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WEATHER FORECAST
Kootenay: Cloudy with snow flurries. Milder. Wind light. Low and high at Cranbrook 12 and 25. Crescent Valley 23 and 28. Outlook for Christmas Day cloudy.

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Reduce Floor Price of Bacon

10 Per Cent Drop Set; Indicates Big Bounce Downwards for Farm Prices

By HAROLD MORRISON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP) — Agriculture Minister Gardner today announced a 10-per-cent reduction in the floor price as a prelude to completion of a new bacon contract with the United Kingdom.

Mr. Gardiner said that effective Monday, Jan. 2, 1950, the Meat Board will be authorized to pay $32.50 for 100 pounds of bacon, on the basis of Grade "A" Wiltshire sides delivered at Canadian seaboard for shipment to the U.K.

This is a sharp cut from the $36 a hundredweight which prevailed during 1949 and appeared to be another indication that farm prices in 1950 will take the biggest bounce downwards since the end of the Second World War,

Mr. Gardiner made the announcement at a Press conference which ranged over the whole field of Anglo-Canadian food contracts, and specifically the forecast of a cheese contract.

Mr. Gardiner emphasized that the $32.50 floor price established for bacon does not necessarily mean that Canada will receive that price from the U. K.

The U. K. price will not be higher but it may be slightly lower. It will be disclosed when details of the new bacon contract are made known simultaneously in Ottawa and London shortly.

He also declined to disclose the amount of bacon that will be shipped, but indicated it may total 60,000,000 or 70,000,000 pounds, about the same as was shipped this year.

As for cheese, "cheese producers may feel assured that there will be a cheese contract with the British which will take care of the expected surplus," Mr. Gardiner said.

This surplus may amount to about 80,000,000 pounds in 1950 and here again the price which the U. K. will pay is expected to be lower than the 30-cent-a-pound realized this year. Under the 1949 contract Canada shipped 50,000,000 pounds.

DECLINES EGG PRICE REPORT

He declined to clarify the situation on price suport for eggs. Egg prices fell 10 to 20 cents a dozen in some parts of Canada during the last week. This resulted from Mr. Gardiner's announcement the recent Dominion - Provincial Agriculture conference that the U. K. will buy no eggs from Canada next year.

Mr. Gardiner confirmed that the U. K. will pay for Canadian bacon next year will come out of deferred wheat shipments.

It will mean that Canada will defer shipment of about 15,000,000 bushels of a 140,000,000-bushel contract, allowing the U. K. to take delivery of the deferred wheat in the early months of the 1950-51 crop year, at 1949 prices.

Wheat appeared to be in the strongest position of any of the foodstuffs.

The floor price for bacon, said Mr. Gardiner, will be in effect only for the period in which the meat Boart takes delivery under the projected U. K. bacon deal.

He forecast that the meat Board probably could get all the bacon it needs to fill the contract before next June.

"By that time, we probably will have to open the border to shipments into the United States."

Just when to lift restrictions against shipping to the U. S. was a problem, Mr. Gardiner said. By lifting the restrictions, Canada also would have to lift the embargo against the import of U. S. pork which sells slightly below Canadian prices.

At the moment the hog run—production—was at its peak in the U. S., but in the Summer it was at a low point.

He indicated that is might be better to wait until next June before the Government acted.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP)—Canadian hog producers will be disappointed with the floor-price cut on bacon, H. H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, said tonight.

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP)—Agriculture Minister Kennedy of Ontario said tonight that he was "very pleased and thankful" that Canada had a new bacon contract with the United Kingdom.

Quiet Christmas at Home Planned by Most Canadians

By The Canadian Press

Canadians prepared today to celebrate Christmas with traditional holly and mistletoe and all the other trimmings but few could expect to see snow-covered roof tops.

In Winnipeg it was clear and cold and likely to stay that way with the ground covered with snow. Light snow fell on Toronto Friday afternoon, but it melted as it hit the ground. It was likely to rain on Christmas day in Vancouver. Montreal was resigned to a green Christmas. Ottawa had also given up hope.

But even gray, bare streets couldn't dampen the Christmas spirit as frantic last-minute shoppers crowded brightly-lit business sections.

Two big Christmas trees were standing at the corner of Portage and Main in downtown Winnipeg and another one at the City Hall. A 110-foot tall lumberjack lit with 2500 lights stood in Vancouver's Eaton Square. One Montreal store window showed an angel doll, playing a piano with music synchronized to her finger movements.

Liquor stores were crowded and there was no sign of a shortage. Police issued their annual warning: "If you drink, don't drive." Toronto's Chief Coroner, Smirle Lawson added: "Don't even walk, even if you can. Drunken pedestrains are just as much a menace as drunken drivers."

In Quebec City some 200,000 were expected to celebrate Mass at midnight on Christmas Eve. The greatest holiday of the Christian calendar had special significance this year because of the inauguration of the Roman Catholic Holy Year.

Most Canadians planned to celebrate Christmas quietly in their homes of their friends and there were few public festivities.

BIDAULT WINS CONFIDENCE VOTE

Tests Discussion Of Prosposed Budget for 1950

PARIS, Dec. 24 (Saturday) — (AP) — Premier Georges Bidault early today won a vote of confidence by a narrow margin on the national budget proposed by his Coalition Government.

The vote in the National Assembly, the Lower House of France's Parliament, was 303 to 297 for the Opposition. The Preimer's main objective was to head off an opposition vote of 311, which would have meant the resignation of the Cabinet.

The test was on whether the Assembly would begin discussing the Cabinet's proposed 1950 budget or a smaller opposition budget sponsored by the Assembly's Finance Committee.

The Cabinet proposed an expenditure of 2,257,000,000,000 francs ($7,040,000,000). The committee drew up a smaller budget, which would be left unbalanced by 23,000,000,000 francs unless additional taxes were levied to meet it.

Parliamentary observers said the narrow margin of Bidault's victory made uncertain the future of his Coalition Government during the coming days. Bidault, a member of the middle-of-the-road Mouvement Republicain Populaire, has held office since Oct. 28.

Washington Again Warns Ships of Shanghai Blockade

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP) —The Government warned American ship captains today that they may lose their licences if they take their ships into Shanghai waters.

The State Department announced that this warning has twice been given to the skipper of the Isbrantsen Line's Flying Arrow.

The most recent warning was from American officials at Pusan, Korea, on Dec. 20.

A general warning was issued by the United States on Dec. 17 to all shipping companies and ship masters. This said the Port of Shanghai and its approaches "constitute a zone of danger" which is extremely hazardous to shipping because of the Chinese Nationalist blockade.

No Protest From India Regarding Pakistan Deal

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP)—An External Affairs Department official, commenting on sale of $8,000,000 worth of Canadian military arms and supplies to Pakistan, said today "it would be quite difficult to refuse exports to another Commonwealth country."

He said there has been no protest from India over the sale, although the two countries still are in heated dispute over Kashmir. India had been informed of the sales, and could find out the details from Canada's trade lists.

Believes Russ May Attack Slavs to Get Rid of Tito

BELGRADE, Dec. 23 (Reuters) — Lt.-Gen. Milan Kupershanin, one of the top-ranking commanders in the Yugoslav Army, has stated that Russia might at any moment attack Yugoslavia in an effort to get rid of Marshal Tito and liquidate the Cominform dispute.

This warning was contained in a speech at Zagrab last Wednesday, Yugoslav Army Day.

Find Slain Woman's Umbrella in Car

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23 (CP) —An umbrella owned by slain Ferne Blanche Fisher was found in a car belonging to the man charged with murder in connection with her death, police said today.

It was discovered beneath the seat of a 1934 model car owned by Fred Ducharme, 34-year-old laborer, who will appear in Police Court for a preliminary hearing next week.

Police also are checking the face of a wrist watch found in the car.

Miss Fisher's bruised body was found in False Creek here Nov. 9. A coroner's inquest decided the 45-year-old spinster had died from drowning.

To Fight Jerusalem Internationalization

CAIRO, Dec. 23 (AP) — An Arab News Agency dispatch tonight from Amman, Hashemit Jordan, quoted King Abdullah as saying he will fight any attempt to enforce the United Nations' internationalization of Jerusalem.

GRAND OPENING FOR HOLY YEAR

Thousands of Pilgrims At Procession

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (REUTERS)—Pope Pius this morning mounted his crimson throne to be borne shoulder-high to the one of the greatest moments of his career—opening of Jubilee Holy Year of the Roman Catholic Church.

The grandiose ceremonies, centring around the Pope, 20 Cardinals, dozens of Bishops and hundreds of Priests, began as the noble guard, formed from the Aristocracy of Rome, brought the Pope from his Austere private apartment in the Vatican Palace. From early morning the 74-year-old Pontiff had been absorbed in prayer in his small private chapel.

As the crimson throne swayed down the great halls and corridors to the Sistine Chapel, the Swiss guard—in 16th century uniforms of slashed red, blue and yellow—sprang to attention with halberds erect.

The prelates accompanied the Pope into the chapel. With his Cardinals ranged behind him, the Pope fell on his knees before the Sistine Altar where the Blessed Sacrament was exposed in a golden monstrance in the blaze of 62 candles.

The procession turned into the Portico of St. Peter's, and six silver trumpets sounded suddenly, breaking into the solumn chant of the choir. The crystal notes quivered through the huge Portico, out over the square and into the Basilica itself, where 50,000 waiting Pilgrims stirred in expectancy.

WHITE CHRISTMAS PROMISED FOR MOST OF U. S.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 (AP)—Santa Claus will have perfect sleighriding conditions over much of the United States Christmas Eve.

A good snow cover — one that will remain because of chilly temperatures — stretched across the mid-section of the country tonight. Forecasters said "it looks like it will hang on."

The snow band extended from the Southeast half of Kansas up across Southern Iowa, Northern Missouri, over most of Michigan, Northern Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota; the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Utah.

No Immediate Ruling On Air Lines Hearings Expected

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP)—Canada's Air Transport Board likely won't rule on its Colonial Air Lines hearing until Canadian-United States Inter-Government talks on the June air agreement are completed, a spokeman for the External Affairs Department said today.

His statement said he "would be very surprised" if the Board made an earlier ruling on whether Colonial's Canadian licence should be cancelled. It added new fuel to the International issue and raised the posibility of a moderation in Canada's stand.

Biological Mystery Absorbs Scientists

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP) — Scientists here are attempting to solve an amazing biological mystery which is costing the British Columbia fur industry thousands of dollars.

In about two years rabbit, grouse, marten, lynx and séveral other wild game will die off by the tens of thousands.

Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowna, Professor of Zoology at University of British Columbia says they will be victims of a mysterious 10-year cycle which produces a peak population about every 10 years and drops to a drastic low during inbetween periods.

Scientists in half a dozen provinces are working on the problem.

Dr. Cowan, with Dr. William Rowan of the University of Alberta, are studying the latest theory that the sun spot cycle has some affect on the animals' food.

Dr. Cowan says it is "one of the most interesting and most important problems" in biology.

PRAIRIES CALLED GREATEST OIL FRONTIER IN N.A.

NEW YORK, DEC. 23 (CP)—Oilmen are calling the Canadian Prairies the "latest, greatest (and perhaps the last) oil frontier of North America," Fortune Magazine says today in a report on Canada's oil boom.

Already Alberta's proved oil reserves have passed 1,000,000,000 barrels — and many believe the province has five times that much.

"Independent United States oil men are stirring uneasily at the prospect of a sizeable import of Canadian oil," Fortune continues. "The U.S. military men, on the other hand, are pleased. To them, oil in Canada is oil in North America. It is oil that, in time of war, need not be ferried to the United States by water from distant lands. It is strategic oil, vital for defence of the hemisphere.

Pittsburgh Master And Men Agree on Christmas Turkey

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 23 (AP) —A coal operator played Santa Claus to his 600 miners today.

He gave each employee a 15-pound turkey and ordered the next pay day advanced five days.

President Leonard Sasso of Penowa Coal Company said:

"This year they need the turkeys so much, I decided to give them out regardless of conditions in the coal mines."

The miners currently are working only three days a week. On John L. Lewis' orders they will enter the pits only two days the next two weeks.

Claims King Leopold Urged to Form Gov't Outside Belgium

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23 (CP) — The Brussels newspaper Le Soir says King George VI of Britain invited King Leopold XIII in 1940, after the Germans conquered Belgium, to form a government outside enemy-occupied territory.

The independent newspaper published Thursday a letter said to have been written by King George after Belgium surrendered to the Nazis in May, 1940. King George's letter, Le Soir says, was in reply to one in which King Leopold advised Britain's ruler of his decision to remain in occupied Belgium.

Ice Jam Backs Waters Into Prince George

Damage Estimated Over $75,000 as Water Races Through Mills, Streets

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C., Dec. 23 (CP). — The noise of crunching ice floes mingled with dynamite blasts here today as flood waters of the Netchako River brought new damage to the mill district.

An ice jam, caused by mild spells alternating with cold, backed the river waters into Prince George streets and mill yards. Property damage totals more than $75,000.

Dynamite was used to divert the waters from a section of the industrial section of the city, but 200 dwellings are threatened as the river continues to rise.

Twenty-acres of mill property are under water, and the flood-tide is racing through some of the mills, causing heavy damage to machinery.

Seven of 11 district mills have been closed and 300 workers are idle.

The ice jam, built up at the confluence of the Fraser and Netchao Rivers, resembled an Arctic scene. Giant floes drifted down the river, smashing against the icy barrier. The shallow mouth of the Netchako was plugged.

Colder weather was in prospect today, increasing the danger of higher water. There is eight to 10 feet of water in some mill yards and a thin coat of ice formed as the temperature dropped. Prince George, in North-Central British Columbia, is 510 miles North of Vancouver on the Canadian National Railways. The city has a population of 8000.

Greeting Edition Christmas Day

The Daily News Christmas Greeting Issue, in which business firms and individuals from all parts of the Kootenay are represented, will be published Christmas Day.

To enable its employees to enjoy Christmas at home with their families, the Daily News will not publsh Monday, Dec. 26, or Tuesday, Dec. 27. The next issue will be published Wednesday, Dec. 28.

British Director Shot in Prague

SPRAGUE, Dec. 23 (Reuters) — An unknown assailant last night shot the director of the British Institute at Bratislava, Donald M. Brander, at his home, it was reported today. First accounts of the shooting said Brander's injuries were "not too serious."

Surgeons operated on Brander in a Bratislava Hospital last night. Two of his wounds were in the thigh and one in the hand. Two of the bullets were removed and he was said to be "resting comfortably."

Officials at the British Embassy in Prague said today there was no reason to believe there was anything involved in the attack other than an armed robbery.

Brander has been director of the British Council's Bratislava Institute for 3½ years.

Crew Escapes in Night Attire As Freighter Burns

BOSTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Squirming out on portholes and struggling through smoke-filled companionways, 40 crew members and two stewardesses escaped in nightclothes early today as explosions and flames wrecked the midship decks of the moored Norwegian freighter, Fern Bay.

One man suffered burns and the ship's Captain made his way over a cargo boom to safety in the blaze which caused loss estimated at between $100,000 and $500,000.

Flames ate through the five-deck superstructure of the 10-months-old 8000-ton vessel, out of Oslo, Norway. Her cargo was crude rubber and tea.

Coast Firms Favor Suspension of Hospital Payments

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP)—The Vancouver Sun says today that business firms here have suggested deductions for British Columbia's hospital insurance plan be temporarily suspended, and a new start on the scheme made.

The firms are quoted as saying that hospital charges could be met from general funds, pending the reorganization. Meanwhile, records could be brought up to date and the insurance plan re-launched on a sound basis.

Reprieve Granted Walter Prestyko

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP)—A reprieve was granted today to Walter Prestyko, scheduled to be hanged Jan. 6 for the murder of Michael Geluch, a retired railway worker.

Mr. Justice J. M. Coady in Supreme Court granted the 32-year-old mechanic a reprieve to Feb. 28.

William John Worobec, convicted pointly with Prestyko, was granted a similar reprieve Wednesday.

A White Christmas For U. S. President

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 23 (AP)—President Truman flew in today for a White Christmas at the family home in nearby Independence, Mo.

His personal plane, the Independence, arived at 12:45 p.m., four hours and five finutes after taking off in the rain from Washington, D. C.

Kansas City wore the traditional Christmas icing—three inches of snow that sparkled in the sun.

Had Changed Name

UORT COLBORNE, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP)—Police Chief Fred Davies said tonight that he was received evidence that George Morrison, 47-year-old Merchant seaman who was found dead in an old quarry Dec. 15, is really named George Zbetneff.

Chief Davies said he received a letter from the man's brother, Andrew Zbetneff, of Yorkton, Sask., today which said Morrison changed his name at 16 when he joined the Merchant Navy. A photo of the dead man was also sent, Chief Davies said.

Coffee Creek Slide Blocks Traffic As Nelson Suffers Near-Blizzard

Traffic kept trundling along all District highways but one despite a near-blizzard which piled up 5½ inches of snow in the Nelson area Friday. The fall was considerably heavier in other sections of West Kootenay.

H. T. Miard, District Public Works Engineer, said Friday night that all roads in the Nelson section had been plowed, and were still open to traffic.

Buses runing from Trail to Nelson experienced some difficulty in the first half of the journey from Trail to Castlegar. This portion of the road had not been plowed, but better time was made on the Castlegar - Nelson portion. Buses were arriving approximately an hour late.

The afternoon bus from Nelson to Kaslo was forced to return to Nelson, due to a snow slide on the North side of Coffee Creek. Passengers remained in Nelson overnight. Last reports were that Public Works crews were working at clearing the slide, the extent of which was not known, from the Kaslo side.

The road was plowed as far as Coffee Creek in the early afternoon by Public Works crews from Nelson, but by 8:00 p.m. another 5½ inches of snow had drifted on the road, it was reported.

City residents had their troubles, too. Parked cars became snowed in, while cars endeavoring to negotiate slippery hills were forced back time and again. City bus lines were for a time behind schedule, slippery ice underneath the snow proving their downfall. However, chains were put on, and the schedule was fairly well adhered to.

A City Public Works crew was engaged in keeping the streets clear in the evening, and earlier worked to keep the bus routes open.

The snow caused trouble not only to City motorists but to the Electrical Department. At approximately 9:30 p.m. lights suddenly blinked out in the 800 Block on Silica Street and the 600 Block on Cedar Street, due to a blown out transformer. They were out for more than an hour.

Lights were also extinguished along the North Shore at 6:10 p.m., but were restored almost as far as Willow Point by 9:30. Work to restore lighting all along the circuit continued. Cause of the blackout was not known.

Reports were not available from the Ymir road district, but the last bus from Salmo was nearly three hours late. There were a few small snowslides in the Apex area, although they did not hamper traffic to any extent.

Believe Politburo At Full Strength

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP)—There are reasons to believe that Russia's politburo has been brought to its full strength of 14 members.

It seems likely that at least two members have been added recently to the group which rules the Soviet Union through its rule of the Communist Party.

These men are A. M. Suslov, high in the Councils of the Communist International Information Bureau (Cominform) and P. K. Ponomarenko, former Premier of White Russia.

Another member may also have been added. The name of Matvei Shkiryatov, little known outside the borders of the U. S. S. R., keeps popping up frequently in high places now. If he has been added to the politburo, either the membership has been increased, or another man was dropped.

Moves like this have been expected for some time. The politburo, which includes Stalin and the other top figures of the Soviet Hierarchy, has been down to 12 memebrs since the death of Andrie Zhdanov and the disappearance from sight of Nikolai A. Voznesensky, once the Chairman of State planning.

Pope Pius Pleads for Peace, Christianity

By FRANK BRUTTO

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 23 (AP)—Pope Pius appealed today to all who believe in Jesus Christ to unite under the Roman Catholic Church in a solid front against militant advances of atheism.

The Pope's speech, his annual Christmas message, was addressed to the whole world on the eve of the 1950 Holy Year. There seemed little doubt that the address was an invitation to all those professing Protestant faiths to join with the Church of Rome.

The Pope also expressed hope that those who have been members of the Roman Catholic Church and have strayed away would return to the fold like the Prodigal Son.

The Christmas message, the 11th the Pope has given, was in reply to Christmas greetings from the College of Cardinals. He spoke in Italian from the Vaticaan's Consistorial Hall. The speech was rebroadcast around the world in 23 languages.

PLEA FOR JUSTICE

The Pope made a strong plea for social justice, asking both social systems of capitalism and Communism—though he did not mention them by name—to return to Christianity and legitimate liberties and rights. He criticized the negation of fundamental rights and the enslavement of men to totalitarian States.

The Pope hoped that the 1950 Holy Year will be a year of peace and not of war, a year of justice and not of national egoism. He encouraged workers to defend their "just aspirations", but said the possession of material wealth without faith in God is of little use.

The Pope spoke for 40 minutes, ending his message with an Apostolic Benediction to the world.

The ceremonies opening the Holy Year are scheduled to begin about 10 a.m. tomorrow (3 a.m. C.S.T.).

TRUMAN'S MESSAGE TO POPE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—President Truman told Pope Pius in a Christmas message the United States "gladly rededicates its efforts to the creation of a peaceful and advancing world order."

The Pontiff said in reply:

"We invoke the light, assistance and blessing of the Christ Child upon you and your work, as well as on all your fellow citizens, who courageously strive to find a peaceful future for mankind."

Emergency Action To Keep U. S. Train Running

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—The Government today took emergency action to keep trains running despite the curb John L. Lewis has clamped on United States coal production.

It gave the U. S. carrier first call on produced in mines which normally provide them with such fuel.

Question British Gain In China Recognition

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP) — Though British recognition of Mao Tze-tung's Chinese Communist Government appears to be near, some quarters wondered today how much Britain stands to gain by it.

The British Government appears to have followed this line of reasoning in decided to accept the Peiping regime:

1. Britain has a $930,000,000 investment in schools, churches and industries in China.

2. Recognition will permit her to do business with the Reds, thus salvaging these stakes.

3. Withholding recognition from a government no longer is the powerful weapon it once was in international diplomacy, so giving it would only be facing the hard facts.

Freak Twister Sweeps Into Wash. Town

LONG BEACH, Wash., Dec. 23 (AP)—A freak twister swept in off the Pacific into residential district near noon today, tearing the roof off one house and damaging several others. No one was hurt.

The twister, first ever reported here, followed a narrow path approximately 50 feet wide.

Power lines were damaged but repairs were quickly made.

First Bronze Plaque Received, To Be Placed on Cenotaph by New Year

The first bronze plague for the Nelson Cenetaph has been received from Vancouver, and Nelson Cenetoph Committee officials said Friday it was hoped that the plaque would be placed on the Vernon Street, memorial to the war fallem before the new year.

The title plaque which measures three feet by 20 inches is on display at the Canadian Legion. A special ceremony will be held at the Cenotaph when the other three plaques have been received and placed on the memorial.

The Committee is making an appeal for further names of Nelson and District men who gave their lives in both World Wars before the last plaque is made. The names at hand will be published for possible corrections and odditors.

A total of $1327 has been contributed towards the Cenotaph fund by citizens and organizations of Nelson to date and there are possibilities that further donations may yet be received.

And in This Corner —

DENVER, Dec. 23 (AP)—"Dennis bit me and I swallowed the watch."

So ended a tussle between Dale Tolmich, 5, and his brother, a year younger. Dale had put the watch in his mouth for safe-keeping.

Lots of soft foods, the doctor prescribed—the rest is just a matter of time."

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Dec. 23 (AP)—Left-handed check writers have received an unexpected Christmas present from the Merchants Bank and Trust Company. It has started distribution of specially-designed, left-handed checkbooks—reverses of the conventional type—to its estimated 500 left-handed customers.

They open from the left and have the stub on the right.

PAWTUCKET, R.I., Dec. 23 (AP) — Elias Hallal has lost his Christmas cheer. He reported that 37 bottles of whisky, carefully hidden away, had been stolen from his home.

GREENVILLE, S.C., Dec. 23 (AP)—Airedales don't fly; Coach dogs don't coach, and Doberman Pincers seldom pinch—so why should a Spitz?

L. M. Mahon, a plumber, reported yesterday his four-year-old Spitz, Snookie, has been chewing tobacco daily most of her life. She just swallows the stuff, Mahon said.

LIVERPOOL, England, Dec. 23 (AP)—George Clitherow, a Liverpool jeweler, is 70 years old.

Last night a man walked into his shop, pointed a gun at him and said: "Give me the money in the safe."

"I'm an old man, anyway," Clitherow said thoughtfully. "Go ahead and shoot."

The robber's jaw dropped. So did his gun. And he ran outside and rode away on a bicycle.

STRATFORD, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP)—All one Stratford man wants for Christmas is his lower teeth. He swallowed them.

He woke up last night and couldn't find his lower set of false teeth. At the hospital doctors confirmed his worst suspicions—the teeth were lodged in his stomach. Doctors are hopeful they will reappear without an operation.

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP)—Girl dancers at Hornsey, North London, Town Hall complained that the boys were too bashful to ask them to dance.

They said further that those who did pluck up courage had a "murderous" technique.

So a rhythm campaign has been opened entitling them to ask male "wallflowers" for a dance six times during an evening.

The boys have been offered free dancing lessons.

LAST TIMES TODAY—Shows at 2:00-7:00-8:32

"That Wonderful Urge"
With
Tyrone Power—Gene Tierney

"Meet Me at Dawn"
With
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and introducing Kathryn Grayson's new sweetheart
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Mon.-Tues

Civic
A Famous Players Theatre

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Latest World News
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CHRISTMAS SONG AND STORY TO DRAW MANY AT NELSON CHURCHES

Christmas services in the Nelson churches will ring out the joy and glad tiding of the Yuletide Sunday morning, marking the anniversary of the birth of the Christ-Child.

Most of the churches will hold services at their regular time and will feature Christmas family worship services. Junior and senior choirs will play important roles in the colorful services with their renditions of ever-loved hymns and Christmas carols.

The Christmas family worship of the Trinity United Church will include all the Sunday School except beginners as well as the regular congregation. Special Christmas music will be sung by the junior and senior choirs. Sunday evening will feature a service of Christmas carols.

The Sunday sermon to be given at First Presbyterian Church by Rev. Dr. Thomas Murphy will be "The Christmas Story" and hymns and carols included during the service will be taken from "The Joyous Songs of Old."

At St. Paul's United Church both the Sunday school pupils and the church congregation will gather for a Christmas family service. Music will be sung by the Boys' Choir.

"Christ's Birthday Gift," will be the morning sermon preached at the Salvation Army Sunday while Mrs. Austin Millar will give the evening address, "The City of Lost Treasures."

Special Church services will also be held at St. Saviour's Pro-Cathedral, Church of the Redeemer, Bethel Tabernacle and First Church of Christ, Scientist.

MIDNIGHT SERVICES

Many will flock to the annual midnight services at the St. Saviour's Pro-Cathedral, Evangelical Mission Covenant Churches and to the Midnight Mass at the Cathedral of Mary Immacualte Christmas Eve. Most Rev. F. P. Clark, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Kootenay, will officiate at the St. Saviour's midnight service while Most Rev. Martin M. Johnson, D.D., Catholic Bishop of Nelson, will speak at the beautiful Catholic rites.

The Evangelical Mission Covenant Church will feature the traditional "Julotta" at the midnight service instead of the usual early Christmas morning sermon. Messages and singing during the service will be in both the English and Scandinavian languages.

The Highways

Nelson - Cranbrook - Nelson — Goatfell, Snowing and plows working; watch for construction M2-M4 East of Creston—no delay bridge detours East of Creston at Kitchener and Meadow Creek. Plows will be working between Goatfell and Cranbrook in the morning.

Nelson - Kaslo — Snowing and plowing.

Nelson-Monashee — Snowing and plowing. Monashee Pass—closed.

Nelson-Nelway — Snowing and plowing.

Nelson-Trail-Patterson — Fair to good, but snow still falling and plowing under way; watch for construction M18-M22 West of Nelson—no delay.

Nelson-Cascade—Fair with wet snow falling.

Use caution on snow roads; carry chains; watch for sno wplows. This report up to date at 5 p.m., Friday.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP)—A manslaughter charge against D. L. MacGregor of suburban Burnaby, laid following the traffic death Oct. 22 of Walter Menzies, was dismissed in police court here today. MacGregor still faces a charge of failing to remain at the scene of an accident.

Mission Covenant Concert Seen By Large Number

The Evangelical Mission Covenant Christmas Sunday School concert held in the church Friday night attracted a large crowd despite the stormy weather.

The program arranged under the direction of Mrs. Allan Smith was composed of 25 presentations.

The Christmas exercise, "Jewels for His Crown" presented by the tots, particularly caught the attention of the audience.

Recitations were given by Marilyn Stenberg, Bobby Smith, George Longden, John Peterson, Gerry Stenberg, Harvey Harris, Marilyn McEwen, Margaret Stewart, Fred Walton, Grace Playdon and Eileen Playdon.

Vocal numbers were rendered by Marlys Peterson, Delores Stenberg, Norma Harris, Lydia Walton, Grace and Eileen Playdon. The various Sunday school classes participated in the singing of a variety of songs. Also on the program was a lovely violin solo, by Gertrude Erickson.

The Master of Ceremonies was Rev. H. O. Peterson.

Following the concert, each member of the Sunday School received a gift while the other children were presented with bags of Yuletide goodies.

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Send Greetings To Outside World

SOUTH GEORGIA, Antarctica, Dec. 23 (Reuters)—The 11 British scientists awaiting rescue on ice-bound Stonigton Island, Graham Land, today sent Christmas greetings to the outside world.

A message picked up by the relief ship John Biscoe, now at anchor here, said:

"All members of Stonigton Base join together in forwarding a special Christmas message to Reuters requesting them to send Christmas greeting to all peoples of the British Empire from the most Southerly community."

The Weather

Synopsis: Weather conditions have improved considerably over the Southern B.C. Coast in the wake of a storm. Several points on Vancouver Island the Lower Mainland reported over an inch of rain. This storm is also giving heavy snowfalls in the Southern Interior of the Province.

Variable cloudiness is expected over the Province with a few snowflurries persisting in the Interior.

A storm developing in the Pacific is continuing to move Eastward bring with it the prospect of a wet but green Christmas along the Coast and a white Christmas in the Interior.

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Crescent Valley	19	26	.43
Kaslo	-19	29	.40
Grand Forks	16	22	.05
Spokane	16	38	.28

To Review Interim Freight Rate Increase

Board of Transport Commissioners indicated today it will review a decision it handed down in September awarding Canadian Railways an interim freight-rate increase of eight per cent.

The Board said it will hear further submissions in the first week of February on a railway application, filed early in 1948, for an increase of 20 per cent.

Leukemia Patient Still Improving

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP)—Billy B., one of the first to be treated with the drug ACTH for Leukemia, continues to show improvement, officials of the hospital for sick children said today.

Nurses said seven-year-old Billy, whose last name was not disclosed, is cheerful and one of the hospital's most popular patients.

Convicted of Theft

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP) — William Louis Price, 56, whom police termed a "Bunco Artist," today was convicted of a $5000 theft and sentenced to five years in penitentiary.

Officers testified that Price had swindled a Vancouver man out of the money in a fake stock market deal. The victim's name was not disclosed.

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Britain Asking if Commonwealth Will Send Ambassadors

LONDON, Dec. 23 (Reuters) — Britain is asking the other Commonwealth Governments whether they wish to change the status of diplomatic representation with Britain from that of High Commissioner to that of Ambassador, it was learned on usually reliable authority today.

According to this source, the replies so far received show a wide divergence of view.

India is known to wish to be represented in London by an Ambassador after the inauguration of the Indian Republic at the end of January.

But some other Commonwealth Governments strongly oppose the idea.

British officials in London refuse to comment.

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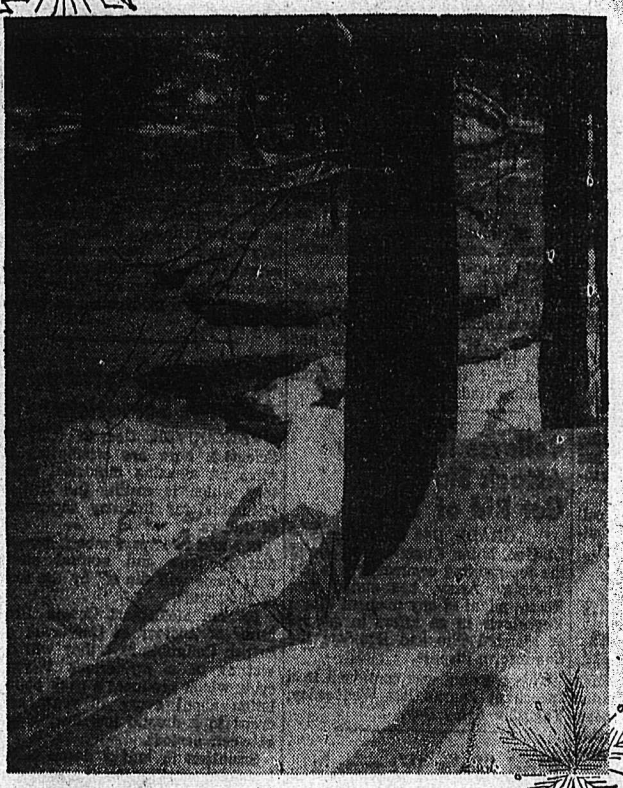

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MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP)— A Crown witness testified in court today that certain former employees of the Montreal Income-Tax Division fleeced the Federal Treasury over a period of seven years.

The evidence was given during preliminary hearing of Paul Picard, former Income Tax Assessor, who faced a charge of breach of trust. He is also accused of forgery and uttering income tax reports between 1943 and 1947 and of having obtained $37,344 by false pretences.

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Lewis' Plans for Miners Keep America Guessing

By HAROLD W. WARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP) — President Truman's new refusal to step into the coal dispute set off more talk today of the possibility of a strike or lock-out after Jan. 1.

John L. Lewis's miners will work only Tuesday and Wednesday of the next two holiday weeks. After that the big question is whether Lewis will close the mines entirely in a real test of strength.

Those who argue that this is Lewis's plan think he adopted the three-day work week Dec. 1 just to put some Christmas money into his miners' pockets.

NO OPINION

President Truman would not offer any opinion at his press conference yesterday on whether the three-day week was causing a fuel emergency.

He reiterated that if an emergency develops he will take the necessary action to halt it—presumably by seeking an 80-day injunction under the Taft-Hartley Labor Act, which up to now he has avoided.

Carol Services For Burton, Arrow Park, Nakusp

NAKUSP, B. C., Dec. 23— Carol services were held in the Parish of the Arrow Lakes at Burton Arrow Park and Nakusp.

At St. John's, Arrow Park, the Sunday School Christmas program was held in conjunction with the Carol Service, recitations and songs also scripture passages, being read by pupils and teachers, interspersed with carols.

HEAR NEW CHOIR

At St. Mark's, Nakusp, the Carol Service was repeated with the newly formed surpliced choir. Dennis Stanley led in the procession as Cross bearer. Miss F. Bown sponsored the choir.

Rev. Thomas Mitchell read the scripture lessons between the Carol music and gave a short address on ships worship, friendship and stewardship, from the carol, "I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing in on Christmas Day in the Morning."

Nakusp Pythian Sisters Note 29th Anniversary

NAKUSP, B. C., Dec. 23—Nakusp Pythian Sisters of Myrtle Temple celebrated their 29th anniversary, when whist was the chief entertainment. High score winners were Mr. and Mrs. W. Robson, Mrs. P. Hurry and Mrs. F. Johnson.

A. B. S. Stanley was presented with a certificate and gift from the order in recognition of his 25 years membership.

Mrs. I. F. Morehouse on behalf of the Order, welcomed the visitors. Miss Hazel Herridge, Past Chief, who donated the birthday cake, was asked to cut the cake.

Contests and dances were enjoyed.

Sanca....

SANCA, B. C.,—Mrs. L. Jones of New Westminister was a visitor with Mrs. E. M. Wilson of Sanca Park. She was accompanied as far as Spokane with Mrs. Wilson and they spent a week there visiting freinds.

Mrs. E. M. W. visited freinds along the lake before leaving to spend the Winter months with her brother K. Mulloy at South Slocan.

Mrs. Ira Foster has returned home after visiting her daughter in Kimberley.

Len Wilson was called to Vancuover on account of the serious illness of his father who passed away.

New Denver

NEW DENVER, B. C.—Mr. and Mrs. Norman Brookes are leaving to spend the Christmas holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crook, and their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Allyn and family, all of Oliver, B. C.

H. J. Kelsall returned from U.B.C. Wednesday to spend the Yuletide holidays with his mother and sister, Mrs. A. D. Kelsall and Miss Florence A. Moss.

Miss Lessels Balbirnie, who is on the teaching staff at Lumby, B. C., arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Balbirnie, and brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Balbirnie.

Tito Praises Troops

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Dec. 23 (AP)—Premier Tito praised his troops tonight as "one of the best armies in Europe" and called upon them to defend Yugoslavia against all threats from any direction. He spoke on the anniversary of the formation, eight years ago, of his band of partisans which fought German and Italian invaders. Officers and enlisted men made up his audience.

Camp Lister . . .

CAMP LISTER, B. C.—After being employed at Jaffray, B. C., for the past six weeks, Granton Skerik returned to his home in Lister.

David Mahon of Rondel was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. W. Mahon.

After visiting in Saskatoon for the past two months, Pete Shersobetoff returned to his home in Lister.

Miss Eva Huscroft of Kettle Falls arrived to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huscroft and family.

Vern Becker left to visit relatives in Manitoba and Maxim, Sask. At the latter place he will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Becker.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Olson left to visit in Tacoma, Wash., guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Mazetson.

Mrs. Ethel Smith of Huscroft is visiting in Creston, guest of Mrs. M. Young.

Nakusp . . .

NAKUSP, B. C.—Mrs. V. Veltzel of East Arrow Park was a Nakusp visitor en route to Kimberley where she will spend Christmas with her husband, F. Vetzel.

Miss Bernice Jordan returned from Vancouver where she attends U.B.C. and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Jordan.

Russell Hoy and his brother Orin who attend University in Vancouver, arrived to spend their Christmas vacation, guests of their mother, Mrs. M. Hoy.

Leonard Parent who is attending U.B.C., arrived to spend the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parent, Jr.

Miss Charlotte Borrow of Windsor, Ont., arrived to spend the Yuletide with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Barrow of the Lealand Hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Barrow accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. D. McCusker, and young son, Mickie, met her at Spokane by auto.

Ernest Baird, U.B.C. student, is spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. M. Baird.

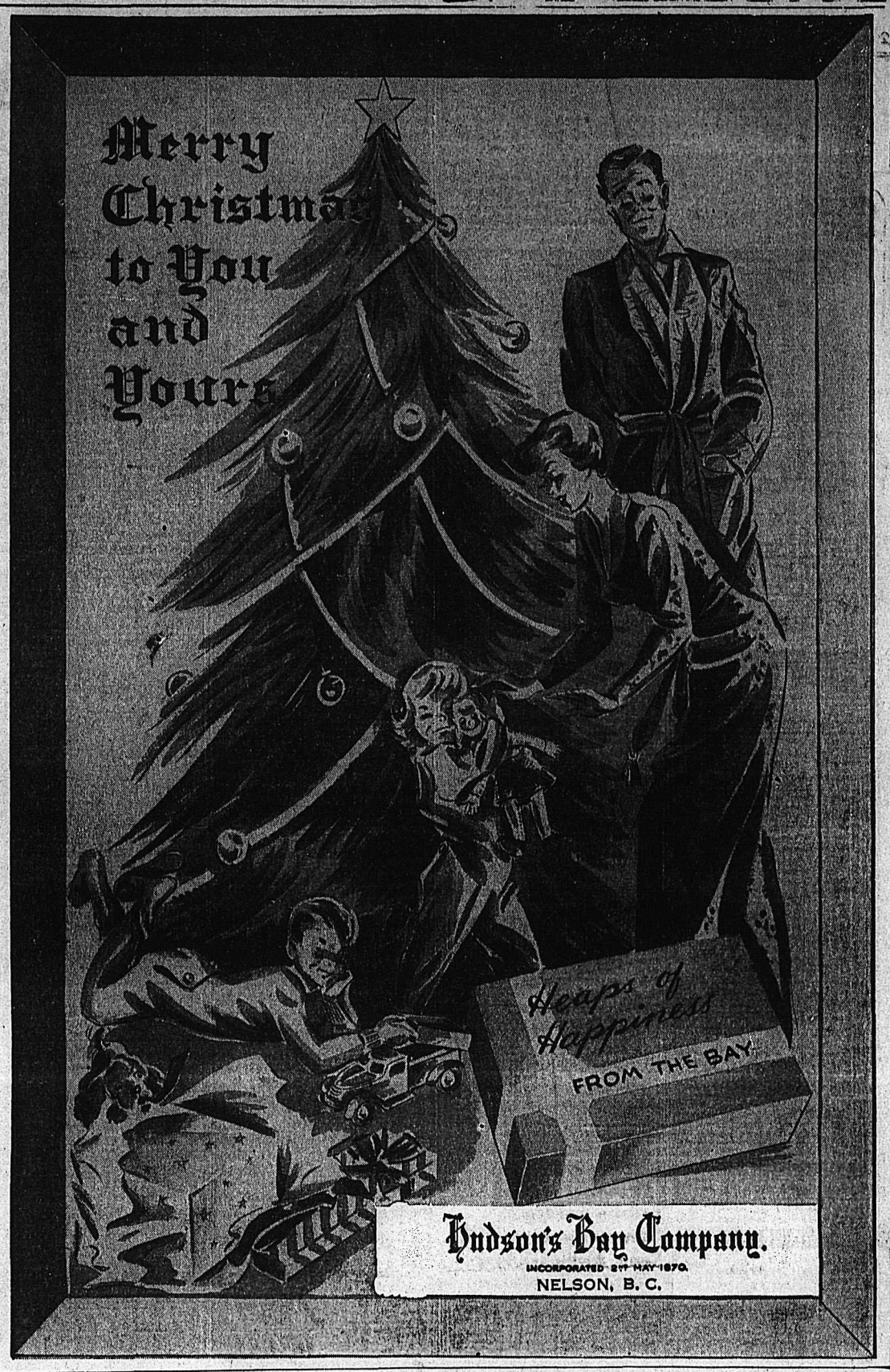
Delbert Olson is the holiday guest of his mother, Mrs. Elsie Olson. Delbert is attending U.B.C.

Louie Yurik, who is an apprentice in the ship-building industry in Vancouver, arrived to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yurik.

Mrs. Walter Wright who has spent an extended holiday in the U. S. A., has returned.

Mrs. Donald Easton and young son Michael, arrived from Vancouver. Mr. Easton will arrive on the 24th and the family will spend the Yuletide holidays with Mrs. Easton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Leary.

Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Morehouse left to spend Christmas holidays at the Coast.



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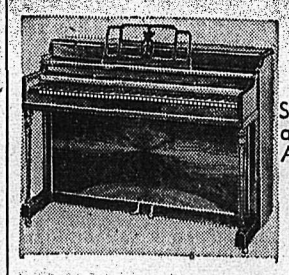

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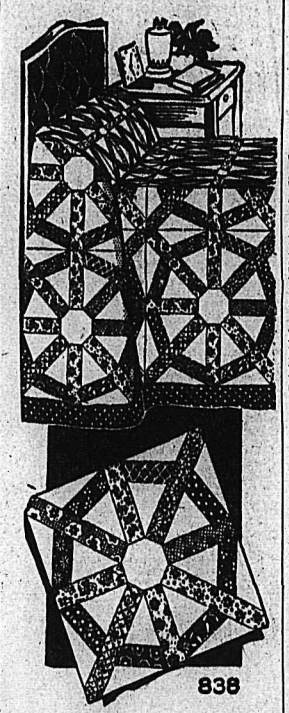

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Two Asphyxiated In Calgary Fire

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP)— Two persons died early this morning of asphyxiation in a gas-filled home here which later burst into flames and was almost completely destroyed. A third person was saved by firemen.

Dead are: W. A. Laraway, 72, and his grandson Darrall Cull, 2.

Rescued was Darrall's sister, Deidre, 7.

Firemen pulled the children from the smoking gas-filled home but after nearly two hours of artificial respiration they were unable to revive Laraway and Darrall.

Police and a neighbor took the grandfather through a window in the six-room house. The only other occupant, Mrs. Violet Cull, mother of the two children and daughter of Laraway was absent from home.

Firemen said gas jets were on in radiants throughout the house and that the fire apparently started in the living room and spread until flames burst through the roof.

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Mrs. J. A. Greer Named President New Denver W. I.

NEW DENVER, B. C., Dec. 23—The New Denver Women's Institute annual meeting and Christmas entertainment was held in the Legion Hall.

Financial statement and correspondence was read by the Secretary-Treasurer. Five dollars was gratefully received from the Catholic Women's League for the Cemetery Fund.

Mrs. J. L. Canty took the chair for the election of officers. Mrs. W. G. Teir, Secretary, and Mrs. C. W. Nelson and Miss Jean Elder acted as scrutineers.

The following were elected: President, Mrs. James A. Greer; Vice President, Mrs. Fred B. Tessman; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Marjorie H. Butlin; Directors, Mrs. A. L. Harris and Mrs. T. W. Clarke.

A program was presented by the Entertainment Committee, Miss M. H. Butlin, convener, Mrs. T. R. Buckham, Mrs. A. L. Harris, Mrs. C. W. Nelson and Mrs. W. G. Teir.

The hall and tea tables were decorated suitably to the Christmas theme. Three new members were welcomed, Mrs. R. E. Crellin, Mrs. N. F. Brookes, and Miss A. Krumenacker.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. J. A. Greer, Mrs. F. B. Tessman, Mrs. James Forsythe, Miss Frances Burkett.

WESTERN RELIEF WORK GRAND BUT KIMBERLEY CHILDREN "WONDERFUL"

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP)—If anyone wants to know how much Canadian youngsters have done to help children in less-fortunate countries, she can find out from Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova.

The executive director of the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada has just returned from an 11-week speaking tour that took her 10,000 miles throughout the four Western provinces. And she can't say enough in praise of the enthusiastic way Canadians, the youngsters in particular, have raised funds for the U.S.C.C. relief work in France, Australia, Italy and Greece.

"My most wonderful story is about Kimberley," Dr. Hitschmanova said in an interview.

School children in the British Columbia mining centre decided this year against exchanging Christmas gifts at their school party. Instead they contributed the money to help children in U.S.N.C. Rehabilitation Home.

It was the same story at nearby Chapman Camp, B. C.

Dr. Hitschmanova said that in the last two years a Girl Guide group at Flin Flon, Man., has raised $300, enough to buy artificial limbs for two of the war-mutilated children now being cared for in U.S.-C.C. centres.

RAISE $43,300

"They collected the money in five-cent and 25-cent pieces and now they have voted $10 to buy Christmas gifts for the two children."

To date the Unitarian Service Committee has raised $43,000 of this year's $50,000 objective.

It has shipped 120,000 pounds of clothing overseas.

Dr. Hitschmanova recalled that in a three-day cross-community drive, Flin Flon collected 2½ tons of clothing, sent it to the committee's Winnipeg branch which in six weeks had collected 17,000 pounds of clothing for shipment overseas.

She said her committee started working to help Greece only two months ago.

"In that time we have shipped 15,000 pounds of clothing, 2000 household utensils, and 1000 new woollen blankets."

Claims About 1200 Priests Arrested

REGENSBURG, Germany, Dec. 23 (AP)—Dr. Jaromir Psenicka, a fugitive from Czechoslovakia, told a press conference today about 1200 Czech priests have been arrested in the Communist drive against the Roman Catholic Church. Psenicka formerly was legal adviser to Archbishop Josef Beran. He said he fled West last Sunday because he learned that he, too, was to be arrested.

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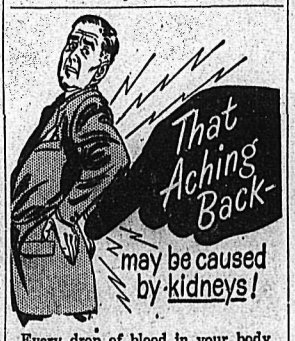

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Chirstmas Concert For Canal Flats

CANAL FLATS, B. C., Dec. 23—The Christmas Conert, held in Canal Flats Civic Centre was attended by a very large crowd who enjoyed one of the principal events of the Holiday season.

Progam included an address by H. Erskine; Recitations by Anges Berkhiem, Lorna Haynes, Leila MacDonald, Jeanette Kovacic, Dorthy Woodske, Donna Edlund, David Kovacic, and Helen Tarmastin, Tableau, Christmas Story, Division 11; Piano Solo, Diane Bannister, Agnes Berkhiem, Accompanist Lyn Mitchell; Shadow Play, Division 1; Christmas Carols, Division 1; One-Act Play, Division 1.

H. Erskine was Master of Ceremonies and Mrs. W. Lloyd pianist.

Several telegarms were received during the evening informing the children that Santa Claus was nearing the Flats, so shortly after the program was over he arrived to gladden the hearts of the children with lovely gifts and candy, oranges and nuts from the beautifully decorated Community Christmas tree.

Mrs. S. Kobza and Mrs. A. Brunner were in charge of the Christmas tree arrangements.

Crescent Valley Children's Party

CRESCENT VALLEY, B. C., Dec. 23 — The children of Crescent Valley School staged an afternoon Christmas party which took the form of a "Friendship Ring" in program, games and tree. Racial origins were tabulated and the children of such origins played and sang parts of other nationalities, forming a ring around the Christmas tree in the centre of the room.

Three playlets were "Babes in the Wood," and "The Christmas Burglar," and "Dad's Quiet Evening," all charmingly acted by the pupils. Rounding out the Friendship Ring were carols, solos, trios, and readings.

Frances Chernenkoff acted as Santa Claus and distributed the many gifts from the prettily decorated tree.

After refreshments provided by parents and teachers were taken care of, girls and boys acting as serviteurs, the program ended by a cosmopolitan series of goodnights —Brahms Lulaby, Our Meeting Now Is Ended, in Russian by 14 pupis, and Goodnight Ladies by the school.

REV. B. S. S. HARTLEY, NAKUSP, HOLDS NEW DENVER SERVICE

NEW DENVER, B. C., Dec. 23—Turner Memorial United Church was most artistically decorated with greenery cones, strings of colorful electric lights and colored candles in holders and vases of carnations for the carol and candlelight service.

The sermon by Rev. B. S. S. Hartley of Nakusp was delivered to a filled church with Mrs. Les R. Campbell, organist and choir leader, and James Draper as usher.

ELECT M. K. MARPLES PRESIDENT, WINDERMERE INSTITUTE

INVERMERE, B. C., Dec. 23 — Annual meeting of the Windermere District Farmers' Institute reelected K. M. Marples, Invermere, as President and Gordon Appleby as Secretary-Treasurer, both by acclamation. Vice-Presidents are J. A. Laird of Invermere and Ewen McIntosh of Athalmer.

Honorary President is Norman Marples of Invermere who served the organization as Secretary for many years. Honorary Vice-Presidents are Hon. H. Bowman, Thomas King, M.L.A., Hon. J. G. Gardiner, J. S. Allin and Jim Byrne, M.P.

Directors are H. H. Peters, Athalmer; Edward Thouret, Radium; George Rennenkampff, Invermere; J. L. Johnson, Invermere; George Annis, Invermere; Martin Morgeau, Fairmont; Charles Thornton, Invermere; Thomas Cameron, Windermere; Beverley Harris, Invermere.

The meeting approved a motion that th association should become a member of the East Kootenay Beef Growers Association.

RADIUM HOT SPRINGS SCHOOL TO RE-OPEN

INVERMERE, B. C., Dec. 23 — Radium Hot Springs one-room school will be re-opened January 3 after being closed for some years. Construction of the new bath house at Radium has caused a greatly increased population necessitating a conveniently situated school.

Radium children have been transported to the Athalmer-Invermere School by bus during recent years but overcrowding at the Athalmer-Invermere school prohibits any increased attendance there.

It is likely that children from Grades 1 to 4 will be kept at Radium and the older pupils transported to Athalmer-Invermere. Mrs. Chris Madsen of Radium has been engaged as teacher for the reopened school.

W. F. Dunn of Vancouver has been appointed as teacher at Edgewater to replace Mrs. Kitchenmaster who has resigned.

Plan Montreal Meet

MONTREAL, Dec. 23 (CP)—Students from 12 Canadian universities will gather here next week at a student Christian movement conference, held in Montreal, it was announced today.

Some 65 students from other Canadian cities with 20 Montrealers and a delegation from the New England States will meet here Dec. 27-Jan. 1 to discuss the theme, "Men, Machines and the Maker."

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Two Seek Aldermanic Seat

No further nominations of candidates to contest for the Nelson City Council aldermanic vacancy were received by City Clerk W. A. Gordon, Returning Officer, up to the nomination deadline at Friday noon.

Two candidates, who had previously announced themselves, were W. Stanley Smith, retired C.P.R. employee, and H. J. Witchell, commercial traveller. The successful candidate will take office for one-year to fill out the incompleted term of Norman C. Stibbs, who resigned who has since been elected Mayor for 1950-51.

Mr. Witchell was an aldermanic candidate in the Civic elections held earlier this month, but was defeated. Mr. Smith was a candidate in the 1948 elections.

Nelson citizens will vote Dec. 29.

Diphtheria Epidemic Believed Controlled

EDMONTON, Dec. 23 (CP)—A diphtheria epidemic which has taken three lives at the Halfway River Indian Reservation in the Northwest corner of British Columbia was believed under control tonight after an aircraft dropped a supply of anti-toxin.

Nelson Social

By MRS. M. J. VIGNEUX

● Mr. and Mrs. Howard Butterfield, Rosemont, have as holiday guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Selbie, Susan Jane and Colin of Duncan V. I.

● Miss Evelyn Ball who teaches in Cranbrook has arrived to spend the Yuletide vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ball 713 Railway Street.

● Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rowley, Stanley Street, will have with them over the holidays their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. King Bobby and Frankie King of Trail.

● Earl Jorgensen is home from U.B.C. to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jorgensen, 903 Mill Street.

● Julius Riesterer Sr., Robson Street, is a patient in Kotenay Lake General Hospital.

● J. H. Hazelwood left Friday to spend the holiday at his home in Vancouver.

● Mrs. J. F. Croll, Silica Street, left yesterday to spend the Yuletide holidays at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. F. Bland.

● Miss Joan Curwen, who attends Nelson Business College, has left for Salmo where she will spend her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Curwen.

● Mr. and Mrs. J. A. C. Laughton, Second Street, have as guest over the holiday their son Ivan Laughton, who is in his second year optometry at Forest Grove, Ore., where he attends Pacific University.

● The 6th Nelson Cub and Scout Mothers Auxiliary held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. Ted Swendson, 1221 Kootenay Street.

● Mrs. Gordon Hallett, Medical Arts Apartments, plans on spending Christmas at Robson with Mrs. Leslie Craufurd and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Waldie.

● Miss Bertha Boyar of New Westminster is spending the holidays at her home, 304 Delbruck Street.

● Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ward, Nelson Avenue, have as guest their duaghter, Miss Dolores Ward, who teaches in the Oakland School Victoira.

● Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson, Cedar Street, has as guest from the East her sister, Mrs. C. B. Mitchell of Woodstock, Ont., and her brother B. J. Dutton of Ingersol Ont.

● Miss Peggy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Smith, Baker Street, has arrived from Vancouver where she attends U. B. C. to spend her vacation in Nelson.

● Miss Hilma Willford, student of the Nelson Business College, has left to spend the holidays with her parents in New Denver.

● Douglas Brown, who attends Vocational School in Vancouver, has arrived to spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown, 731 Baker Street.

● Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Triggs, Willow Street, have with them for the holidays their daughter, Miss Rosalie Triggs, who attends U.B.C. in Vancouver.

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● Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Haskall and their young daughter, Ruth Romaine, motored to Spokane this week.

● Miss Edith Hughes of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria is flying to Seattle from where she takes the bus to Nelson to spend the holiday weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hughes, 524 Second Street.

● Norman Thompson student at Vancouver Normal School, has arrived to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Thompson Annabel Block.

● Miss Dorothy Price, Moose Jaw, Sask. plans to arrive today to spend the Christmas holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fouracres, Fairview.

Engagements

Mrs. Isabel Rowson of Mission City, anounces the engagement of her only daughter Barbara Alta to Robert Sydney Thain, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Thain of Nelson, B. C. The wedding will take place in Ottawa on January 16, 1950. Rev. T. Finlay officiating.

45 CHILDREN AT LIONESS PARTY

"Forty-five kidies of the Lioness Club and of Lions Club members enjoyed an afternoon of fun at a colorful Christmas party at the Hume Wedneday. Many parents also attended.

The children played various games and sang several carols. Miss Frances Boyes accompanied them on the piano.

The party was highlighted by the visit of Santa Claus. As the excited children gathered around the familiar jolly Santa, each was presented with a gift and a bag of goodies.

Ice cream and cookies rounded out an enjoyable event.

5 District Residents Become Canadians

The Secretary of State of Canada has granted certificates of citizenship, under the Canadian Citizenship Act, to five district residents. They are:

Yazo Atagi of Greenwood, sectionman; Tersilia Buna of Trail, housewife; Anders Emil Grandholm of Trail, carpenter; Chester Lenard of Rossland, operator in C.M. & S. zinc plant; Ikushi Ochiai of Grand Forks, laborer.

Approval of their applications was reported in the current Canada Gazette.

TWO-DAY HOLIDAY FOR POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES

Nelson postmen and Post Office employees will be among the many who will enjoy the Christmas weekend as a long holiday this year.

Officials reported Friday that the Post Office would be closed all day Sunday while on Monday the lobby would remain open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday will be a regular work day for the employees and wickets will be open all day.

There will be no mail delivery Sunday or Monday.

ACCIDENT VICTIMS PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY

Charles Jeffs, John Lyons and Ernest Duford, three Nelsonites injured in a truck-train collision at the Tarrys railway crossing Thursday were reported "coming along satisfactorily" Friday night.

The three men were injured when their truck stalled on the tracks at a crossing 18 miles West of Nelson and was hit by a freight train en route to Trail.

Asbestos Miners Will Sign Pact

QUEBEC, Dec. 23 (CP)—Asbestos miners at the Ford mines, Que., are prepared to sign a collective agreement for 1949 under recent recommendations of an Arbitration Board, it was announced today.

The Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor issued a copy of a letter it sent to Labor Minister Mitchell yesterday.

The letter said it was "unjust and immoral" to link recommendation of a 10-cent hourly pay increase, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1949, to the signing of a similar contract for 1950.

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP)—A bill which would free the British stage from censorship has been pigeonholed indefinitely.

Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, told the Commons he regretted there was not time to discuss the bill before the present Parliament was prorogued Dec. 16.

W. A. MacCabe, 22 Years at S. Slocan, Dies

William Archibald MacCabe, a resident of South Slocan where he had been employed for 22 years by the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, died Friday morning in the Kootenay Lake General Hospital after a brief illness. Mr. MacCabe was widely popular and active in the down-river community.

Mr. MacCabe was born in Nova Scotia, 48 years ago. He resided in Miami, Arizona, before coming to South Slocan.

Mr. MacCabe was a member of St. Matthew's Anglican Church at South Slocan and church warden or treasurer for the past six years. He was also active in South Slocan Boy Scout work.

Beside his wife, Winnifred, he is survived by one son, Bruce; one brother, Roy and one sister, Mrs. John Sinclair of Truro, Nova Scotia.

Christmas Music To Be Broadcast By Redeemer Tonight

Fairview residents of Nelson will be treated to a program of Christmas music tonight.

Carols, chimes and bells will be broadcast from the Church of Redeemer over the Austen Thompson Memorial amplification system beginning at 7:30 and continuing for about an hour. The system was first heard Dec. 5, 1948, and under favorable weather conditions the recordings can be heard over most of the Fairview area, and directly across the West Arm.

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Christmas Church Services

Come to the Church of your faith on Christmas Day

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Josephine and Silica Streets

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Mrs. C. W. Tyler, Choir Leader and Organist

11:00 a.m.—CHRISTMAS FAMILY WORSHIP, including all the Sunday School except the Beginners' meeting downstairs also at 11:00. Special Christmas Music by the Junior and Senior Choirs.

7:30 p.m.—CAROL SERVICE.

Wednesday, 2:30 p.m.—Annual Sunday School Christmas Party for Pre-School, Beginners, Primary and Juniors and their families and friends in the Church Hall.

New Year Sunday—Sunday School and Services at the regular times.

Bethel Tabernacle

708 Baker Street
REV. I. M. PRESLEY, Pastor

11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Special Christmas Services

4:15 p.m.—Bethel Fireside Hour.

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Presbyterian Church in Canada

First Presbyterian Church
Kootenay and Victoria Streets

Minister—Rev. Thomas Murphy, B.A., Th.M., Th.D.
Organist—Margaret C. MacKay, B.A., B.Ed.

11:00 a.m.—Sunday School classes assemble.

11:00 a.m.—Sermon: "The Christmas Story."
Music: "The Joyous Songs of Old."

7:30 p.m.—Bible Interpretation: "John Three, Sixteen."
At these Anniversary services you may re-discover the Babe of Bethlehem, God's "only Son."

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SUNDAY —
2:00 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class
3:00 p.m.—Devotional Service
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.

Subject:
"More Sure Words of Prophecy. Concerning the Birth of Christ."
Speaker: Mr. A. Harvey

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St. Paul's United Church

Minister: Rev. A. L. Anderson, B.A., B.D., S.T.M.
Director of Music: Mrs. T. J. S. Ferguson, B.A., A.T.C.M.

11:00 a.m.—CHRISTMAS FAMILY SERVICE.
Sunday School and church together. Music by the Boys' Choir.

7:30 p.m.—SERVICE OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC.
By the Senior Choir and Choristers.

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Sunday Service—11:00 a.m.

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SATURDAY — DECEMBER 24th
7:30 p.m.—Children's Christmas Service.
SUNDAY — DECEMBER 25th
8:30 a.m.—Lutheran Hour CJAT Trail.
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE.
10:30 p.m.—Family Worship Hour CJAT Monday through Friday

Evangelical Mission Covenant

Rev. H. O. Peterson, Pastor

Saturday, Dec. 24:
11:30 p.m.—Christmas Eve Service. Messages, singing, in the English and Scandinavian languages. This takes the place of the "Julotta" service. All welcome.

Sunday, Dec. 25:
No Sunday School or 11:00 forenoon service.
7:30 p.m.—Christmas service.
9:30 p.m.—Broadcast, CKLN

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CHRISTMAS EVE:

11:30 p.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.
CELEBRANT AND PREACHER—THE BISHOP

CHRISTMAS DAY:

8:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.
9:30 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION—WILLOW POINT.
11:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.
CELEBRANT AND PREACHER—THE DEAN
3:00 p.m.—CAROL SERVICE AT WILLOW POINT.

First Baptist Church

Stanley Street

11:00 a.m.
Combined Church service and Sunday School.
Speaker: Mr. N. R. McPhedran.

Musical items by Misses Doris and Frances Boyes, Mr. R. Anderson and Young People's group.

7:30 p.m.
Carol service and colored slides "Christmas Blessings."

"O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord."

Church of the Redeemer

(Anglican)
FAIRVIEW

CANON W. J. SILVERWOOD, A.K.C., B.Sc., Vicar

8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
No evening service.
South Slocan service 11:00 a.m. By the Bishop of the Diocese.

Salvation Army

513 Victoria Street
Lieutenant Austin Millar

11:00 a.m.
Mr. Millar will preach on "Christ's Birthday Gift"
7:30 p.m.
Mrs. Millar will preach on "The City of Lost Treasure"
December 31:
11:00 p.m.
New Year's Watch Night Service

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Joe Vulcano.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Funeral services for the late William Archibald MacCabe of South Slocan will be held from the Church of the Redeemer at Fairview, Tuesday at 2 p.m. Rev. Canon W. J. Silverwood will officiate. Interment will be in the Nelson Memorial Park.

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For the All-Canada Route

British Columbia has a particular interest in the movement in Alberta to have the proposed pipe line for the export of natural gas to the Pacific coast laid through the Yellowhead Pass in the Jasper area and thence Southward through the Kamloops, Princeton and Hope districts to Vancouver. The alternative route — Southward through Alberta into Idaho and then Westward through Washington and Southward to Portland — would be of little benefit to this Province as far as natural gas is concerned, and would present numerous other disadvantages from which the Yellowhead Pass plan of the Westcoast Transmission Company Limited is free.

The maintenance road that would parallel a pipe line from Edmonton through the Yellowhead Pass to Vancouver would provide additions to the existing highway system that would be of great importance in future development, points out the Victoria Daily Times. The feeder lines that could be run off the main line would supply natural gas at minimum cost to communities in the Southern Interior of British Columbia which at present are not so served. A loop from Kamloops, taking in Vernon, Kelowna, Penticton and Trail, for instance, would open up facilities of great promise. The export market to Portland would still be served, but it would be a market to be supplied after the needs of British Columbia had been filled. The route through the United States would put Vancouver in the position of being able to expect only the surplus unused by the American market.

The advantage of spending the major portion of the $70,000,000 construction costs in Canada rather than in the United States, is, of course, immediately obvious, and the prospects of development for Alberta and British Columbia areas now isolated from transportation and fuel facilities are readily apparent. These are among the considerations of importance to the Dominion, and particularly to its Western Provinces, to which it is hoped the Alberta Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board will give full weight in assessing the merits of the pipe line companes' applications now before it.

A Big Christmas

It's been a prosperous year for West Kootenay folk, if reports from Nelson Post Office are an indication. There a busy staff has handled up to 32,698 letters and cards in a single day of the Christmas mailing rush. Parcel mail was correspondingly heavy. A new stamp sale record has been set at $1100 in a single day, the same day that the seasonal movement reached its peak and 1370 bags of mail were handled.

It looks like a prosperous as well as merry Yuletide.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

Sees Danger of Civic Clique Control Unless Greater Interest Shown

To the Editor:

Sir—Since the City, Municipality and Village elections are over, it might not be amiss to study and consider our way of handling these elections.

What one reads in the papers and what one hears would make a person wonder about our so-called democratic way of government, especially pertaining to local affairs.

I notice where one place had three candidates nominated for Reeve, these three then withdrew their nominations and a fourth party went in by acclamation.

In another village, 83 people voted, but there were 84 ballots in the ballot box when the count was made, but in our method of conducting our village elections this was easily rectified. The returning officer and the poll clerk went over the voters' list until they found a name that was not on the poll book, wrote this name in, and then they had 84 voters and 84 ballots.

In another case, the Village Clerk put up a notice that the polls would be open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., yet the poll did not open until 10 a.m. Most other, if not all polls were open from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Maybe each village has the power to arrange its own polling time.

I have heard of several other instances of laxity in conducting our local elections, and also strange things in campaigning. One case I have heard of, the wife of an American was very busy getting voters to the polls. I suppose we should offer a hearty vote of thanks, as she showed us Canadians what we as citizens should be doing.

My only reason for writing the above is to call to the attention of our citizens the lack of interest shown by a large number of the voters in affairs pertaining to their local Government, and unless more interest and watchfulness is taken by the citizens, they will find themselves being dictated to by a clique who will look after their friends to the detriment of the ratepayers. I was wondering if something of this sort was behind that Halifax case?

It is in the choosing of candidates and watchfulness at the ballot box that such laxity can be remedied. It is not only the duty, but the responsibility of citizenship, for all the voters to take a real interest in the affairs of government, an interest that will make them want to work for good government.

JUST WONDERING.

Salmo, B. C.

Awakening for Gold

Gold mining development is coming to life again. Unmistakable signs can be seen and heard in the North, on Bay and St. Catherines Streets, and in New York. They promise brighter days for the patient that languished so sadly for three years following the dollar's ill-starred ascent to parity in 1946.

There were faint stirrings last Summer, as development and exploration money began to realize that the nadir hadn't been reached; that conditions hadn't become as adverse as some had feared. Then came September's devaluation, adding $3.50 in value to every ounce of gold in the ground. In the 10 weeks that have passed since then, we've seen many a gold mine report improved production. That's made us all feel better. There's nothing wrong with gold mining investment that a better dividend outlook can't cure.

Enthusiasm is contagious, and the good feeling is spreading now to the prospect properties. There's widespread talk of deals, and plans for prospecting and drilling next Summer. Some of the sleeping prospects have already revived under strong injections of new capital—Queenston, Beacon, Newlund, Joliet, Osisko Lake, to name just some of the better-known ones. And in New York we hear new inquiries about the Canadian mining market, more than we've heard previously for many a month.

All this makes the 1950 horizon look bright. If the trend that has started can gather momentum—and we see no reason why it shouldn't—the first half of the 20th century may close next year in a new blaze of gold mining glory.—The Northern Miner.

?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.

Curious, Nelson—Is there any truth in the theory that amber beads are electrically charged?

All amber is electrically charged when rubbed vigorously—that is one way to distinguish the genuine from the synthetic.

Teetotaler, Nelson—Please give me a recipe for ginger beer without yeast.

One and half pounds of ginger, bruised; 20 pounds sugar, one dozen lemons, one pound honey, 21 gallons water. Boil ginger in three gallons of water for half an hour, add sugar, lemons (bruised and sliced), honey, and 17 gallons of water. Strain and bottle after three or four days.

Mrs. H., Creston—My silver inkstand is stained with ink, and it is not responding to ordinary polishes. What can I use?

Make a paste of chloride of lime and water and cover stains; when dry, rub off.

Magician, Trail—I am popular at children's parties, and would like to do a fire-eating act. Do you know how this is done?

No, and we would advise you not to try it.

Looking Backwards

10 YEARS AGO

From The Daily News of Dec. 24, 1939

On Christmas Day at 7 a.m., P.S.T., His Majesty will broadcast a Christmas message to listeners throughout the Empire.

A donation to the Christmas Cheer Fund was made by John McColeman of Stayner, Toronto. John Draper, President of the Christmas Cheer Fund, reports that to date the total is $1288.

E. G. Westby and his son, E. Westby, left for Seattle to spend Christmas.

25 YEARS AGO

From The Daily News of Dec. 24, 1924

A new schedule has been prepared for the Winter service of the Arrow Lakes.

The spirit of Christmas was much in evidence in the auditorium of the Trinity Methodist Church last night. Miss Elva Hanna was convener of the Christmas concert.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rutherford have left to spend Christmas at Trail at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Willis.

40 YEARS AGO

From The Daily News of Dec. 24, 1909

E. K. Beeston, Secretary of the Board of Trade, received word on the flag station freight problem from A. D. Cartwright, Secretary of the Board of Railway Commissioners.

No Christmas party is complete without mistletoe. R. G. Joy, the grocer, has some real English mistletoe, also holly. Joy's is at the corner of Josephine and Mill Streets.

Neil MacKay, M.P.P., of Kaslo, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

It's Been Said

The way to be nothing is to do nothing.
—Nathaniel Howe.

Your Horoscope

Your anniversary is of good augury for business and domestic affairs. You may expect a capable, industrious and ambitious personality in today's child.

SUNDAY, DEC. 25: The "Peace on earth, good will to all" policy prevails on this Christmas Day. The stars in their course favor you in your next year. Success and recognition should be the lot of today's child.

Press Comment

TEA TIME FOR MINERS

Here is something in the Australian news which John L. Lewis never thought of—time out for tea! Hot tea is now served at or near the coal service to miners in 21 out of the 23 coal mines on the South coast of New South Wales. Coal miners in the deeper mines sweat very freely and drink a gallon or so of cold water a day to make good the moisture thus lost. This leads to cramps, rheumatism and other complaints. It has therefore been decided to seek to replace water bottles by insulated tea urns filled with tea made at the pit tops.
—Brandon Daily Sun.

It Happened Today

1809 — Kit Carson, frontiersman, scout, soldier, born. 1814 — Treaty of peace signed between Great Britain and United States at Ghent, ending War of 1812. 1871—Opening of Suez Canal, Egypt; Verdi's opera, "Aida," composed for occasion, given first performance. 1943—General Dwight Eisenhower named to command invasion of Europe in World War II.

SUNDAY, DEC. 25 — Christmas Day. 1776—General George Washington crossed the Delaware River, to attack Trenton, N. J., in Revolutionary War. 1944—American forces temporarily halted Germans on the ninth day of the Battle of the Bulge in World War II.

Aunt Het

This young doctor just out o' school may know a lot more than the old ones, but he won't know so much after he's practiced about ten years.

Question of Day, Who Will Fill Stalin's Shoes When He Retires?

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press News Analyst

When folks reach three score and 10 they begin to think about easing up on work and doing a spot of fishing, or whatever pleases their fancy.

Thus it isn't strange that Russia and the outside world should be speculating on what Marshal Stalin, having celebrated his 70th birthday amidst the adulation of his followers, has in mind for the future. Will he keep on as the Generalissimo of Communism, or will he ease off a bit? If he withdraws, who takes his place?

SOMETHING ON THE BALL

In order to answer that we must know what qualities have made Stalin Dictator.

Some years ago I asked an informed Communist what kept Stalin in command. He replied that it was because Stalin's judgment always was right. By "right" my informant of course meant Stalin was correct in his decisions of what was best to further Russian interests.

THREE IN LINE

Who of the Communist heads is capable of stepping into Stalin's place and handling the battle royal which will be fought for the dictatorship? A lot of heads are likely to fall before that is ironed out.

Western observers figure the way things stand the succession likely will lie among three men—all members of the powerful Politburo, or policy-making committee, and all as tough as tripe.

This trio in order of their political strength, are: Vice-Premier V. M. Molotov, age 59; Lavrenti P. Baria, 50, head of the dread Secret Police; Georgi M. Malenkov, 47, who is virtual ruler of the Communist Party's political machine in Russia.

Molotov, best known to the outside world in his previous role of Foreign Minister, has had in recent months a mysterious assignment which is supposed to be supervision of the Red offensive to Communize the Orient.

Molotov's outstanding characteristics are unswerving devotion to the Party and to Stalin, and self effacement. He is a colorless personality, but he commands respect in all ranks—and thus far he has had the confidence of the Generalissimo.

BARIA THE RUTHLESS

Baria's power was based on his work as head of the Secret Police. He directed several hundred thousand secret agents, and administrated concentration camps and prisons.

Last and theoretically least—although powerful—comes Malenkov, also a ruthless realist. He early became a member of Stalin's personal Secretariat and modeled himself after Stalin, even to clothing and mannerisms. He rose rapidly, and he profited much by the great purge of old Bolshevists in the thirties.

Britain Suspends Hungary Trade, Financial Talks

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Britain has suspended trade and financial talks with Hungary because that country refused to allow a British Consul-General to see a Briton arrested in Budapest as a spy.

The Foreign Office anounced today the month-long talks were suspended last Monday.

The Briton concerned is Edgar Sanders. Along with Robert C. Vogeler, an American, he was arrested in Budapest Nov. 22 on charges of espionage. Both Vogeler and Sanders are officials of the American-owned International Telephone and Telegraph Company, of New York.

The Hungarian Trade delegation is returning to Budapest this week end. The Trade Treaty the British and Hungarians were discussing would have involved an annual trade exchange of about £6,000,000 ($18,600,000).

Hungarian Gov't. Holds American On Suspicion

BUDAPEST, Dec. 23 (AP) — The Hungarian Government announced tonight it arrested Israel Jacobson, American Jewish welfare worker, on "suspicion of spying against the Hungarian State."

Jacobson, director in Hungary of the American Joint Distribution Committee, was arrested a week ago after returning here from a leave in the United States.

The Hungarian Foreign Ministry issued a communique which said only:

"I. G. Jacobson, foreign citizen, was detained by the State security authorities for the suspicion of spying against the Hungarian State."

The statement was the first official word from the Government concerning Jacobson's arrest. Officials had confirmed to the U. S. Legation here that the 37-year-old Chicago man was being held. American officials have tried in vain for a week to see him.

Will Ban Export of Technical Data

By CHARLES MOLONY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—The United States Government today tightened up its machinery for keeping scientific and technical data from going to Russia.

The Commerce Department announced that "in exceptional cases" it will impose an outright ban on export of technical information which is "significant to the national security."

The obvious object—though not stated in the official statement—is to keep such information from reaching the Soviets.

Convicted Man's Employer Wins $1000 Reward

EDMONTON, Dec. 23 (CP)—The $1000 reward posted last October for capture of the slayers of a Chinese market gardener will go to Gordon Bone, young employer of one of the two men convicted of the murder.

This was learned today when Edmonton police officials agreed that Bone's original information was "the sole source of the evidence leading to the conviction" of Joseph Gilbert, 23, and Hong Suey Chin, 35. Both have been sentenced to hang Feb. 22 for the strangulation-murder of Sam Kee Oct. 8.

The award was posted by the City of Edmonton and the Chinese Benevolent Association.

To Hear Railway Application Feb.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP)— The Board of Transport Commissioners said today it will hear further submissions from the Canadian Railways in February on their application for a general 20-percent increase in railway freight rates.

The announcement came the day after the Supreme Court of Canada handed down a judgment expressing the opinion that the Board had failed in its duty by not making a final decision on the application when it awarded the railways an interim increase of eight per cent in September.

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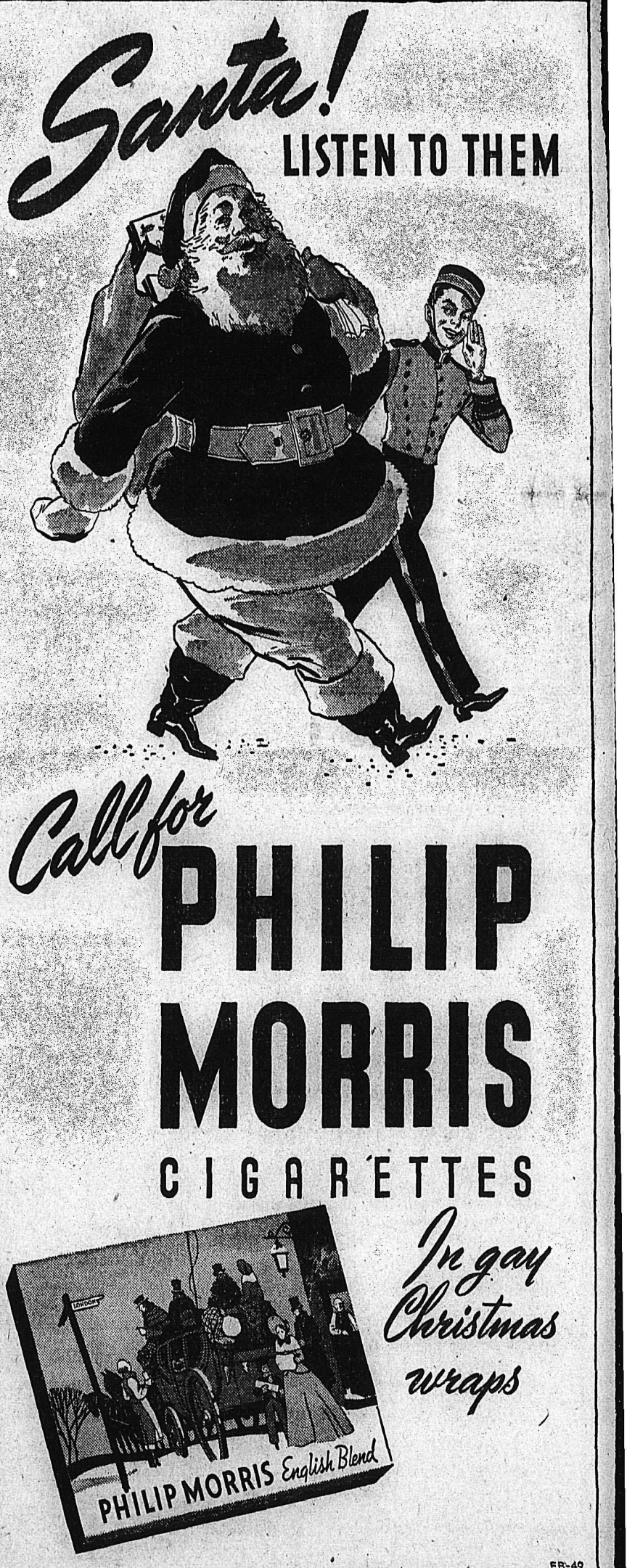
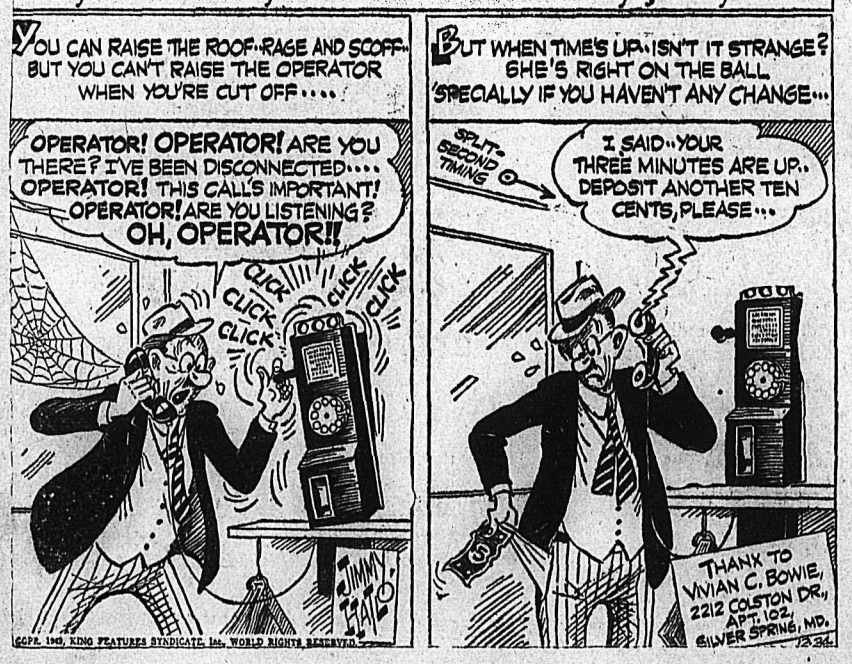
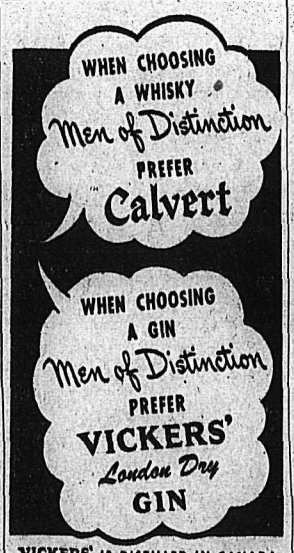


They'll Do It Every Time — By Jimmy Hatlo





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SPORTS

Fights

By The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA—Otis Graham, 151, Philadelphia, outpointed Honey Chile Johnson, 146, Philadelphia 8.

BROOKLYN (Broadway Arena) —Paddy Demarco, 140¾, Brooklyn, outpointed Teddy "Red Top" Davis 131½, Brooklyn, 10.

MANILA—Tirso Del Rosario, 121, Manila, outpointed Dado Marino, 120, Honolulu, 10.

Lions Draw Panther Bantams

The Lion bantams, showing improvement, came from behind to eke out a 2-all tie with Panther bantams at the Civic arena Thursday morning. It was the second time that the Lions have been able to tie the Panthers.

Rosling and Ackert were the Panthers scorers both goals chalked up the Lions goals with Reid assisting on Borch's marker, and Chursenoff and Olson on Bradley's tying goal late in the third.

Olson and Acket served the Panther time in the cooler. Arnold Sherwood and Garth Lipsack were the Referees. Ron Peterson and Bill Richardson kept the score and time.

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Hockey Scores

By The Canadian Press

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Kitchener 2, Toronto Marlboros 5.

EASTERN CANADA SENIOR
Cornwall 3, North Bay 2.

O.H.A. JUNIOR
Windsor 7, St. Catharines 6.
Oshawa 4, Barrie 5.
Stratford 0, Guelph 5.

A.H.L.
New Haven 4, St. Louis 2.

U.S.H.A.L.
St. Paul 3, Louisville 7.

MANITOZA JUNIOR
Winnipeg Canadiens 2, Brandon Wheat Kings 5.
Winnipeg Monarchs 2, Winnipeg Blacks Hawks 3.

WESTERN CANADA JUNIOR
Medicine Hat 4, Moose Jaw 7.

MARITIME JUNIOR
Moncton 6, Amherst 2.

Italian Team to Compete in Banff Ski Championships

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP)—An Italian team of four men and one woman will compete in the 1950 North American Downhill and Slalom ski championships at Banff Feb. 25-27, it was announced today by ski meet officials.

One of the members of the Italian team will be Colo Zeno, winner of the 1949 Arlberg Kandahar at St. Anton, Austria. Thewoman racer is Celina Seghi, Alympic skier and Italy's foremost woman ski artist.

Austrian and American teams are also expected at the North American title show which follows the world championship ski meet at Aspen, Colo.

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Sunday Sport Top Toronto Subject

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP)—You can't make a speech in Toronto these days—or even visit your barber—unless you are prepared to say whether you think City Council should seek legislation to make legal Sunday sports here, now banned by the Lord's Day Act.

Voters will be asked their views on the question in a plebiscite Jan. 2 in connection with the annual civic elections.

Some opponents of Sunday sport have conjured up visions of Toronto the good gone to pot with "wide-open" Sundays, Sunday drinking, dancing and movies.

Some of those in favor of seeking the necessary legislation bemoan the lot of a Torontonian on Sunday afternoons and rag up the old gags about the graveyard with lights and shoting a cannon down Yonge Street, Toronto's main artery, without hitting anyone.

Officially, however, the isue concerns only commercial sports events, amateur or professional.

Hockey Schedule

Schedule of games to be played in the Nelson Amateur Hockey Association Leagues up to Thursday of next week follow:

Monday, 10-11 a.m.—Midget rep practice.

11-12 a.m.—Juvenile rep practice.

Tuesday, 8-9 a.m.—F.A.C. vs Lions Bantams.

9-10 a.m.—Panthers vs Dodger Bantams.

10:15-11:15 a.m.—Bantam rep practice.

11:35-12:15—F.A.C. vs Lions Midgets.

12:30-2—F.A.C. vs Lions Juveniles.

Wednesday, 10:30-11:30 a.m. — Lions vs Panther Bantams.

11:30-12:30 — Dodgers vs F.A.C. Banthams.

12:30-1:30 p.m.—Lions vs Panther midgets.

4:30-6 p.m.—Lions vs Panther Juvenlies.

Thursday, 8-9 a.m. — Lions vs F.A.C. Midgets.

9-10 a.m.—Dodgers vs Lions Bantams.

1-2 p.m.—Bantam pool.

LIONS TIE F.A.C. JUVES 1-1

In a brief half-hour game the Lion Juveniles tied the League leading Fairview Athletic Club's juvenile hockey squad one-all. The League leaders, short-handed two of their ace players, failed to look impressive although they carried most of the territorial play, but were unable to beat the Lions goalie Pete Markin.

Nils Sjoberg, brilliant stick handler of the F.A.C. midgets playing up, was the lone F.A.C.'s scorer as he flicked in Dyke's pass early in the first. In the middle of the last period the Lions blistered one past Goalie Gerry Koehle as Ken White chalked up their lone goal on a rink-length pass from Rod Carmichael.

Postnikoff of the F.A.C. drew a penalty for holding while Ken White went off for roughing. Johnny Leschuck was the Referee. Ed Nelson kept the score and time.

Trail Outpaces Leafs 7-5; Trio for Fargher

WIHL STANDINGS

	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pct.
Spokane	19	10	1	131	95	.650
Nelson	11	9	2	98	98	.545
Trail	9	12	1	77	95	.432
Kimberley	8	15	0	91	99	.318

Next game: Spokane at Kimberley Monday, December 26.

TRAIL, B.C., Dec. 23 — Trail Smoke Eaters gave the Nelson Maple Leafs a real fight from start to finish in the Cominco Arena tonight, and came out on top at the finish 7-5.

Smokies led 2-1 at the end of the first and 4-3 at the end of the second in the Western International Hockey League tussle.

Don Anderson, centre, led the Trailites, scoring two goals. For the Leafs Johnny Fargher got the hat trick.

Leafs opened the scoring at the 2:54 mark when Fargher beat Bartlett after combining with Haldane and Kilpatrick. The Smokies fought back and at 6:37 Don Anderson made a pass from the corner Nicol who drove it into the Nelson cage. Trail kept pressing, and Kneeshaw in the Leaf net was called upon to make some great saves. Then at the 19.56 mark Mario Scoddellaro set the home town crew ahead after taking a pass from Chmiel.

MISS CHANCES

Second period opened with the Leafs attacking, Jack Kilpatrick hitting the Trail opst from close in Turik and Anderson for Trail had a great chance at the Leaf net, but Goalie Kneeshaw kept the Smokies from scoring.

Play alternated from end to end, with the two Koehle boys missing several great chances. Haldane assisted by Vickers for the Leafs tied the score to make it 2-2 at 8:42. Anderson gave the Smoke Eaters an edge once more, converting a pass from Dave Nicol from the blue line by catching the lower left corner of the Leaf net.

Goalie Bob Bartlett, making his home debut after being out with an injury, looked good on a number of shots. His stick shattered during a melee about the Trail cage.

Kilpatrick knotted it again for the Leafs on an assist from Haldane, only to have Cavanagh put Trail ahead again before the bell.

While McNaughton, Leaf defenceman, was off for a penalty, Anderson scored on a backhand shot from Corrado.

WINGER HURT

Trail made it 6-3 when Chmiel rapped in Wylie's pass. The winger, checked as he took the scoring shot, had the wind knocked out of him, and a few minutes later left the ice, but came back in later. Johnny Fargher banged in two quick ones to put the Leafs back in the game, but veteran Ab Cronie broke from centre ice to make the final 7-5.

Lineups:

Nelson — Kneeshaw; Fischer, Barefoot; Macintyre, McNaughton; Vickers, Barchyn, Fargher, Kilpatrick, Haldane, Red Koehle and Fritz Koehle.

Trail—Bartlett; Christensen, Pasqualatto; Clements, McDougald, Corrado, Anderson, Turik, Cavanaugh, Cronie, Nicol, Chmiel, Wylie and M. Scodellaro.

SUMMARY

First period—1. Nelson, Fargher (Haldane, Kilpatrick) 2:54; 2. Trail, Nicol (Anderson) 6:37; 3. Trail, M. Scodellaro (Anderson and Chmiel) 19:56.

Penalties—Clements, Fischer, McClenaghan.

Second period—4. Nelson, Haldane (Vickers) 8:32; 5. Trail, Anderson (Nicol) 9:48; 6. Kilpatrick (Haldane) 17:12; 7. Trail, Cavanaugh (Cronie) 18:08.

Penalty—McNaughton.

Third period—8. Trail, Anderson (Corrado) 1:20; 9. Trail, Chmiel (Wylie) 7:05; 10. Nelson, Fargher (Kilpatrick) 9:34; 11. Nelson, Fargher 12:00; 12. Trail, Cronie (Cavanaugh) 14:00.

Penalties — McNaughton, Cavanaugh, Clements, Corrado, Fischer (10 minutes misconduct).

Officials were Mike Wellock and Jimmy Morris.

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By CLIVE FLEMING

You'd almost think things were getting tough in the U.S. the way hockey clubs are folding up South of the border. First it was Cincinnati, then Baltimore, both clubs in the Eastern United States Hockey League, and a while ago, Oakland Oaks, Eddie Shore's club in the Pacific Coast Hockey League disbanded.

Max Kaminsky, who coached the now defunct club, was in town yesterday, and will leave for Trail this morning, in the first two stops of his scouting trip back to Springfield, to bossman Eddie Shore.

The fans just wouldn't turn out, so the club split up, and Shore sold the players to other teams in the loop.

Max who is serving his first year in connection with Shore wants to see the juvenile and junior clubs in practice and see if any of the promising players would be interested in attending Shore's camp next Fall. Since Shore has no major league club, Kaminsky is looking for players who show signs that they could possibly shape up into minor league material. If they proved to be good enough for the big top, up they'd go.

Almost as quickly as he was asked if they would have to sign any sort of contract or form, Max answered: "No, it is just to let them attend the tryout, and see for themselves if they like the setup. If they like it, good, but if they don't, they won't be obligated to anything."

The scout realized that this area had been scouted much by New York and Chicago, but since they were looking for N.H.L. prospects, they could have overlooked a few players who could make the minor leagues.

Kaminsky inferred that since Springfield was Shore's last club still operating, that Shore may try to have a few amateur clubs. That would give him more opportunity to watch some of his proteges develop, and still have them handy at all times.

During the conversation ranging in subject from getting players to the release of certain players, he mentioned that when the Oaks folded camp, he thought that he could be home for Christmas or New Year's. But he still has to go about 3000 miles through all the little hockey centres looking at possibilities before reaching his final destination.

TO EAST KOOTENAY

From Trail, he expects to go to Kimberley and Fernie, but isn't yet certain where he will head from there.

I hear that one of Nelson's referees suffered two broken ribs from the fracas which involved Mike Fischer, Moose McNaughton, Frank Turik and Don Anderson. He still doesn't know what really happened, but he has a good idea.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all my readers, hockey fans, hockey players, and the Press and radio a Very Merry Christmas.

DODGERS BLANK F.A.C. BANTAMS

The Dodgers bantams blanked the Fairview Athletic Club's bantam hockey team 4-0 at the Civic Arena Thursday morning.

The F.A.C's, short handed with only two spares, got off to a shaky start. The Dodgers rapped in three goals in the opening period, but were unable to dent the twine again until late inthe third. Peterson, Lipsack, Sherwood and Lang drew assists.

Only three penalties were handed out by Referee Slim Porter and all went to the Dodgers. Lipsack was off for boarding, T. S. Stenson for interference and Peterson for boarding. Bobby Olson kept the score and Don Rosling the time.

Tennis Pros Leave For English Matches

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP)—Jack Kramer and three other touring professional tennis players left here by air tonoight for London.

Kramer, Dick Gonzales, Frank Parker and Pancho Segura will play in an English tournament at Wembley Dec. 26-28. They also are scheduled to appear in Paris before returning here Jan. 3.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (AP)—Two trainmen were crushed to death and five others were injured tonight in a collision between two empty electric trains of the Long Island Railroad.

The wreck cut all service between Long Island and Manhattan's big Pennsylvania Station for hours and stranded tens of thousands of commuters in New York. The accident happened in the Sunnyside Yards at suburban Long Island City during the peak of the evening rush.

Plan Cheer for Aged, Hospital And Jail Inmates

Patients in Kootenay Lake General Hospital, inmates of the Provincial jail and residents of homes for the aged institutes in Nelson will enjoy some of the Christmas festivities during the weekend holiday.

On Saturday, Hospital patients will hear program of Yuletide carols sung by the St. Paul's United Church boys' choir and Sunday they will all be served a full course Christmas dinner.

Jail inmates will be visited by the Salvation Army carolers Monday, who will present their annual program.

The Salvation Army will deliver about 40 to 45 Christmas hampers to needy families throughout the District Saturday, while on Monday they will visit the Hostel for aged men, home for aged women and the Hospital to distribute "sunshihe bags" to the patients.

RACES FEATURE ARENA PARTY

Races were the main event of the old children's Christmas skating party at the Civic Arena Friday.

Winners were Bill Montgomery, Ann Fletcher, Fred Nudd, Lucille Menegre; Lionel Kearns; Dolly Fife; Gerry Musfelt and Ann Brown.

The boys' backward race was won by Wilf Marquis and the girls' by Ann Brown. The bantam hockey teams had a special relay with the Panthers winning over the other Bantams. The winning team was composed of Gene Gee, Alex McLelland, Angus Davis and Ken Ackert.

The enthusiasm of the racers' supporters was almost equal to that of the hockey fans.

Each of the 280 youngsters received a bag of candy on leaving the Arena.

MAJOR LEAGUE PITCHER SENTENCED FOR LIFE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23—(AP) —Ralph (Blackie) Schwamb, former major league pitcher, and Ted Gardner, each 27, today were sentenced to the imprisonment for the robbery murder of a Long Beach, Calif., physician that netted them only $53.

Dr. Donald B. Buge was beaten to death near Gardena, Calif., Oct. 12.

Schwamb was on the pitching staff of the St. Louis Browns briefly last season.

Betting Drops At Florida Races

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 23 (AP)—A $500,000 drop in betting during the first 18 days of thoroughbred racing at Tropical Park was reported today.

The State Racing Commission said mutuel play was $508,203 below the 1948 figure for the same period. Attendance dropped 1684.

The figures: This year 103,395 people bet $6,174,802 in the initial 18 days of racing; last year 105,079 persons wagered $6,683,005.

Christmas Week at the Arena

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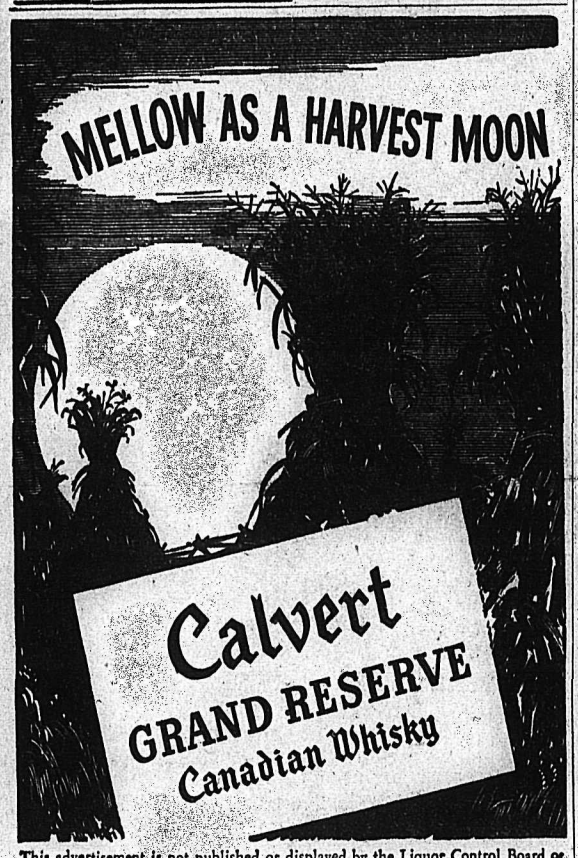

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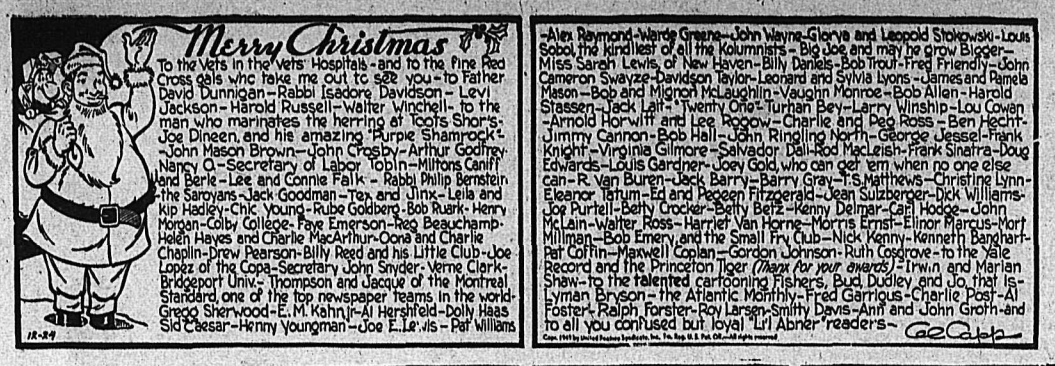

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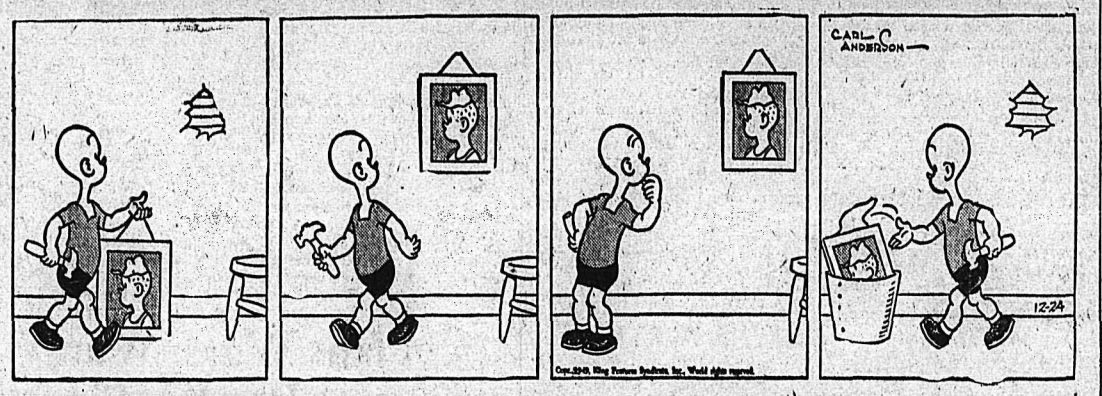

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8:30—Story Time
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Saddle Serenade
9:30—Saturday Story
9:45—Christmas Patry
10:00—Train Time and Time Signal
10:01—Bandstand
10:15—Notice Board
10:45—News Cast
11:00—Metropolitan Opera
2:00—Musical Program
2:15—Ballet Club
3:00—This Week
3:14—Train Time
3:15—News Week-End Listening
3:30—Forecast for Christmas
3:45—Band Box
4:00—Armdale Chorus
4:15—T.B.A.
4:30—Sports College
4:45—Sacred Heart
5:00—Cavalcade of Melody
5:30—Prairie Schooner
6:00—N.H.L. Hockey
7:30—Organ Music
8:00—Ave Maria
8:30—Current and Choice
9:00—Byng Whitteker
9:30—A Song in the Air
10:00—Peebles News
10:15—Request Hour
11:15—Sign Off

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610 ON THE DIAL

6:30—News
6:35—Tom's Inn
7:00—News
7:05—Tom's Inn
7:30—News
7:35—Tom's Inn
8:00—CBC News
8:10—Five Minutes of Fine Music
8:15—Tom's Inn
9:00—Musical Program
10:00—A to Z in Novelty
10:15—Musical Program
10:45—News
11:00—Metropolitan Opera
2:00—Musical Program
2:15—Musical Program
3:00—Christmas Castle
3:15—CJAT Christmas Stocking
4:00—Sandy's Record Review
4:30—Sports College
4:45—Twelve Dancing Princesses
5:15—Santa Claus Rides Again
5:45—Musical Program
6:00—News
6:05—N.H.L. Hockey
7:45—Christmas Program with Bing Crosby
8:00—Share the Wealth
8:30—Hansel and Gretel
9:15—Dickens Christmas Carol
10:00—News
10:05—Sports Cavalcade
10:15—Special Christmas Broadcast
10:45—Musical Program
11:00—Dance Orchestra
11:30—Dance Orchestra
11:55—CBC News

SUNDAY, DEC. 25, 1949

CKLN
1240 ON THE DIAL

6:58—Sign On
7:00—Address by His Majesty the King
7:15—Carillon Music
7:30—Lithuanian Choir
8:00—Christmas Carols and Greetings
9:00—BBC News
9:15—A. D. Dunton Christmas Greeting
9:20—Christmas Carols and Greetings
10:00—CBC News
10:05—Matthew Halton
10:15—Just Mary's Christmas Story
10:30—The Way of the Spirit
11:00—St. Saviour's Christmas Service
11:30—Religious Period
12:00—Sir Thomas Beecham
1:00—Once Upon a Reindeer
1:30—Church of the Air
2:00—Healy William Chorale
2:30—The Oracles are Dumb
3:00—Geoffrey Waddington
3:25—CKLN News
3:30—The Happy Time
4:00—CKLN Program
4:15—Bethel Fireside
4:30—CKLN Program
4:45—John Fisher Reports
5:00—Commonwealth Christmas
6:00—Nativity Mystery Play
7:00—CBC News
7:10—Rebroadcast of Address by His Majesty the King
7:30—Handel's Messiah
8:30—Christmas Concert
9:00—Family Theatre
9:30—Gospel Choir Hour
10:00—News
10:15—St. Saviour's Evening Vespers

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8:00—News
8:15—Melodic Moods
8:30—Lutheran Hour
9:00—BBC News and Commentary
9:15—Music of Many Lands
9:30—Fullness of Time
10:00—Gospel Half Hour
10:30—Musical Program
10:45—News
11:00—Knox Church Service
12:00—New York Philharmonic
1:30—Church of the Air
2:00—To Be Announced
2:30—Critically Speaking
3:00—"Messiah"
6:00—Stage 50
7:00—CBC News
7:10—Weekend Review
7:20—Our Special Speaker
7:30—Little Symphonies
8:00—By the Fireside
8:30—Salvation Army Show
9:00—Sunday Quiet Time
9:30—Hour of St. Francis
9:45—Cathedral Hour
10:00—News
10:05—Musical Program
10:15—Here's Health
10:25—Andre Kostelanetz
10:30—Chapel Chimes
11:00—Prelude to Midnight
11:55—CBC News

MONDAY, DEC. 26, 1949

CKLN
1240 ON THE DIAL

7:00—Sign on and O Canada
7:01—Top of the Morning
8:00—CBC News
8:10—Bill Good
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—For You Madam
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Western Tunes
9:45—Kate Aitken
10:00—Time Signal and Train Time
10:01—Ellen Harris
10:15—Musical Program
10:45—Music Kitchen
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air
11:15—Five Roses Radio Kitchen
11:20—Concert Corner
11:45—Notice Board
12:15—Sterling News
12:25—Maple Leaf News
12:30—Farm Broadcast
12:55—Strikes and Spares
1:00—Afternoon Concert
1:45—Commentary
2:00—Festive Season
2:30—Your Little Show
2:45—Melody Matinee
3:00—Odds and Ends
3:15—Messers Islanders
3:30—Commentary
3:40—Divertimento
4:00—Bernie Braden's Story
4:15—Betty Phillips
4:30—Magic Adventures
4:45—Harmony: News
5:00—Little Concert
5:30—CKLN News
5:45—Sacred Heart
6:00—Time Signal
6:01—To be announced
6:15—To be announced
6:30—Cavalcade of Melody
7:00—CBC News
7:15—Roundup
7:30—Wally Peters Show
7:45—Talk
8:00—Alberta Ranch House
8:30—Time on My Hands
9:00—National Farm Forum
9:30—Boxing Day Party
10:00—Peebles News
10:15—On Mike Tonight
10:30—Henry Russell's Orchestra
11:00—Sign off. The King.

CJAT
610 ON THE DIAL

6:30—News
6:35—Good Morning Neighbor
7:00—News
7:05—Good Morning Neighbor
7:25—Your Hymn for the Day
7:30—News
7:35—Good Morning Neighbor
8:00—CBC News
8:10—Here's To Christmas
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—Laura Ltd.
9:00—Coffee Time
9:15—Aunt Lucy
9:30—Five Roses Radio Kitchen
9:35—Housewives Hit Parade
10:00—Homemakers Club
10:15—Happy Gang
10:45—Rita Martin Musical Kitchen
11:00—News
11:05—Centuries of Christmas
11:45—Eddy Arnold Show
12:00—Luncheon Concert
12:30—News
12:45—Saddle Rockin' Rhythm
1:00—Cavalcade of Christmas
1:45—Club Clinic; ;Comm.
2:00—B.C. School Broadcast
2:30—Waltztime
2:45—Christmas Calendar
3:00—Brave Voyage
3:15—CJAT Christmas Stocking
4:00—Bernie Braden
4:15—Club Calendar
4:30—Golden Christmas Card
4:45—Superman
5:00—News
5:05—Supper Serenade
6:00—Lux Radio Theatre
7:00—CBC News
7:15—CBC News Roundup
7:30—Guy Lombardo Show
8:00—Alberta Ranch House
8:30—Michael Shayne
9:00—National Farm Radio Forum
9:30—Recital
10:00—News
10:05—Sports Cavalcade
10:15—On Mike Tonight
10:30—Family Worship Hour
10:45—Reverie
11:00—Dance Orchestra
11:30—Dance Orchestra
11:55—CBC News

TUESDAY, DEC. 27, 1949

CKLN
1240 ON THE DIAL

7:00—Sign on. O Canada
7:01—Top of the Morning
8:00—CBC News.
8:10—Bill Good
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—For You Madam
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Western Tunes
9:45—Musical Program
10:00—Train Time and Time Signal
10:01—Ellen Harris
10:15—Musical Program
10:45—Musical Program
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air
11:15—Radio Kitchen
11:20—Concert Corner
11:45—Notice Board
12:15—Sterling News
12:25—Maple Leaf News
12:30—Farm Broadcast
12:55—Strikes and Spares
1:00—Afternoon Concert
1:30—CBR Presents
1:45—Commentary
2:00—Festive Season
2:30—Your Little Show
2:45—Let's Read
3:00—Odds and Ends
3:14—Train Time
3:15—Western Five
3:30—Commentary
3:40—Divertimento
4:00—Bernie Braden Story
4:15—Meet Gizelle
4:30—Life in the Open
4:45—Piano
5:00—Hot Wax
5:30—CKLN News
5:45—Sacred Heart
6:00—Teenage Request
6:30—Cavalcade of Melody
7:00—CBC News
7:15—News Roundup
7:30—Leicester Square to Broadway
8:00—Sidney Katz
8:15—Talk
8:30—Classic Club
9:00—Jean Cotton Trio
9:30—Piano Playhouse
10:00—Peebles News
10:15—Miscellany
10:30—Claremont Hotel Orchestra
11:00—Sign Off. The King.

CJAT
610 ON THE DIAL

6:30—News
6:35—Tom's Inn
7:00—News
7:05—Tom's Inn
7:30—News
7:35—Tom's Inn
8:00—CBC News
8:10—Spotlight on a Star
8:15—Breakfast Club
8:45—Laura Ltd.
9:00—Coffee Time
9:15—Lucy Lintor
9:30—Five Roses Radio Kitchen
9:35—Housewives Hit Parade
10:00—Homemakers Club
10:15—Happy Gang
10:45—Singalong
11:00—News
11:05—Music for Milady
11:45—Western Trails
12:00—Luncheon Concert
12:30—News
12:45—Smoke Rings
1:00—Afternoon Recess
1:45—A. Grant, Commentary
2:00—Festive Season
2:30—Waltztime
2:45—Wife-Saver
3:00—Brave Voyage
3:15—CJAT Christmas Stocking
4:00—Bernie Braden
4:15—Club Calendar
4:30—Old Corral
4:45—Superman
5:00—News
5:05—Supper Serenade
5:30—Canadian Cavalcade
6:00—Bob Hope
6:30—Fibber McGee and Molly
7:00—CBC News
7:15—CBC News Roundup
7:30—Leicester Square to Broadway
8:00—Sidney Katz
8:15—Nation's Business
8:30—Mystery Theatre
9:00—Music You Love
9:15—Musical Program
9:30—Solo Guest
9:45—Music by Bavero
10:00—News
10:05—Sports Cavalcade
10:15—Miscellany
10:30—Family Worship Hour
10:45—Reverie
11:00—Dance Orchestra
11:30—Dance Orchestra
11:55—CBC News

Stiffer Penalties For Motorists Hailed

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP) — Stiffer penalties for motorists breaking traffic laws, to come into effect Jan. 1, were hailed today as "step in the right direction" by President H. S. Hipwell of the British Columbia Automobile Association. Minimum fines will be raised as much as 600 per cent in some instances.

FUR FARMER—Vantile Platt sorts and grades chinchilla pelts after tanning, at a fur-breeding farm in Gardena, Cal., where mink and chinchilla are raised for the market.

TO U. S. DEAD IN BRITAIN—Model of American Memorial Chapel honoring U. S. war dead in British Isles, planned in reconstruction of St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Leavening agent
6. Type of architecture
11. Muse of lyric poetry (Gr.)
12. Genus of tropical palm
13. Warning bell
14. Envelop in fog
15. Color of a ruby
17. Compass point
18. Adviser
23. Sprite
24. Striking success (slang)
25. Public notice
27. Kind of rock
30. Censure
32. Samarium (sym.)
33. Frozen water
35. Flowed
36. Government by the rich
39. Dancer's cymbals
41. Wine receptacle
42. Mistreat
45. A dispatch boat
49. Former king of Yugoslavia
50. Fine line of a letter
51. American author
52. Slope

DOWN
1. Affirmative reply
2. Biblical name
3. River (Switz.)
4. Unyielding
5. Sounds
6. A peck
7. Metallic rock
8. Allude
9. Sacred picture (Russ. Ch.)
10. Animal enclosure
16. Moisture
18. Luck (Ir.)
19. Wide-mouthed jar
20. Russian city
21. Tennis stroke
22. Nocturnal bird
25. Nurse (Orient.)
26. Contradict
28. Sesame
29. Shield
31. Portion of a curved line
34. Greek letter
36. God of underworld (Rom.)
37. Accumulate
38. Disentangle
39. Spigots
40. Incite
43. Stitch
44. Before
46. Man's name
47. Transgress
48. Often (poet.)

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Yesterday's Answer

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

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SRW GRE, BW ZRBC RKG QBWH RKG
VFFG RKG VRE—OFODXRC CMESH.

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Calgary Livestock

CALGARY, Dec. 23 (CP) — Receipts on the Calgary livestock market were sparse today, and cleared up readily at the week's lower levels. The day's few sales were at steady rates, though some plain kinds were slow to move.

No strictly choice steers or heifers were on offer, a situation that has prevailed throughout the week.

Yesterday, 179 cattle were sold and weighed. This morning's offerings were 48 animals. Cattle sales for the first four days of the week totalled 2071, compared with 4329 in the same period last week.

The Dominion Livestock Markets Service reported yesterday's saleable receipts as 110 cattle, 6 calves, 175 hogs, 62 sheep.

Hogs sold yesterday at $26 for A's at yards and plants; sows, $12.50, live weight.

Good lambs, $22 to $22.75; good ewes, $8 to $9.

Good to choice butcher steers, $20.50 to $21.25; common to medium, $17 to $20.

Good to choice butcher heifers, $18 to $19; common to medium, $16 to $17.50.

Good cows, $13.50 to $14; common to medium, $12 to $13.25; canners and cutters, $9 to $11.50.

Good bulls, $15 to $16; common to medium, $12 to $14.50.

Good to choice veal calves, $18 to $19.50; common to medium, $15 to $17.50.

Good stocker and feeder steers, $17.50 to $18.50; common to medium, $15 to $17.

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CLOSING PRICES

MINES	
Bralorne	9.40
Cariboo Gold	1.35
Golconda	.29
Grandview	.21½
Hedley Mascot	.30
Highland Bell	.55
Kootenay Belle	.25
Pend Oreille	5.85
Pioneer Gold	3.20
Quatsino	.16¼
Reeves MacDonald	2.25
Sheep Creek	1.15
Silver Ridge	.11
OILS	
Anglo Canadian	4.75
A P Consolidated	.23
Calgary & Edmonton	8.25
Calmont	.50
Commonwealth	1.00
Dalhousie	.43
Foothills	3.40
Mercury	.12
Globe	.62
Home	13.65
Okalta Com	1.82
Pacific Pete	4.35
Royalite	9.70
Southwest Pete	.50
Vanalta	.21
West Leduc	.71
INDUSTRIALS	
Coast Breweries	5.50
Neon Products	13.50

Winnipeg Grain

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23 (CP)—Winnipeg grain cash prices:
Oats—No. 1 feed, 75⅛.
Barley—No. 1 feed, 1.24 ...

Market Trends

VANCOUVER (CP) — Looking forward to the four-day holiday, the Vancouver Stock Exchange prices remained virtually unchanged during the morning session. Transactions numbered 57,396.

NEW YORK (AP) — With a show of moderate activity, the stock market held a steady course today. Trading was at the rate of 1,500,000 shares for the entire day, final session of the week.

MONTREAL (CP)—Prices were generally higher near the final hour of the Montreal Stock Exchange today.

Advances were mostly fractional, but the odd one ranged up to a point. A number of issues enlarged their gains taken at the opening, but others slipped back slightly.

LONDON (Reuters) — Dealers on the London Stock Exchange were busy today—busy creating a festive atmosphere. Trading was small, but prices were generally firm.

Changes in British Government stocks were few. The short-dated issues recorded small gains on small support.

TORONTO STOCKS
CLOSING PRICES

MINES	
Akaitcho	.67
Amal Larder	.15¼
Anglo Huronian	9.60
Aunor	3.30
Barymin	.60
Base Metals	.27
Belloterre	7.50
Bevcourt	.26
Bonetal	.42
Boymar Gold	.15
Bralorne	9.50
Broulan	.50
Buffalo Ank.	2.20
Can. Mal.	.65
Cariboo Gold	1.35
Castle Treth.	2.20
Central Patricia	1.04
Chesterville	1.71
Coast Copper	.70
Cochenour	2.24
Conlaurum	1.03
Cons. Beatty	.53
Cons Mining & Smelting	101.50
Conwest	1.20
Croinor	.52
Discovery	.30½
Dome	17.50
Donalda	.55
East Malartic	2.30
Elder Gold	.36
Eldona	.37
East Sull.	5.20
Falconbridge	4.60
Frobisher	2.58
Giant Yel.	6.35
God's Lake	.35
Golden Manitou	2.48
Hallnor	4.25
Hardrock	.25
Hasaga	.46
Hedley Maa.	.30
Hollinger	10.25
Hudson Bay	47.75
Inspiration	.38
Joliet Que.	.72½
Kayrand	4
Kerr Addison	18.15
Kirk-Hudson Bay	.61
Kirkland Lake	.12
Labrador	4.85
Lake Dufault	1.11
Lakeshore	13.75
Lake Wasa	.49
Leitch	1.20
Little Long Lac	.40
MacDonald	.48
MacLeod Cock	2.02
Madsen R. L.	3.10
Malartic G. F.	3.45
McIntyre	65.00
McKenzie R L	.50
Mining Corp.	12.50
Moneta	.37
Negus	1.53
New Calumet	1.15
New Goldvue	.31
New Jason	.50
Nicholson	.45
Nippissing	1.09
Noronda	66.50
Normetals	2.65
O'Brien	2.00
O'Leary	.20
Osisko	1.20
Pamour	1.33
Paymaster	.31
Pend Oreille	5.80
Pickle Crow	1.97
Pioneer	3.15
Porc. Pen.	.69
Powell Rouyn	.90
Preston E. D.	1.84
Quebec Mantiou	.77
Queenston	1.01
Quemont	21.25
Reeves Mac	2.26
San Antonio	3.00
Sen. Rouyn	.32
Sherritt Gordon	2.23
Sigma	8.65
Silanco	.32¾
Sladon Mal.	.76
Stadacona	.56
Starratt Olsen	.68
Steep Rock	2.40
Sylvanite	1.60
Teck Hughes	3.10
Toburn	.40
Trans Cont Res	.45½
United Keno	3.90
Upper Canada	3.35
Ventures	6.70
Waite Amulet	9.10
OILS	
Anglo Can.	4.80
Atlantic Oil	1.27
B. A. Oil	26.50
Calgary and Edmonton	8.40
Calmont	.50
Dalhousie	.43
Davies Pete	.34
Foothills	3.25
Imperial Oil	23.00
Nat. Pete	.36
Okalta	1.85
Roxana	.52
Royalite	9.80
Tower Pete	.40
INDUSTRIALS	

Due to wire conditions, no industrial stock quotations available.

Baby Born in Taxi

VANCOUVER, Dec. 23 (CP)—A 5½-pound, two-months-premature baby was born in a taxi cab outside a doctor's office in suburban Burnaby early today. The driver, who was taking Mrs. W. Hassion to hospital here, stopped when it became apparent the stork would win the race.

Canada Has Key for Closing Dollar Gap

EDINBURGH, Dec. 23 (CP)—The Scotman, Scottish Conservative daily newspaper, says today it almost seems as if Britain's Socialist Cabinet Ministers "are going out of their way to offend Canada."

Canada occupies a key position in helping to close the dollar gap, the Scotsman says. This gap is the difference between what the sterling area exports to the dollar countries and what it imports from them.

"The intense desire of Canadians to assist us has been readily apparent and unfortunately it seems to be taken now for granted."

NO COUNTRY HELPED MORE

The newspaper says that per capita no country has done more for Britain than Canada. "But what of the actions from our side?"

In 1938 Britain supplied about 18 per cent of Canada's total imports compared with only about 11 per cent last year, it adds.

"Clearly such a state of affairs cannot continue for long."

The Scotsman goes on to say that at present British purchases of Canadian wheat are being financed by Marshall Plan dollars, "but once that aid ceases both countries will be faced with serious issues.

The Scotsman adds: "What is at stake is not merely our relations with Canada. If we fail to narrow the gap it may be that certain members of the Commonwealth, especially India and Pakistan, will seek to manage their dollar earnings themselves and leave the sterling area."

A Commonwealth economic conference would serve a useful purpose, says the paper, "but we must give evidence of greater drive in increasing our contribution to the dollar pool of the sterling area."

Britain Has Water, Water Everywhere But Not Enough

By DON GILBERT
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 23 (CP)—Despite her abundant rainfall, Britain will be faced with a water famine within 20 years unless a way can be found to cut its use or build more reservoirs quickly.

A growing population and wider public liking for modern plumbing are outpacing construction of new storage facilities. Use of water has increased 30 per cent in 10 years and already some communities are unable to satisfy all demands.

The average Briton is using 50 gallons a day. That is modest compared with some Western standards. Water-short New Yorkers, for instance, use an average of 110 gallons a day in their homes.

A committee of experts designated by the Ministry of Health to look into the problem found elimination of waste the most practicable immediate solution. It estimated wastage at from three to 10 gallons per capita daily.

The report also mentioned loss of water through leaky faucets, the running of water into the drain until it comes hot, and continued use of automatic flushing systems in factories and offices during Sundays and holidays. The experts found a lot of British homes still get by with antiquated plumbing, the report said.

". . . more houses have been fitted with baths and sinks; privies have been replaced by water closets; and the domestic hot water system is being rapidly popularized.

"Despite the progress which has been made during the past 30 or 40 years there remains in industrial towns a surprisingly high per centage of limited facilities. Many people have no more than a cold water tap and water closet."

Bank Letter Reflects Mixed Outlook on Business Record

By FORBES RHUDE
Canadian Press Business Editor

The current monthly review of the Bank of Nova Scotia finds the business outlook a mixed one.

Last year's record is favorable, but the current picture is less assuring, says the letter, and it may be that during the coming year the downward pressures will outweight the sustaining influences.

EMPLOYMENT LEVEL

"Employment has stopped rising and in the last few months has barely held at the previous year's level. Unemployment, though relatively small, is significantly larger than a year earlier.

"Consumer spending has been levelling off; in some lines it has declined, but larger sales of automobiles and household equipment have sustained the total. Capital investment has continued at a very high level, but in some directions it is slackening and reduced activity in some of the capital goods industries suggests a lessening demand for machinery and equipment.

"Exports to overseas countries, though supported in total by the higher value of wheat and base metal sales, have continued to reflect the dollar shortage and the associated trade restrictions.

"In short, the trend of business has flattened out."

U. S. REVIVAL

The letter finds, however, that there is good reason to expect continuance for some time of a high level of capital investment in connection with resource development housing, public utilities, roads health, education and other municipal services.

"In addition, the recent business revival in the United States removes at least for the time being the gloomy prospect of a universal contraction in export markets and exercises an important sustaining influence in this country."

Deaths

By The Canadian Press

Hollywood — Joel E. Brown, 73, pioneer in the automotive industry.

Toronto — Guy F. Clarkson, former Secretary-Treasurer of the Misinabi Timber Company.

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. — John Ritchie Graham, 53, Secretary of the Bank of Montreal.

Sweetsburg, Que. — Dr. F. H. Pickel, 84, Mayor of this Quebec Eastern Townships community for the last 34 years.

Hollywood — Ralph Spence, 59, former screen writer and author of several New York stage productions.

Oslo — Col. Ole Reistad, 51, internationally-renowned skier.

Paris — Isaac Naiditch, 81, prominent industrialist and a founder of the Zionist movement in the United States.

A Traffic Menace

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP) — The Christmas safety slogan used to be "If you drink, don't drive." Chief Coroner Smirle Lawson warned today: If you drink, don't even walk, even if you can. He said drunken pedestrians are just as much a traffic menace as drunken motorists.

According to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics 463,175 United States motor cars entered Ontario during September.

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NAKUSP SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTS HOLIDAY PROGRAM

NAKUSP, B. C., Dec. 23—St. Mark's Sunday School held its annual Christmas Tree in the Parish Hall. The tree was attractive in its festive decorations and colored lights. A program was presented by the different classes supported by their teachers with Miss Joan Brown officiating at the piano.

The opening carol was sung by everyone followed by carols by the two junior classes, intermediates and the seniors.

A recitation was given by Sheila Stanley, and another by Murray White, whilst two litle pantomimes were presented by the junior classes.

Rosalie Middlemas sang a solo accompanied by her sister, Edith and the senior class presented "The Christmas Story" also in pantomime form.

At the close of the entertainment Santa came and persented gifts and candy to the children.

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The display is in response to campaign being sponsored by the Nelson Retail Merchants Association. The contest has its motto "Say Merry Christams at your house with lights."

Anyone is eligible to enter contest. Entrants need only brighten the outside of their homes and gardens shrubbery with lights and decorations. The contest deadline is tonight, Christmas Eve. Judges will be around to view the decorations sometimes next week and distribute the prizes which have been posted.

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Third Slaying in Week Discovered At Welland, Ont.

WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 23 (CP)—Cab driver Arthur Gough, 28, of St. Catharines, was found dead today in a ditch on a lonely road in suburban Crowland Township. His body, head badly battered, lay a few feet from his abandoned taxi-cab.

The slaying was the third to come to light in this district within a week.

Gough's body was found by a trucker who told police that, while on his way to work, he spotted the partly-submerged body in a shallow ditch.

Nominated to 1950 Board Offices

Mayor T. H. Waters has been nominated to the Airport Committee of the Nelson Board of Trade for the new year while George W. Pease was nominated to the Council. These names not included in a report published Friday.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (CP) — The Canadian dollar was unchanged at a discount of 11⅛ per cent in terms of United States funds in closing foreign exchange dealings. The pound sterling was unchanged at $2.80⅛.

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Cattle Prices Continue Lower

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP) — Cattle prices continued around 25 cents to $1 lower at most market centres this week in pre-holiday season trading, the Agriculture Department reported today in its weekly livestock review.

Receipts at stockyards were seasonably light but demand and quality were such that buyers were somewhat indifferent. Hog prices were a general $1 a hundredweight lower at all market centres.

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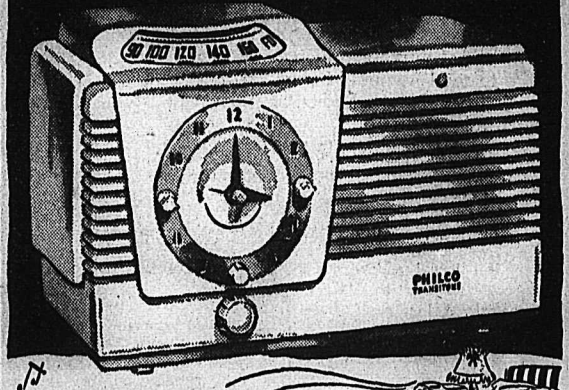

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