jim Roche, in 30 seconds of the first round!

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EXPENSIVE REMEDY

That very effective anti-seasick remedy called dramamine has made ocean travel more pleasant to innumerable travellers. However, it is costing the ocean liner people much money. Since the advent of dramamine more passengers keep their appetite for the entire trip. So about 50 per cent more food has to be served than formerly.

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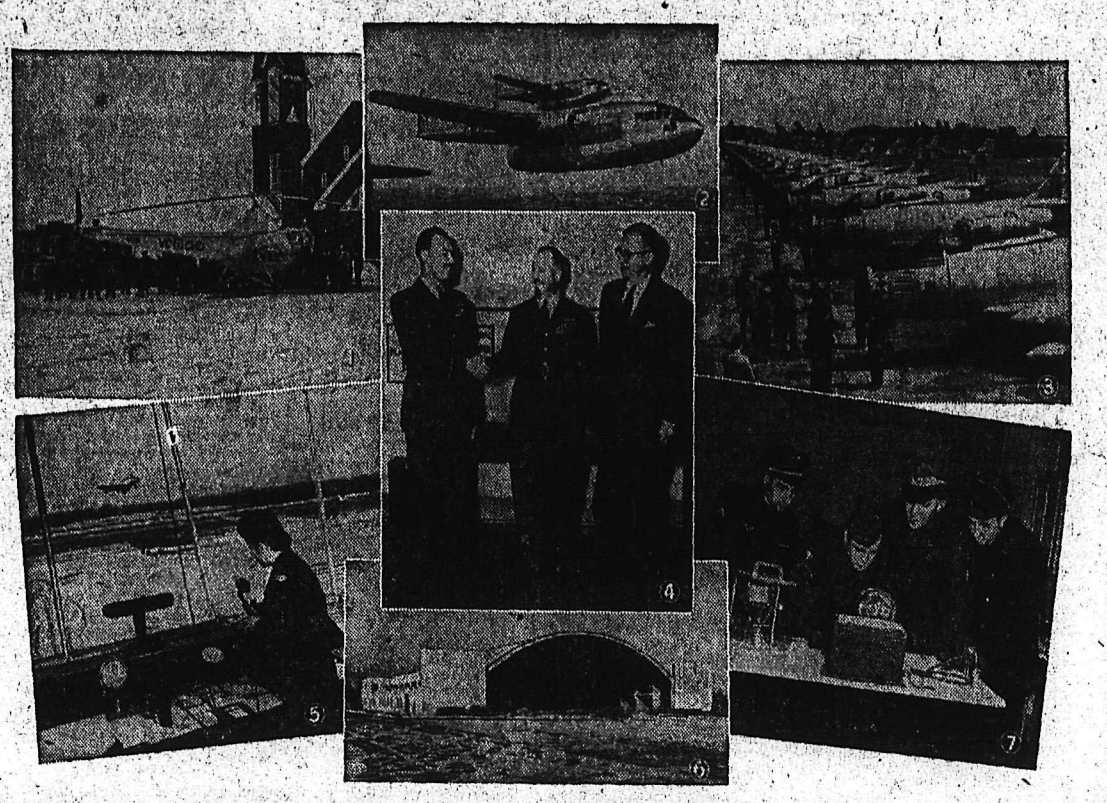
ANOTHER SMALL CAR

A three-wheeler automobile that can do 75 miles an hour and go 60 miles on a gallon of gas is in production in England, and is expected to shortly reach the world market. In England this car will sell for the equivalent of $1200. It has plenty of room for four riders.



RCAF LOOKS BACK—As 1952 draws to a close, the RCAF looks back on a year of expansion. New operational squadrons were formed, new training stations came into being, and new aircraft and equipment were brought into use. Personnel strength rose from 29,552 at the close of 1951 to an estimated 36,500 at the end of 1952, and for the first time Canadian fighter planes were based in Europe in peace-time. Pictures give an indication of the activities and strength of the RCAF. (1) The RCAF continued its search and rescue and mercy flight program, and many humanitarian flights were carried out by Air Force crews. Here an RCAF helicopter takes aboard a sick patient. (2) A recent addition to the RCAF is the C-119, or "flying Boxcar", which is invaluable for carrying heavy freight and equipment. (3) The departure of 439 Squadron from Uplands airport for North Luffenham, England, typifies the extent of the RCAF's commitments overseas. (4) The Minister of National Defence, Brooke Claxton, right, announced that Air Marshal W. A. Curtis, Chief of the Air Staff, centre, will retire at the end of January, 1953, and will be succeeded by A/V/M. C. R. Slemon, left. (5) Symbolizing the importance of women in the modern RCAF, this picture shows an airwoman directing a Sabre pilot to a safe landing. (6) The maintenance and expansion of an efficient air force calls for a vast construction program, including new barracks, runways, and hangars such as this massive concrete structure. (7) Another important aspect of Canada's contribution to NATO is the training of air crews from other member countries at RCAF stations. Forming a camaraderie which bodes well for the free world, two French and two Danish students examine navigation instruments during their training in Canada.—National Defence photo.

"What Price Freedom!" Ask Negroes And Moslems in Simmering Africa

By ARTHUR GAVSHON

LONDON (AP)—Simmering Moslem and Negro revolts against the white man's rule threaten to change the form of the great British and French Empires in Africa.

At the same time they are endangering a key continental redoubt of the West.

To the outside world the dark continent was little more than a coastline on the map not so many years ago; then it became a hunting ground for slaves; next it was parcelled up as the property of West European powers and its people regarded as cheap workers.

Realizing this in 1952 the native peoples have begun to set a price on their cooperation.

What price are the two Africas asking?

Moslem inhabitants of the French North African empire that sprawls along the Mediterranean rim and the East Atlantic have begun to insist on independence. Rampaging riots, strikes and pistol-shot politics in Morocco, Tunisia and some times in quieter Algeria have kept step with the quickening beat-beat of the deeper turmoil pulsating through the Arab world.

The Negroes of black Africa who have discovered the outside world seem to want something else again.

The black man believes equality could bring with it a sharing of the white man's science and skill and a strong partnership to beat malignant nature.

NEW DANGER RISES

Meantime for the West which is developing new, urgent economic and strategic interests in Africa, a clear danger is a rising:

Communists have started to link their own struggle with the Africans fight for independence and equality.

Alread ythe Communist whirlwinds which swept part of Asia have sent more than just breezes to disturb the longtime surface calm of Africa's 200,000,000 primitive peoples.

The non-whites' awakening in the two Africa's was hurried by the place given such lands as India, Pakistan, Jordan and backward Libya as independence nations.

In particular, North Africa watched enviously as Britain turned over limited self-rule to the Gold Coast on the western seaboard.

African Troops Hunt Mau Mau Torrorist Gangs

NAIROBI, Kenya (Reuters)—British and African troops, police and reserves ranged through Kikuyu tribal areas Friday hunting for Mau Mau terrorist gangs which murdered 11 Kikiyu natives on Christmas Eve.

Police headquarters here reported that the terrorist fury abated on Christmas Day, with only minor incidents occurring while security forces swept through the Nyeri district, about 100 miles North of here.

The search for terrorists also extended into forest areas of the Aberdare mountain range, where officials believed some of the gangs might have gone into hiding.

The Christmas Eve attacks began with raids on two homesteads near Kagumo, in the Nyeri reserve, by a terrorist gang of about 10. The residents, including women, fought back fiercely, but four were slashed to death with long knives.

Eisenhower Mum On Future Plans

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Plans of the Eisenhower administration for dealing with the Korean war appear likely to aim at putting new pressures on the Chinese Communists while easing the battle burden of United States forces.

To this end, the belief here is that, as a minumum, President-elect Eisenhower and his Secretary of State-to-be, John Foster Dulles, will promptly call for:

1. A United Nations economic blockade of Red China.

2. Maximum speedup in training of South Korean forces and their assignment to front-line positions.

How far beyond these minimum actions the new President and his advisers may be willing to go remains to be seen, because despite his trip to Korea, his unprecedented mid-Pacific conferences with prospective aides and his meeting with Gen. MacArthur in New York, Eisenhower so far has not tipped his hand.

From an Oldtimer's Notebook

By R. G. JOY

Historian, Nelson and District Old-Timers' Association.

The oldtimer at Christmas time has many thoughts crowding around till I have to put them down to relieve the pressure. Some years ago I was listening to a little child repeating a prayer at Christmas time while her mother was prompting. It came to where the mother said, "God bless father, mother, sisters and brothers and uncles and aunt and everybody for this night and forevermore." The little girl exclaimed: "Say Mummy, couldn't I just say, 'God bless everybody.' Then I would get to the 'Amen' quicker."

Then a kiss and a good night.

The oldtimer sent and received many cards; both are a delight. One card came from a Nelson lass I knew as a baby. She later went to England and was employed as secretary; she married an officer of the RAF, who has seen service in many parts of the world.

The Nelson baby is now a mother of three boys. She writes that another Christmas comes and here we are in Edinburgh. The more you see it the more lovely it appears. Princess Street is a pretty picture with all the wonderful decorations. It is very cold here, but not quite as damp as England. I wonder what you will be doing this Christmas? I guess you will be spending the day at Bob's. If you still play the fiddle remember the old time tune for me. It was the Arkansas Traveller, with patter about the roof of the native playing the tune. When the traveller called his attention to the roof, which was leaking, he answered: "Yes. When it rains, I have no time to fix it and if the sun shines it does not need fixin'.

"It brings the tears of sentiment to my eyes when I write in remembering the happy days," her letter continued, "and your son Bob sneaking in with candies and what have you, to us wee ones in bed. I still have memories of the dining room and large fireplace not forgetting the lounge where the youngest were sent to sleep." . . . Such is Christmas for the oldtimer . . . a time of memories.

THE most fabulous fishing trip of all time was recently completed by the "Galathea," a sleek modern vessel of the Danish Royal Navy. The fishermen were a group of international marine scientists and oceanographers—and they used the world's longest, strongest fishing line to reel in weird creatures never before seen by man. The line—a tapering steel cable capable of reaching 36,000 feet, or about seven miles—was used by the adventuring scientists to explore an unknown world six and a half miles below the surface of the ocean! Headed by the famous Danish zoologist, Anton Bruun, the Galathea's two-year, round-the-world expedition proved what many scientists had believed impossible; that living things populate the deepest waters of the earth—where pressures are a thousand times greater than at sea level and no glimmer of light ever pierces the cold blackness. Swinging nets and dredges at the end of the Galathea's seven-mile-long cable, the explorers reeled in some 16,000 specimens—including a six-foot larva of an eel! (A six-foot larva means that somewhere beneath the sea swims an adult eel fully 180 feet long—a monster that would fill the bill as a genuine sea serpent in even the most lurid mythology). But the most startling discovery of all was made when the scientists cast their line into the world's deepest hole—the Mindanao Trench, off the southern Philippines. From a depth of 34,079 feet (over six miles), they trawled from the primeval ooze of the sea floor such complex animals as sea anemones, bivalves and crustaceans that lived under pressure up to 15,000 lbs. per square inch!

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Views from the News Fronts

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

Associated Press News Analyst

Many responsible spokesmen in the Western world have fallen into the risky habit of handing Moscow propaganda victories on a silver platter.

One of the most astonishing things about the propaganda statements Stalin directs to the Western world is this: Some of us will wonder publicly whether the Soviet dictator is sincere.

We are a long time in realizing the cold realities. Stalin has been saying these things for years — at least 16 years. By now we are justified in assuming at once that he is not sincere.

Any move the Kremlin maes in this long cold war, we can be sure, will be coldly calculated on the basis of advantage to the Communist goal, which always has been the destruction of our way of life.

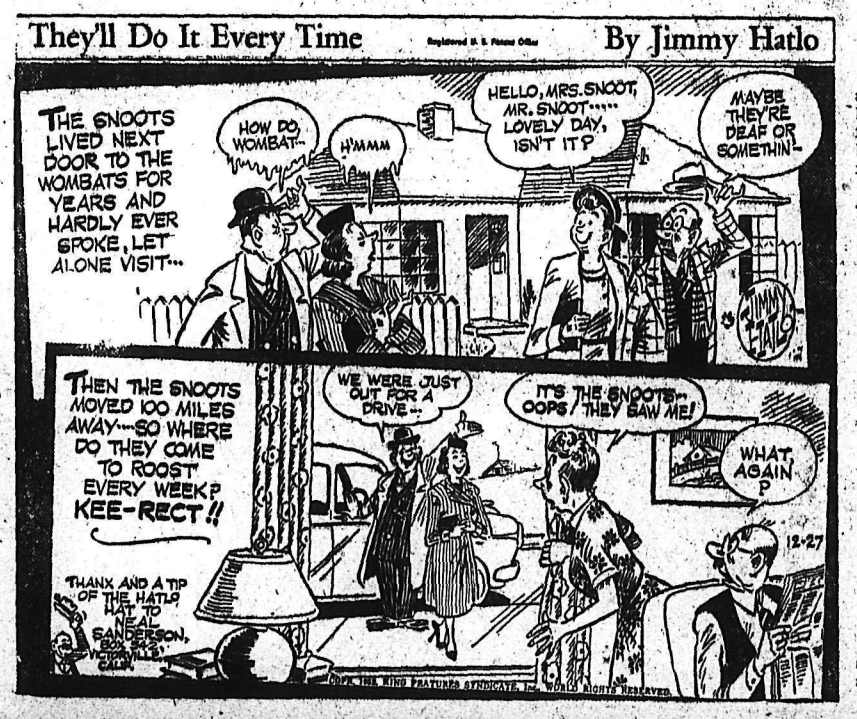
From this standpoint, any move the Kremlin makes — even one that looks like a move toward peace — should be treated with the greatest suspicion, in spite of the longing of the civilized world for a real end to international tensions.

To wonder whether talin is sincere in any such utterance is not only to be naive, but it gives him the benefit of the doubt. In short, it admits the possibility that the Kremlin could entertain honorable intentions toward us. Stalin has never given us any reason to believe this.

Even during the war against the Nazis, when he needed us desperately, Stalin plotted against us and vilified us wherever he feared our help to him might be a hindrance to his post-war plans. And once out of the danger of a defeat by Germany, he turned on us openly. He has not given us a moment's peace since.

CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS

They'll Do It Every Time — By Jimmy Hatlo



Today's Bible Thought

It would be fine if all of us went ahead with no stumblings and bruises and turning back, and defeats, and failures. No one does that, but the next best thing is to turn round and go ahead again.

Turn O backsliding children saith the Lord.—Jeremiah 4:14.

Aunt Het

A wife ought to get her way, for she starts with a big advantage. If she's any good at all her husband always feels sorry for her.

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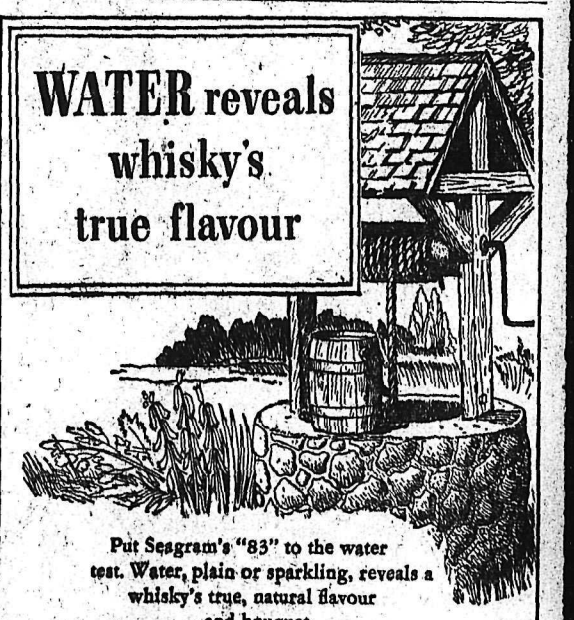

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Leafs, Rangers Winners, Wings, Black Hawks Tie 3-3

By The Canadian Press

Santa Claus is a regular Christmas-night travelling companion of the New York Rangers.

The Broadway Blues, currently in the cellar of the National Hockey League, added to the lustre of a unique Christmas record Thursday night as they dropped Boston Bruins 2-1 in Beantown.

The Rangers' Christmas-night record now stands at 17 wins, one tie and three defeats in the last 22 years.

Detroit Red Wings, with Ralph Almas substituting for injured goalie Terry Sawchuk, received a Christmas package containing two goals from forward Gordie Howe in the third period of a game with Chicago Black Hawks. Howe's effort gave Detroit a 3-3 tie and boosted their league lead to five points, the most held by any team this season. It was the fifth tie in a row for Detroit at home.

Sawchuk, injured in practice on Wednesday, will be lost to the Wings for several games.

Physicians said a small bone, on the inside of the right instep, was broken.

Almas is goalkeeper for the Wing's farm club at St. Louis.

Eagle-eye Al Rollins picked handfuls of rubber out of the air in the second and third periods trying to save Chicago's 3-1 lead.

Harry Lumley, the man who replaced Rollins in the Toronto goal, earned his second shutout in 34 games this season as he frustrated Montreal Canadiens with a brilliant display of netminding in Toronto Christmas Eve. The 2-0 win came on Leaf goals in the third period after Lumley's single-handed battle.

Joe Klukay put Boston one up in the first but Ed Slowinski tied it up in the second with his second goal of the season. Paul Ronty scored the winner for the Rangers midway through the last period. The loss may be costly for the Bruins as defenceman Hal Laycoe, who missed the last eight games, re-injured his ankle on the Ronty scoring play and had to retire.

Ted Lindsay scored the other Detroit goal and earned assists on both Howe counters. Mosienko notched two for Chicago in the first period and Clarence (Rags) Raglan added the other in the second.

In Toronto Gordie Hannigan and left-winger Harry Watson were the goal-getters as the Maple Leafs gave 12,474 home-town fans a Christmas thrill. The win over their old enemies from Montreal moved the Leafs into a fourth-place tie with Bruins.

There are no NHL games tonight but Saturday Detroit is at Montreal and Boston comes to Toronto.

DETROIT RED WINGS' twenty-seven-year-old left-wing ace, Ted Lindsay, knocked at the door of hockey's most select institution, the 200-goal club, and gained admittance when he notched his second-century tally against New York Rangers. Rugged Theodore, in his ninth year with the Red Wings, joins his linemate, Gordie Howe, in NHL's most exclusive company. He is the 25th player in modern hockey to perform the 200-goal feat.—Central Press Canadian.

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Trail, Rossland, Kimberley, Cranbrook and Salmo will compete with Nelson for the primary Wood Vallance Cup, North American Life Trophy, secondary, and T. H. Waters Cup, consolation.

Rinks competing will be:

Monday:

10 a.m. (Nelson vs district players)—Loomer vs Kimberley, Moran vs Inkster (Rossland). Falkins vs Manik (Salmo), Nuyens vs Ink (Trail).

12 noon — Mason (Nelson) vs Salmo, Meredith (Cranbrook) vs Gordon (Trail), Chesser (Trail) vs Linton (Nelson), Savorie (Cranbrook) vs Stronberg (Salmo), Masi (Nelson) vs winner Kimberley-Loomer.

British Soccer

LONDON—Results of Christmas Day football matches in the United Kingdom:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I

Blackpool 0, Manchester U 0.
Balton Wanderers 4, Arsenal 6.
Burnley 2, Liverpool 0.
Newcastle U 3, Cardiff City 0.
Tottenham 7, Middlesbrough 1.

Division II

Birmingham 4, Plymouth A 0.
Blackburn R 2, Leicester City 0.
Brentford 4, Barnslpy 0.
Huddersfield T 3, Swansea T 0.
Sheffield U 2, Doncaster R 2.
West Ham U 2, Notts County 2.

Division III (Southern)

Newport County, 0, Brighton 3.

Division III (Northern)

Bradford City 3, Gateshed 1.
Carlisle U 3, Scunthorpe U 0.
Grimsby Town 0, Chesterfield 0.
Stockport 1, Hartlepools U 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division A

Third Lanark 3, Partick Thistle 1.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

LONDON (Reuters) — Results of soccer matches played in the United Kingdom Friday:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I

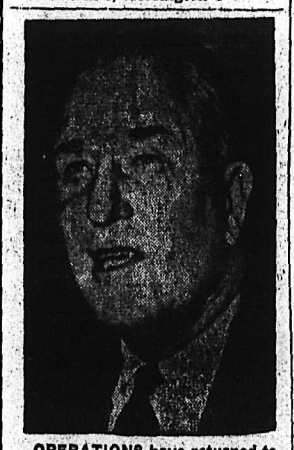
Liverpool 1, Burnley 1
Preston N. E. 6, Manchester C. 2
Sheffield W. 4, W. Bromwich A. 5
Welverhampton 1, Sunderland 1

Division II

Doncaster R. 0, Sheffield U. 2
Fulham 1, Southampton 1
Luton T. 2, Leeds U. 0

Division III, Northern

Barrow 3, Wokington 0
Crewe Alex. 1, Port Vale 4
Darlington 3, Rochdale 2
Oldham A. 1, Mansfield T. 0
Southport 2, Chester 0
Wrexham 3, Accrington 1



OPERATIONS have returned to a fairly normal state in the Cleveland baseball club after stockholders voted out Ellis Ryan and installed another insurance man, Myron H. Wilson, Jr. (above) as chief of the Indians' wigwam. Wilson, the new president, reportedly was a "compromise candidate" for the anti-Ryan group led by Nate Dolin, stadium operations chief, who favored vice-president George Medinger for the presidency. Ryan and five other directors of the club will remain on the board of directors until the annual stockholders' meeting Jan. 12. Ryan sold out his 600 shares to a group headed by Dolin.

—Central Press Canadian.

Marciano Named Fighter of Year

NEW YORK (AP)—Rocky Marciano of Brockton, Mass., world heavyweight champion, was named Ring magazine's "fighter of the year" in 1952 and unbeaten Chuck Davey of East Lansing, Mich., a welter contender, was voted the "Ring Progress Trophy" as Nat Fleischer, editor of the Ring magazine, issued his annual ratings.

20 Games for E. Kootenay School Pucksters

NATAL — East Kootenay high school hockey league teams will play 20 games in their 1953 schedules. The opening games will see Fernie travel Jan. 9 and 10 to play two games against Cranbrook and Kimberley.

The East Kootenay high school league consists of teams from Fernie, Michel, Cranbrook, Creston and Kimberley.

In all the five teams will play a total of 20 games.

The schedule:

Jan. 9—Fernie at Cranbrook.
Jan. 10—Fernie at Kimberley.
Jan. 10—Michel at Creston.
Jan. 16—Creston at Fernie.
Jan. 17—Creston at Michel.
Jan. 17—Cranbrook at Kimberley.
Jan. 23—Cranbrook at Fernie.
Jan. 24—Cranbrook at Michel.
Jan. 24—Kimberley at Creston.
Jan. 30—Fernie at Michel.
Jan. 31—Creston at Cranbrook.
Feb. 6—Michel at Cranbrook.
Feb. 7—Michel at Kimberley.
Feb. 7—Fernie at Creston.
Feb. 13—Kimberley at Fernie.
Feb. 14—Kimberley at Michel.
Feb. 14—Cranbrook at Creston.
Feb, 20—Michel at Fernie.
Feb. 20—Creston at Kimberley.
Feb. 21—Kimberley at Cranbrook.

Desprito Record Chances Slimmer

MIAMI (AP) — Tony Desprito, leading United States jockey, failed Friday to get a winner in eight tries at Tropical Park, dimming his chances of breaking the record of 388 in a year.

Desprito had 376 going into Friday's program, but the best he could do with eight mounts was second in the fifth race. He was third in two races and out of the money in five others.

He still has five days to go, but must bring in 12 winners to tie the record set by Walter Miller in 1906 and tied by Joe Culmone and Willie Shoemaker in 1950.

Desprito, top favorite with the crowd of 11,733, was third in the first race, but ran out in the second. He sat out the third and finished fourth in the fourth event.

He rode First Grandson, an even-money choice, in the fifth but the best Desprito could do was second, six lengths behind Stars Shine.

His luck was in sharp contrast to that he had in Havana on Christmas Day, when he rode three winners.

Desprito said he went to Havana because he felt he had a better chance there and wanted to get the "feel" of the track for his efforts there on Sunday when Florida has no racing.

Fisher to Play for Bruins in NHL

BOSTON (AP) — Boston Bruins have recalled right-winger Dunc Fisher from the Hershey American Hockey League club. Fisher will be in National Hockey League action against Toronto and Detroit Saturday and Sunday nights.

Fisher, who has scored 20 goals for Hershey this season, will play on a line with Dave Creighton and Jack McIntyre. That shift enabled coach Lynn Patrick to drop winger Jerry Toppazzini back on defence as a replacement for Hal Laycoe.

After missing eight games with an ankle injury, Laycoe returned to action against New York Rangers here Thursday night. He aggravated the injury and has been sidelined again.

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Poor Predictors of 1952 Named Limbbums

BALTIMORE (AP) — The sports world has had a nice crop of "limbbums" in 1952.

Take for example, Chuck Dressen, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

It was Oct. 4. Dressen's Dodgers had won the first game of the World Series and dropped the second to the Yankees.

Quoth Dressen:

"All we've got to do now is take each odd game and we're in." The Brooks won No. 3 and 5 all right, but came a cropper on No. 7 and the Yanks took the championship.

This makes Dressen a limbbum. He insists on getting himself out on a limb with some profundity and looks like a bum when it backfires.

Dressen has lots of company.

Jim Ellis, sports writer for the Baltimore Evening Sun, is self-appointed, unofficial boxscore keper in the limbbum league. Here are some more entries from his 1953 ledger:

Jan. 3—General Manager Hank Greenberg of the Cleveland Indians: "Without DiMaggio, the Yankees will be lucky to finish in the first division."

Feb. 1—Manager Eddie Sawyer of the Philadelphia Phils: "I think we'll bounce back." Phils sank so low early in the season that Sawyer was bounced. They finished fourth under Steve O'Neill.

April 14—Red Rolfe, manager of the Detroit Tigers: "I think we will be better than last year and we may surprise a lot of people."

Tigers finished in the cellar, for the first time in history, and Red lost his job.

Aug. 20—Joe Louis: "Walcott's too smart for Marciano. He'll beat him."

Sept. 15—Heavyweight champion Joe Walcott: "Rocky can't fight. I ought to beat him."

Marciano knocked out Walcott in the 13th round and became the new champion.

Sept. 11—Cary Middlecoff, defending his title as Eastern Open golf champion in Baltimore: "Somebody will come in with another 279 and it will be good enough to win." Sam Snead won the tournament with a 275, Porky Oliver was second with 277 and Middlecoff's 279 took third.

Oct. 20—Red Grange, after watching the San Francisco 49'ers crush Chicago Bears 40-16: "That's the greatest football team I've ever seen." The 49ers lost five of their next seven games.

Cranbrook Curlers Trying New Sheets; Line Up Rinks

CRANBROOK — First practice rocks are being thrown on the new ice at the curling rink this week in preparation for launching of about 10 days of qualifying rounds for some 40 rinks, as preliminary to the business of round-robin draws for the rest of the season.

All five ice sheets will go into play Monday for nightly double-draws thereafter. Rinks will be assigned to one of three sections as a result of this round to ensure close competition for the round robins leading toward playoffs and award of prizes at the close of the season. This system of play is to spread awards among players of all calibre.

Ice has been in preparation by ice-maker Geoff Cook for the past several weeks, and he and Mrs. Cook will operate the lunchroom for the season. Extensive improvements, repairs and interior painting at the rink have been done by volunteer members recently.

Election of officers was deferred from the final windup in the Spring until the season started again, and has resulted in naming of Roy Webb, president, F. J. Dooling, vice-president, Neil Miller, secretary-treasurer, and committee chairmen J. A. Dennison, competitions and draw, J. M. Falkins, ice, Bud Nunn, building, Joe Mergens, entertainment, and J. S. Johnston, membership. E. C. Freeman is auditor and Lieut. Austin Millar, chaplain. The club is considering sponsoring the annual Selkirk Bonspiel this season, and Eric MacKinnon was named bonspiel chairman.

One sheet of ice will be assigned four nights a week to the Ladies' Curling Club when it starts its competitions early in January.

Honorary officers elected were Dr. G. E. L. MacKinnon, Dr. F. W. Green, Mayor R. E. Sang and C. J. Little.

Sawchuk Out of Play Three Weeks

DETROIT (AP)—Terry Sawchuk, Detroit Red Wings' star goalie, has suffered a foot injury in practice. He will be lost to the National Hockey League leaders for three weeks.

Physicians said a small bone, on the inside of the right instep, was broken. The foot was placed in a cast.

During a workout at Olympia Wednesday the puck struck Sawchuk on the skate and below his leg guard.

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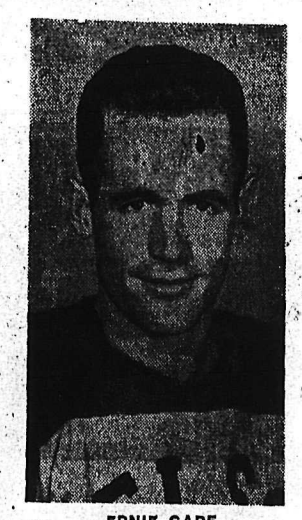

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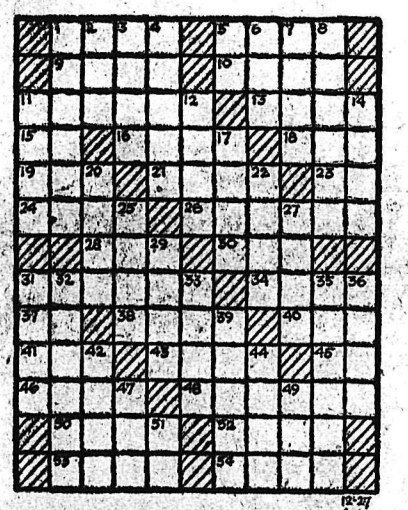

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11:00—"NEWS" Night Cap

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1952

8:30—Sunday Morning Recital
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Mainly About Books
9:30—Harmony Harbour
10:00—B.C. Gardner
10:15—Just Mary
10:30—Way of the Spirit
11:00—News
11:03—Capital Report
11:30—Religious Period
12:00—Symphony Orchestra
1:30—Critically Speaking
2:0. —Fiddle Joe's Yarn's
2:30—Three Men in a Boat
3:00—News
3:05—As the Weatherman
3:12—Weather Forecast
3:15—U. N. on the Record
3:30—Winnipeg Symphony Orch.
4:30—Chamber Music
5:00—Sunday Chorale
5:30—Little Symphonies
6:00—Stage 58
7:00—News
7:10—Weekend Review
7:20—Our Special Speaker
7:30—Distinguished Artists
8:00—Comedy Time
9:00—de Rimanoczy Quartet
9:30—Vesper Hour
10:00—News
10:15—Talk
10:30—Recital
11:00—Collectors Items
11:57—News
12:00—News

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1952

8:00—News
8:10—Here's Bill Good
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—Laura Limited
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Aunt Lucy
9:30—Harmony House
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—The Happy Gang
10:45—Musical Kitchen
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air
11:15—A Man and His Music
12:15—News
12:25—Showcase
12:30—B.C. Farm Broadcast
12:55—Five to One
1:00—The Concert Hour
1:45—The Christmas Roundup
2:00—School Broadcast
2:30—Easy Listening
3:00—Brave Voyage
3:15—Musical Program
3:30—Trans Canada Matinee
4:15—Road Show
4:30—The Valley of Seven Sisters
4:45—News
4:55—Spotlight
5:00—Rawhide
5:30—London Studio Concert
6:00—Lux Radio Theatre
7:00—News
7:15—News Roundup
7:30—Introducing Prince Rupert
8:00—Ed McCurdy
8:15—Symphony Orch.
9:00—Farm Forum
9:30—Here's Juliette
10:00—News
10:15—Provincial Affairs
10:30—The Chase
11:00—U.N. Today
11:15—Time for Music
11:45—Nightcap
11:57—News

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Flying Santa Home From Lighthouse Run

BOSTON (AP)—New England's flying Santa, Edward Rowe Snow, finished his lighthouse run Wednesday by dropping the last of more than 4000 Christmas packages at Owl's Head light in Rockland, Me. The lightkeeper's Santa made drops this year as far North as Grand Manan Island, off New Brunswick, and as far South as Shinnecock light, New York.

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Market Trends

NEW YORK (AP)—After a cautious start, quietness was the dominating theme of trading.

Canadian issues were lower. Dome Mines and Distillers Seagram each dropped ¼; McIntyre slipped ⅜, and Canadian Pacific fell ⅛. International Nickel and Hiram Walker were not quoted.

TORONTO (CP) — Prices improved slightly in slow trading toward the close, with only Western oils continuing weak.

Golds led the gainers, adding about half a point on the exchange's index, while base metals recovered from early weakness to gain slightly less. Industrials gained, although the index showed a small loss as leading issues slipped.

MONTREAL (CP)—Prices turned irregularly lower as trading resumed after the shutdown. Trading was dull.

Fractional losses were the rule, although Hudson Bay Mining was down 1½ points to 54.

CMA Head Dies En Route Home

TORONTO (CP)—Dr. Harold Orr, 63, of Victoria, president of the Canadian Medical Association, died here Friday of a heart attack. Dr. Orr was en route home for Christmas.

He was representing the CMA at the World Medical Association in Athens, Greece, when he suffered the attack. He spent four weeks in hospital in London and another three weeks in a New York hospital and was allowed to leave there only with expert supervision.

He arrived in Toronto with Dr. Arthur Kelly, secretary of the CMA here.

Dr. Orr, a graduate of the University of Toronto, was clinical professor of dermatology of the faculty of medicine of the University of Alberta, and practised in Medicine Hat, Alta., and Edmonton before moving recently to Victoria.

He served in the First World War with the Royal Army Medical Corps.

He is survived by his widow, a daughter in Victoria, and a sister here.

CNR Revenues Up

MONTREAL (CP) — Increase of $1,303,000 is reported by Canadian National Railways in November net revenues, to $5,002,000, against $3,789,000 in the same month.

Operating revenues climbed to $55,061,000, compared with $54,105,000 a year ago, while operating expenses declined to $49,969,000 from $50,316,000.

Net revenue for the first 11 months of 1952 was up $1,274,000 to $42,670,000 from $41,396,000 in the same period of 1951.

GRAVESEND, England (CP) — The Grand Theatre, where Gracie Fields made her Southern England debut in 1920, is to be demolished. The theatre hasn't been in operation since 1933 when it was forced to close by the increasing movie competition.

Britain Trades With Sweden

LONDON (Reuters)—Britain and Sweden Wednesday concluded a pact under which Sweden will send more iron ore to Britain. Sweden also will resume exports of badly needed bacon for the first time since the war ended.

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MINING IN THE KOOTENAY . . .

Canadian Ex Continues Full Scale Operations

Maintenance of full scale operations is assured for Placer Development's Canadian Exploration subsidiary at Salmo, it was reported. Arrangements are now being concluded for an alternative outlet for the proportion of lead and zinc concentrates which the Trail Smelter has been unable to handle due to the shortage of hydroelectric power.

Officials did not divulge the identity of the outlet although the agreement has been finalized as far as movement of concentrates is concerned.

C. W. Clark, secretary said that the lead-zinc mill averaged 26,370 tons monthly in the nine months ended September 20, 1952. The mill is now being increased to a monthly capacity of 35,000.

A pleasant "sweetener" for the ore is proving to be cadmium content, which on the basis of experience to date appears to be capable to adding $200,000 to annual gross earnings.

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Carnegie Mines Limited has arranged a two-year contract for the sale of zinc concentrates from its Silversmith property near Sandon with International Minerals and Metal Corp., A. E. Sinclair, President reports. Shipments will be made to the Anaconda smelter at Black Eagle, Montana, and will be paid for on basis of average prices East St. Louis at time of shipment.

As announced recently lead concentrates are being sold to American Smelting and Refining Company, first shipment having been made last week.

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Ores and concentrates received by The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited at Trail, for the week ending November 15, totalled 4955 wet tons, of which 2589 wet tons were for treatment in the Lead Smelter and 2366 wet tons were for treatment in the Zinc Plant.

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Operating profit at Estella Mines Limited, Wasa continues to mount, G. Annesley reports. For the week ended December 6, operating profit was approximately $15,000 compared to a total of $19,200 for the entire month of November.

The company shipped six tons of concentrates in the first week of December, a new record, for net smelter returns estimated at $33,603, the sixth consecutive weekly gain.

The winze being sunk on ore from the bottom level is now down 20 feet and shows four feet of ore averaging better than 32 per cent in combined metals. The work is advancing at the rate of three feet daily.

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First use of selective flotation of zinc-lead ore was made by Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company Limited at Trail in 1923.

Weather Man Kind Across Canada

By The Canadian Press

Christmas came quietly to Canada.

Most families attended church services, opened gifts by a decorated tree in the living room, and then settled down for the traditional turkey dinner. For many there was the opportunity for a stroll after the meal in weather almost Easter-like.

Snow was only thinly dusted across the country, while in Ottawa, Montreal and several other centres the streets were coated with slush. Light, drizzling rain fell over much of the Prairies. Western Canada enjoyed sunshine.

There was little holiday revelry, as most night spots were shuttered early Christmas Eve. Even the perennial office party was slightly wilted this year under police threats of stiff penalties for drunken driving.

At Port Harrison, 500 miles South of the Arctic Circle, 14 white settlers joined with Eskimo villagers at the department.

LONELY FOR SONS

But for many parents, wives and sweethearts Christmas this year was a lonely time, with some 15,000 Canadian servicemen spending the Yule season abroad.

An estimated 2300 members of the RCAF are stationed in England, France, Korea, Japan, the United States and the Aleutian Islands. Some 6000 Army servicemen are in the Far East and an equal number in Germany, while the Navy has 800 men in the Far East and another 250 now on their way home aboard a destroyer.

Movie Poll Hoists Martin, Lewis Tops

HOLLYWOOD (CP)—At the box office, where money makes the music that Hollywood enjoys, the favorites are Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

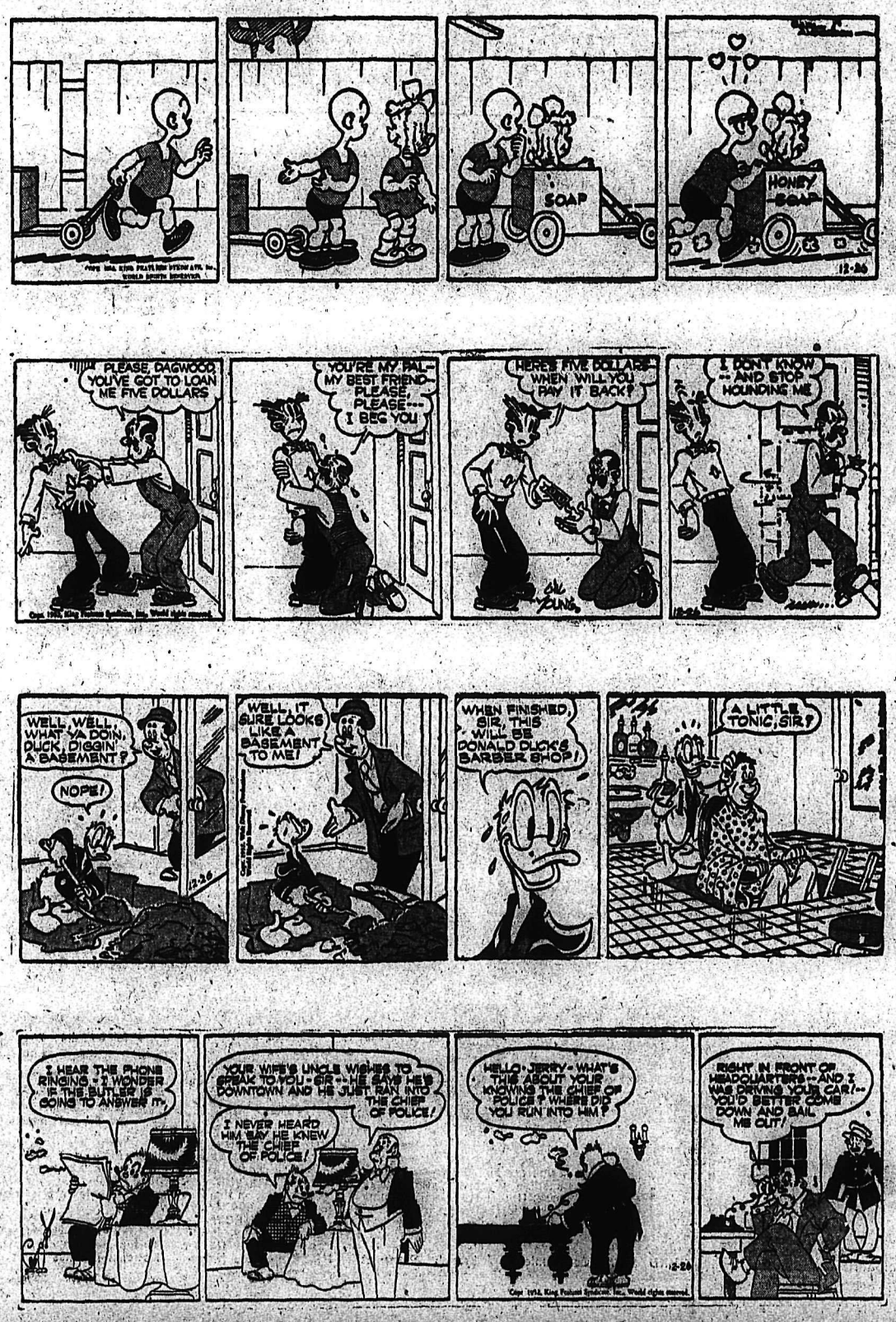
The story is the same in both Canada and the United States, as shown in the annual poll of movie exhibitors.

In addition to Canadian and U.S. exhibitors, the operators of British film houses were polled. It was found that Bob Hope was the top draw there.

Hope was rated second by Canadian exhibitors, and the other top box office draws in Canada follow in this order:

Doris Day, Bing Crosby, John Wayne, Stewart Granger, Gary Cooper, Esther Williams, Betty Hutton and Humphrey Bogart.

In the U. S. Wayne, who led the parade for 1950 and 1951, slipped to third place behind Cooper. Crosby is fourth in the U. S.



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Quebec Folk Anticipate Tommy Cod Fish Season

STE. ANNE DE LA PARADE, Que. (CP) — Prospect of the 1952-53 season is the main topic of conversation these days in this municipality 20 miles below Three Rivers.

What season? Well, as anyone here can tell you this is the time of year when les petits poissons des chenaux, tommy cod to the uninitiated, come up from the sea to spawn.

A period of just three weeks, from Christmas through the Epihany, Jan. 6, marks the height of the season for the fish, called frostfish in New England, poulamon by the Acadians and microgadus tomcod by men of science.

This is the time of year when the gaily-decorated cabins go up on the ice of the Ste. Anne River, cabins that accommodate two to four anglers and as many onlookers as can crowd in to see the process of fishing through the ice.

You have all the latest conveniences and it's simple too. You transfer your living quarters to a cabin mounted on runners, you push it out on the ice and you're all set. Then, it's up to the fish.

So far this year, however, there are no cabins on the river, and the weather can be blamed for the situation. A mild spell melted ice that had formed and chased the few hardy fishermen who had set up their cabins.

A few cold days, though, should remedy the situation and see the regular cabins dotting the ice.

FISH A DELICACY

The little fish, considered a delicacy, make a bonanza for commercial fishermen too.

Throughout Eastern Quebec they have been netting 40 to 50 tons annually with the value placed between $5000 and $20,000. These figures don't include the voluminous catch of the enthusiastic amateur.

The fish are found in other parts of the province but Ste. Anne seems to be the favorite for the fish and fishermen alike.

You don't have to tell people of the district what the fish looks like but for the amateur, the Quebec biological bureau has this to say:

No longer than 12 inches, nor heavier than one pound. A single barbel or catwhisker under chin, in middle. Three top or dorsal fins, well spread out, and two bottom or anel fins. A rounded tail.

Freighters Collide

NEW ORLEANS (CP) — Two freighters collided in the Gulf of Mexico. One ship, the Norwegian-owned Holdberg, proceeded toward its destination. The other, the Dutch freighter Bacchus took on about 30 feet of water in the hold after the accident.

A seaman was injured aboard the Bacchus and was removed. Two tugs were sent to aid the freighter at the scene of the collision Thursday, three miles from the mouth of the Mississippi River.

Queen Elizabeth's Speech

LONDON (AP) — Text of the Queen's Christmas message:

Each Christmas at this time, my beloved father broadcast a message to his people in all parts of the world. Today I am doing this to you, who are now my people. As he used to do, I am speaking to you from my own home, where I am spending Christmas with my family, and let me say at once how I hope that your children are enjoying themselves as much as mine are on a day which is especially the children's festival, kept in honor of the child born at Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago.

Most of you to whom I am speaking will be in your own homes, but I have a special thought for those who are serving their country in distant lands far from their families. Wherever you are, either at home or away, in snow or in sunshine, I give you my affectionate greetings, with every good wish for Christmas and the new year.

At Christmas our thoughts are always full of our homes and our families. This is the day when members of the same family try to come togeher, or if separated by distance or events meet in spirit and affection by exchanging greetings.

But we belong, you and I, to a far larger family. We belong, all of us, to the British Commonwealth and Empire, that immense union of nations, with their homes set in all the four corners of the earth. Like our own families, it can be a great power for good — a force which I believe can be of immeasurable benefit to all humanity. My father and my grandfather before him worked all their lives to unite the people of Great Britain and the Commonwealth closely, to maintain ideals which were so near to their hearts.

I shall strive my utmost to carry on their work.

Already you have given me strength to do so. For, since my accession ten months ago, your loyalty and affection have been an immense support and encouragement. I want to take this Christmas Day, my first opportunity, to thank you with all my heart.

GRAVE PROBLEMS

Many grave problems and difficulties confront us all, but with a new faith in the old and new beliefs given us by our forefathers, and the strength to venture beyond the safeties of the past, I know we shall be worthy of our duty.

Above all, we must keep alive that courageous spirit of adventure that is the finest quality of youth —and by youth I do not just mean those who are young in years, I mean too all those who are young in heart, no matter how old they may be. That spirit still flourishes in this old country and in all the younger countries of our Commonwealth.

On this broad foundation let us set out to build a truer knowledge of ourselves and our fellow men, to work for tolerance and understanding among the nations and to use the tremendous forces of science and learning for the betterment of man's lot upon this earth.

If we can do these three things with courage, with generosity and with humility, then surely we shall achieve that "peace on earth, good-will toward men" which is the eternal message of Christmas, and the desire of us all.

At my coronation next June, I shall dedicate myself anew to your service. I shall do so in the presence of a great congregation, drawn from every part of the Commonwealth and Empire, while millions outside Westminster Abbey will hear the promises and the prayers being offered up within its walls, and see much of the ancient ceremony in which kings and and queens before me have taken part through century upon century.

You will be keeping it as a holiday; but I want to ask you all, whatever your religion may be, to pray for me on that day—to pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.

May God bless and guide you all through the coming year.

Investigator Shot To Death by Son

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP)—James Barker, who as a police identification expert was called by the Duke of Windsor to assist with the Oakes murder case in 1943, was shot to death Friday by his son, James Barker Jr.

John Tyler, chief of the County Criminal Bureau of Investigation, said young Barker admitted the shooting.

There has been family feuding between the father and son for some time, Tyler said. Young Barker gave his father a beating some months ago, and both the elder and younger Barkers were involved in divorce actions.

Barker, as captain in charge of the Miami police identification bureau, flew to Nassau in 1943 in response to a summons from the Duke of Windsor to investigate the Oakes murder.

Barker testified that he found a fingerprint of Alfred de Marigny, son-in-law of Canadian Sir Harry Oakes, on a screen beside the bed of the slain man.

Defence experts tore the testimony apart, and Barker was tried by the International Association for Identification on charges of falsifying fingerprint evidence.

Barker, as a Florida deputy sheriff, was a key figure in the investigation into the disappearance Jan. 4 of Huguette Lemay, Montreal beauty contest winner.

Mrs. Lemay, 21, left her husband while they were fishing from a bridge near Miami on the Tamiami Trail to get warmer clothing from the couple's car. She was never seen again.

Unexpected Addition

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For 30 years John B. Rauen of Los Angeles has collected miniature replicas of elephants. His Christmas present Thursday was an 800-pounder, only this elephant is very much alive. Rauen is still trying to decide whether to keep the big pachyderm —a gift from his two sons and a daughter.

Solemn People of All Religions Hear Speeches by World Leaders

By The Associated Press

The guns in Korea were just a little quieter and church bells pealed perhaps a little more frequently throughout the world Thursday in memory of one who nearly 2000 years ago preached peace and good will to all.

In Britain, a young Queen embarking on her reign, and in the United States a retiring President, nearing the end of his task, gave prayers for a brighter world and a more peaceful future.

In Indo-China, Ho Chi Minh, chief of the Red rebels, called on Indo-Chinese Roman Catholics to wipe out the "French aggressors".

In the divided Holy Land some 2000 pilgrims flocked to the Arab-held town of Bethlehem to worship at the spot where Christ was born.

With the Arabs and Jews still technically at war, special permission had to be obtained for worshippers to cross between Jewish Israel and the Arab regions.

SACRED SCENE

While worshippers from many parts of the world looked on early Christmas morn, the heavy scent of incense filled a sacred stone grotto in Bethlehem during another enactment of the scene attending Christ's birth.

At Sandringham, country home of Britain's Royal Family, the Queen took time out from celebrating the Yuletide with her boy and girl to call on her people to "keep alive that courageous spirit of adventure".

The Royal Christmas broadcast was a tradition begun by her grandfather, George V, and carried on by her father, George VI.

JULIANA'S HOPES

In The Netherlands another Queen broadcast season's greetings to her people. Queen Juliana expressed confidence that peace would prevail if everyone realized there was nothing to be gained by fighting.

In Russia itself it was just another day. The Soviets don's specially observe Dec. 25. But everyone was buying trees to celebrate New Year's Day, the time Soviet children get toys.

In Rome, refugees from Iron Curtain countries gathered to celebrate Mass in the Basilica of St. Alexander in the Catacombs.

Churchill To Leave for Informal General Talks With Eisenhower

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill will meet President-elect Eisenhower in New York in about 10 days to discuss the Korean war and other world problems.

Churchill also will visit Washington "to pay his respects to President Truman", the Prime Minister's office announced Friday.

The 78-year-old British leader will leave the U.S. on his way to a two-week vacation in Jamaica.

VISIT OLD FRIEND

He will sail Dec. 31 aboard the Queen Mary, due in New York Jan. 4. There Churchill will stay two or three days with Bernard Baruch, American elder statesman and adviser to Presidents. During these two or three days Churchill will meet Eisenhower "for informal talks", the announcement added.

Churchill's visit to Washington to see President Truman will follow. There is no indication how long Churchill will remain in Washington. However, informed diplomatic sources said the Washington visit probably will be brief.

PROBABLE ITINERARY

From Friday's announcement, Churchill's itinerary may be about like this:

Dec. 31—Leave Southampton aboard Queen Mary for New York.

Jan. 4—Arrive New York.

Jan. 4 to 7—Stay in New York with Baruch and Eisenhower.

Jan. 7—Leave for Washington to visit President Truman.

Jan. 8—Leave by plane for Kingston, Jamaica, and two weeks' vacation.

Jan. 22—Leave by plane for London.

NO ADVISERS

Churchill will be accompanied by Mrs. Churchill and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Soames. Soames is a Conservative Member of Parliament. He married Mary Churchill in 1947.

Churchill will take no advisers with him, underlining the informal nature of his visit.

It will be Churchill's first visit to the U.S. since a year ago, when he and Foreign Secretary Eden discussed Anglo-American relationships with President Truman and members of his administration in Washington.

The announcement gave no hint of the nature of the coming Churchill-Eisenhower talks. Informad diplomatic sources said, however, that the Korean war, Western defence, and possibly Britain's trade and financial situation are likely to figure in the informal discussions.

Adenauer Looks To Eisenhower

BONN, Germany (AP) — West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer has urgently appealed to President-elect Eisenhower to appoint a "strong man" as new United States High Commissioner to Germany as soon as possible, Allied sources reported Friday.

They said he asked that the job be given to a forceful figure who could give a much-needed boost to lagging plans for rearmament and Western European unification.

Adenauer's request is regarded as actually a distress signal. He needs to get ratification of West Germany's treaties of alliance with the West. And he thinks France and other partners of the six-country European Army project need jogging from the United Nations to get on with the job.

Brodie Twins in Oxygen Tents

CHICAGO (AP)—The 15-month-old Brodie Siamese twins spent their first Christmas as separate individuals in oxygen tents, still in critical condition.

A spokesman at the University of Illinois Hospital, where the twin boys underwent their head-to-head separation Dec. 17, said Thursday that there was "no change" in their condition.

The hospital spokesman said the boys have not slipped backwards since the operation, but have maintained a "holding action". However, he said attendants warned that either twin could succumb without much warning.

LONDON (Reuters) — Pauline Pitcher, 16, in a coma for almost a year following an automobile accident, stirred just enough Thursday to recognize relatives. She had been given a permanent wave and other beauty treatment in hope she would wake up to enjoy Christmas.

Possible Big Three Meet Early in 1953

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Eisenhower administration is holding the door open for diplomatic negotiations with Stalin as it prepares to engage in important talks with Prime Minister Churchill in the first days of the new year.

These developments have heightened speculation over the possibility of an eventual Big Three meeting aimed at easing world tension. It appears certain that a discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of an Eisenhower-Stalin-Churchill session, perhaps including other leaders as well, will come up during the meetings of Eisenhower and the prime minister at New York 10 days hence.

In a question-and-answer exchange with the New York Times, made public on Christmas Day, Stalin expressed a favorable attitude toward a meeting with Eisenhower. He also said Russia is interested in ending the Korean war.

John Foster Dulles, who is to be Eisenhower's secretary of state, challenged Stalin Friday to back up his remarks with "concrete proposals." Dulles said the way for such overtures is always open through diplomatic or United Nations channels, and that they would be "seriously and sympathetically received."

London reaction to Stalin's statement made plain that Britain wants to be in on any Stalin-Eisenhower conference. While the policies of the Eisenhower government still have to be defined and declared, the United States has long taken the position that it is not interested in exclusive deals with the Russians. Churchill thus seems assured of a friendly response from his old wartime comrade-in-arms on this as well as any other points he wishes to raise.

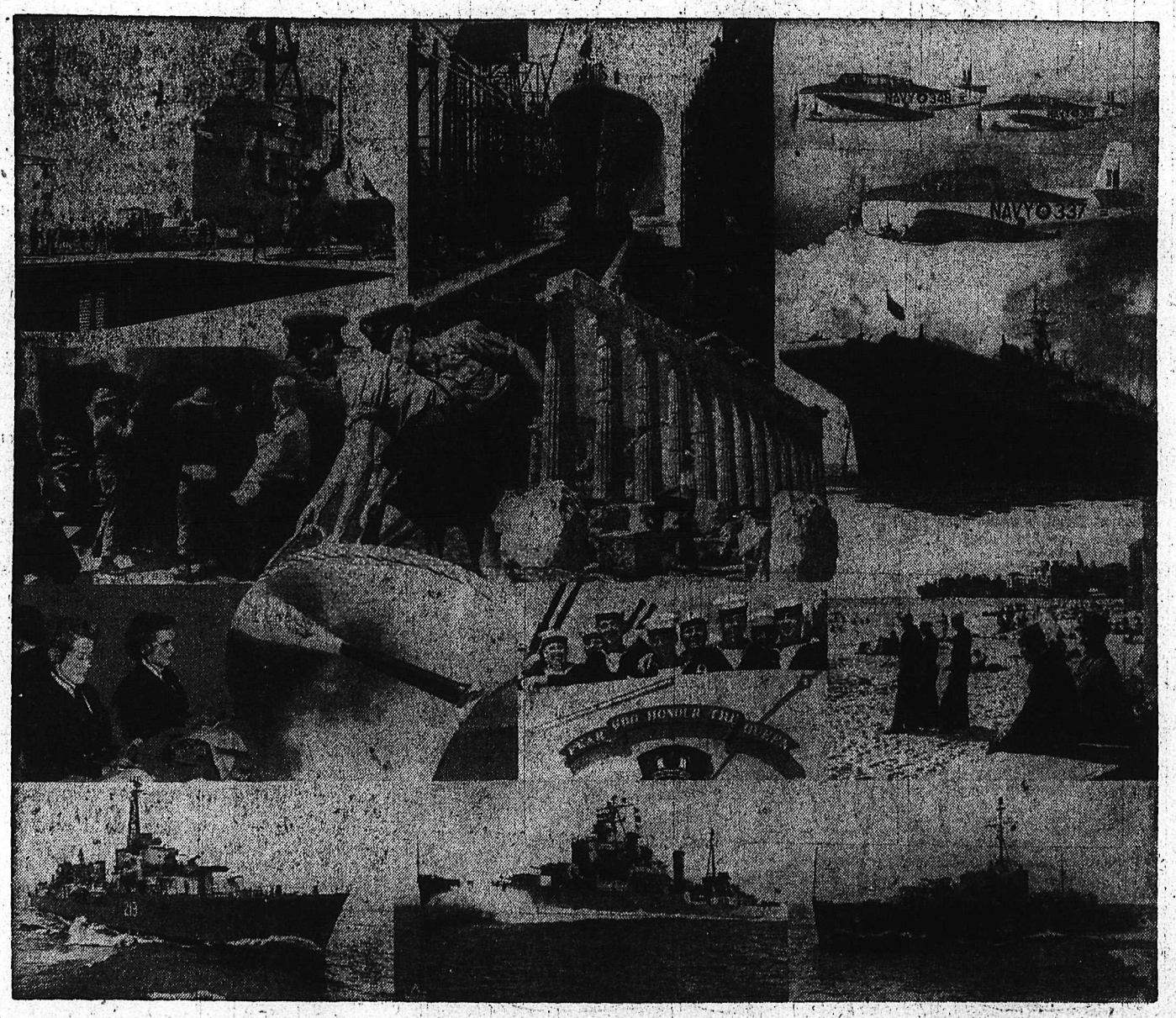
Word that Churchill would be in New York Jan. 4 for talks with Eisenhower followed by little more than 24 hours the Times' publication of Stalin's answers to four questions which the newspaper had sent him. However, informed persons said Churchill's decision to make the trip was not a result of the Stalin pronouncement. They said Churchill's plans to visit the U.S. on his way to a vacation in Jamaica had been in the making for some time.

The first direct reaction to Stalin's remarks came from Dulles, who issued his statement here after conferring by telephone with Eisenhower, who is in New York.

"I have read with interest," Dulles said, "the published account of Mr. Stalin's views. If these mean that Mr. Stalin has concrete proposals to make to the new administration after it takes office, he can rest assured that they will be seriously and sympathetically received."

The statement offered no direct comment on the possibility of a Stalin-Eisenhower meeting. But it did suggest that if Stalin has anything further to offer he could use regular diplomatic channels or Soviet-American contacts at the United Nations.

"Diplomatic or United Nations channels of communication," the statement said, "are always available for such purposes and for exchanges of views designed to find ways to promote peace and international goodwill."



HERE is a year-end sampler of life in the Royal Canadian Navy during 1952—a year that saw Canadian destroyers continue their service in the Korean war theatre and the integration of the RCN with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's naval setup. From left to right are shown:

TOP ROW: HMCS Magnificent steaming past the smoking crater of Stromboli during exercises with the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean; the launching of a new destroyer escort, HMCS Skeena, at North Vancouver; three anti-submarine Avengers in flight over the Magnificent—aircraft such as these scored notable successes in the NATO exercises Mainbrace and Emigrant.

SECOND ROW: A Canadian destroyer's gun crew in action off the coast of Korea; University Naval Training Division cadets stow wire rope as their ship leaves Gibraltar during a Summer training cruise; a sailor from the Magnificent views "the glory that was Greece" during a visit to Athens.

THIRD ROW: Communications branch Wrens at their typewriters—nearly 200 Wrens are on full-time service with the Navy; a Canadian destroyer's gun blasts at a North Korean target; cheerful sailors on board HMCS Ontario on a visit to Seattle; crew members of HMCS Athabaskan, on their way to Korea, enjoy a brief respite in Hawaii.

BOTTOM ROW: Three typical warships of the Royal Canadian Navy, HMCS Athabaskan (Tribal class destroyer), HMCS Quebec (8500-ton training cruiser) and HMCS Swansea (frigate).—National Defence photo.

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