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Carols Enjoyed At Roberts Creek

When the Roberts Creek PTA held open house at the School on Tuesday evening an enthusiastic audience sang Christmas Carols to their hearts' content. Mr. Russell was an able M.C. and managed the program nicely. The Roberts Creek String Orchestra, under the direction of Miss McIntyre, provided the accompaniments, as well as some carol numbers of their own.

Dr. Hugh Inglis played two violin solos which were much enjoyed, and Mrs Blakeman sang one of the older carols as a solo. The Roberts Creek custom of serving lunch and enjoying a chat with friends after the program closed the evening.

Carol singing at Roberts Creek will continue on to the Children's Concert on the 18, and will wind up at the church services on the 21st and 28th.

St. Aidan's Junior Choir will join with the congregation, while at the United Church, a Teen-age choir will assist soloist Mrs. E.J. Shaw and the congregation in a choral service.

Legislature Will Meet in February

In a letter to Tony Gargrave MLA, Deputy Provincial Secretary, R.A. Pennington informed the new member that the Legislative Assembly would convene on Tuesday, February 3rd, at Victoria.

Tony announced that he will be moving his residence to Westview on January 17, and his mail address will be Box 235, Westview, B.C. After this date mail for Mr. Gargrave should be sent to that address or during the session to Parliament Buildings Victoria.

During the last few weeks Tony has been visiting the Sechelt Peninsula frequently, and will tour the north end of the riding, including Ocean Bella in the latter part of January before proceeding to Victoria.

Turkey Shoot For "March of Dimes"

In aid of the March of Dimes, the Canadian Legion, Branch 140, Sechelt, is holding a Turkey Shoot on Friday and Saturday, December 19, and20.

The shoot will be held at the Legion Hall, on Friday, from seven to ten in the evening, and from two to three on Saturday afternoon. After dinner again, on Saturday evening, from seven to ten, there will be the grand finale.

The funds will be turned over to the 'March of Dimes' fund, and the Legion members are expecting a good showing for this cause, as well as for a lot of fun and demonstrations of skill.

Post Office Hours

Gibsons Post Office advises that the hours for the General Delivery wicket to be open on Wednesday, December 31st, will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., giving everyone an opportunity to collect all rail before New Year's Day, which is a Post Office Holliday.

Christmas Services At Local Churches

UNITED CHURCH

The Christmas service for Port Mellon will be held on Friday evening of this week at eight o'clock in the school

On Sunday December 21, the Gibson's service will be at eleven o'clock with special music with a junior singing group under the direction of Mrs. R. Vernon. The fourth candle will be added to the Advent Wreath.

At Roberts Creek the service will be at two o'clock. Miss M. McIntyre has arranged special Christmas music with soloist and a singing group.

At Selma Park the service will be at half past three. For these services at each place there is a special welcome to all who care to attend, especially to visitors.

The Christmas Party for the Sunday School is this Saturday afternoon at half past three.

ANGLICAN CHURCH

In Gibsons, at St. Bartholomew's Church, the Christmas Eve service wll be held on Wednesday, Decmeber 24, at 11:30 p.m. Christmas Day service will be at 11:30 a.m.

In Sechelt, at St. Aidan's Church, Christmas Eve service will be at 11:15 p.m. Wednesday December 24.

Christmas Day Service will will be held at 10:00 a.m. and a Carol Service will be held on December 28, at 11:00 a.m.

In Roberts Creek, at St. Aidan's Church, Christmas Day Service will be at 11:00 a.m., and a Carol Service will be held on Sunday, December 28, at 3:15 p.m.

Disposal Area To Be Inspected

The new and much needed business of Garbage Collection and disposal, to be operated by Gordon Mooney of Gibsons, is to start early in January. Gordon reports that he has now to have the areas for the disposal of the garbage inspected by the Health Officer, and that he has a choice of seven plots of ground for this purpose.

The areas must meet standards that will prevent them from being either a nuisance or a health hazard. Questioned about an incinerator, Gordon stated it wa his intention to install a unit when these inspections have been completed and his work is well established.

It is to hoped that he will receive the co-operation of the citizens in this venture, for the general improvement of both the appearance and the sanitation of the community.

Guild of St. Hilda's Elect New Officers

At the annual meeting of the Guild of St. Hilda's Anglican church the following officers were elected: Mrs. L.F. Scott, President; Mrs. C.C. Lucken, Vice President; Mrs. A.A. French, Secretary; Mrs. W. Uttley, Treasurer. The executive Committee is Mrs. G. Batchelor, Mrs. E. Redman, and Mrs. Turner. Past President is Mrs. W.B. Billingsley.

Creek Legion Build Own Hall

Just East of Roberts Creek, on a small eminence, stands a sturdy, foursquare building, red roofed, and fronted by a tall flagpole. It is the Roberts Creek Legion Hall (Branch 219).

For the past three years, plans have have been laid, and money saved, in order to construct the Hall.

From the first bull-dozing of the site to the fitting of the kitchen sink and cupboards this work has been carried out by the members themselves.

The interior of the hall is lined with plywood, with the striking feature of a 'barrel ceiling' rising from the walls in a graceful curve to the centre.

In all this project the Legion has been ably supported by the Ladies' Auxiliary. Their fund raising ventures have been most successful.

In all this building and finishing, the Roberts Creek Legion has followed a 'pay-as-you-go' policy, and while in consequence perhaps, the hall took longer to complete, they now own it, and not a mortgage on it instead. They are to be commended for this splendid work.

On New Year's Day, the Legion will be 'At Home' from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. to the Ladies of the Auxiliary, to its friends and well-wishers in the district.

Legion Whist Proves Popular

The Gibsons Branch of the Canadian Legion announces the successful completion of its Whist tournament, which has been running for the past ten weeks.

Held every two weeks, the Whist evenings averaged about fifty players each party, and the total scores for the five parties were very close.

The three top scores were won by Mrs. Winnifred Ross, who had 1091, Mrs. Griffis with 1090, and M.A. Crowhurst 1089. Mrs. Ross was the winner of the first prize of twenty five dollars.

The highest evening score was won by Mrs. Irene Hunter, whose prize for this feat was a silver butter dish.

Sam Fladager, Legion President, announces that a new series will start early in the New Year.

Shell of Sechelt Has New Owners

Sechelt now boasts another business. Jimmie Renton is opening the Shell Service. He plans to give complete garage service to the public, from a gallon of gas to truck repairs.

Jimmy is well known to all the Peninsula, and should be able to make such a business go. While his sales department for the present is concerned with tires, parts and accessories, gasoline and oils etc., it is rumored that Jimmy has larger plans for the future.

The Shell Service is located on the main street of the Village Center, past the Tasella Shop. We wish him success in this venture.

Commission Asks Road Investigation

At the regular meeting of the Gibsons Village commissioners held on tuesday evening, a report was received to the effect that the Contract work on the Water Mains had now been completed. There still remains the work of changing over to the new system, which has to be done in sections, and will take considerable time to complete.

The matter of car parking in congested areas, overnight and long-time parking was discussed at some length, and the parking of cars near stop signs. It was decided to take action in all these matters.

When the deplorable condition of the Gower Point road came up for discussion, a telegram from the Deputy Minister of Public Works was read. The telegram, dated December 15, stated that the Divisional Engineer had been advised of the condition of the road, and that the matter was being investigated immediately.

Since it has in the past been the custom of such officials to visit this community on Wednesdays, it was decided to wait until Wednesday, to see whether anyone representing the Department would arrive to inspect the road, or investigate conditions. (As of Press time, no such investigators had been observed in the area).

Sechelt PTA Holds Teen-Agers Party

The Teen-agers of Sechelt and points east and west agree that the pary held in the Wilson Creek Community Hall last week, was the best one ever.

Each girl and boy was given a memento of the evening, the girls all receiving Christmas corsages, and the boys clasp knives and chains.

Refreshments were served, and the boys and girls were entertained by the novelty numbers of Maurice Hemstreet.

The gifts, and prizes for novelty dances were presented on behalf of the Sechelt Firemen by Maurice Hemstreet and Tommy Robilliard. The program had been arranged by Jack Whittaker and Dick Kendall.

Members of the PTA assisting were Mrs. Grace Cook, Mrs. Lee Redman, Mrs. B. Simm, Mrs. Jessie Lucken, Mrs. D. McColl, Mrs. Ken Whitaker, and Mrs. Gordon Potts.

The whole evening was made possible by the generosity of the Sechelt Volunteer Fire Brigade, through their gift to the PTA.

Another party is in the offing for the Pre-school and Elementary School children, and will be held in the Indian School on December 19th.

Many Prizes At Polio Dance

On behalf of the Kinsmen's Polio Fund drive, the Shell Oil Gibsons, sponsored a dance on December 13th, and Joe Schutz, Shell Oil dealer reports that the dance was a huge success, every one had a grand evening, and that the receipts, totalling $179.00 have been turned over to the Kinsmen for their Polio Fund.

Prizes, Door prizes, Floor prizes and Special prizes were won by the following: Jack Marshall, Mike Landry, Fred Holland, Mrs. J. Drummond, Mrs. H. King, Mrs. F. Stenner, Gus Schneider, Bob Nygren Ruth Brumbaugh, Nilo Wiren, Harry Smith and George Sicotte.

Children's Party Held at Gambier

The P.C.M.R. unit of the Army and Navy and Air Force Veterans, at Gambier Harbour played hosts to a gay party of more than forty children from the district on Sunday Dec. 14.

Games of all kinds provided lots of fun for all, after which Santa Claus came calling with gifts for all the children then tea was served for everyone.

The whole party was a success, and much thanks are due to the merchants of Gibsons whose contributions towards the party helped to make it so.

Change of Teachers Announced Here

The School Secretary reports that resignations have been received from two of our local teachers, to take effect at the end of the term.

Mrs. Symchych, from the Primary department of the Gibsons School is leaving then, to join her husband in New York. He has received a call to a position which starts in April. Paul and Iris are leaving with their mother. They have been attending High School here.

Mrs. Margaret Slater, from division 2, at Sechelt, is leaving also at the end of the term.

Mrs. George Ayles will take over in the Primary grades at Gibsons, while Mrs. V.M. Dobbin will teach at Sechelt.

CNIB Drive Now Completed

The Canadian National Institute for thte Blind, Gibsons Branch, reports that the drive for funds started this fall has now been completed and that the response to this appeal has been truly generous.

The sum of $600.00 has been raised through the campaign, according to Mr. Tom Larson, who has been acting on behalf of the Institute in Gibsons.

Mr. Bill Lissiman reports that there are seven regular members of the evening classes in handicrafts, which are held every two weeks in Gibons by a home teacher.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS FOR GAMBIER MEETING

The General Meeting of the ANAF will be held at Gambier on Sunday, December 21st, at 1:00 p.m., when the Provincial President, Jack Ellis, and the Provincial Secretary, H. Warburton, will be on hand to address the meeting.

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Editorials

The Gifts We Receive

At the beginning of this Christmas Season, we are interested in the behavior of our fellow–beings, and enjoy watching them. Since time immorial, this has been a season for the giving of gifts, and somehow we have all grown to expect that we shall be on the receiving end. Just now many people go about with a gleam of anticipation in their eyes — and we wonder if we are'nt all inclined to anticipate receiving, more than giving.

For ourselves, we receive gifts evey day of the year. They are'nt done up in the accepted bright tissue and ribbons, or accompanied by little cards of cheerful greeting, but none the less, they are to us the Chritmas Gifts supreme.

There's the mischeivous grin of the small boy we meet in the street, the smile of the little girl, as she raises her eyes from some minute task that absorbs her. There is, too, the warm handclasp of the old friend we meet at the corner, as we both enjoy the pleasure of the encounter.

The cheerful manner of those who give us service, whether in the line of their business or not — the unfailing courtesy, the passing joke — even just the hand raised in daily greeting, which help to make our way more pleasant.

The work of our doctors, bankers and teachers, who spend their lives trying to make us healthy, wealthy and wise; and that of our lawyers, who try to keep us out of trouble — these are all given pleasantly, and quite as though each of us were his sole concern.

There are the cleaners and the laundrys, who do their utmost to keep us looking respectable. The telephone staff who answer our calls, the light men who take care of our illumination (no pun intended).

Granted, everyone works for his living, and all these things are a part of the job, but it's the way in which they do things that counts with us.

The grocer never fails to give a pleasant greeting, there's always a cheerful word from the baker and the butcher.

The glergymen do their utmost to give us a glimpse of truth and rightousness, our truckers and bus drivers, our taxi–men and garage operators — they all give in this way a little gift that is not reckoned in dollars and cents to us.

Our families and loved ones, by their care and understanding, make each of our days treasured beyond estimation.

Then, there's that grubby but warm and confiding little hand that will reach for ours while its owner skips along beside us for a half a block while we go about our business.

These are some of our Christmas Gifts that we receive every day. We give thanks for them as we do for our daily bread; they are equally valued. Our hope is that we may sometimes give a little in return.

The Gibsons Branch of the Canadian Institute for the Blind would like to thank all the people of the Sechelt Peninsula who so generously contributed to their drive for funds during recent weeks. We have been pleased to accept this help to a great cause.

Hypo Cleans Shelves

by Madge Newman

Hypo, short for hypothetical woman, decided, as many of you have, to meet the Yuletide Season with shiny, clean cupboards.

One shelf in her kitchen accomodates a dinner service for 12, of which so many pieces are missing that the last member of the family to reach the table finds himself eating off the cloth. Nevertheless, it holds all of the dishes customarily being used in the house. The other eleven shelves in the kitchen and the three in the dining room bulge with useless bits and pieces fit only for the white elephant sales at bazaars. This year Hypo was determined to do something about it, and to that end brought in a hammer to aid in demolishing the junk before dropping it into a hole in the ground. a precaautionary measure taken to insure against reclaiming the stuff at a later date.

She started with the glassware in the dining room and assembled the contentts of the three shelves on the kitchen table. Even on such a dark, dismal day, the pale light fell across the shimmering flamingo rose of the long stemmed goblets, the long and short stemmed sherbets, the fluted water glasses and salad plates, the paper–thin wine -glasses and other pieces and caused a rosy glow over that end of the room.

Her mind travelled back over the years to the occasions when she had acquired the set, six pieces at a time. Dreamily she poured soap powder, soda and perfex with a liberal hand into a sinkful of hot water, dug out a handful of linen towels from beneath a stack of flour sacks, and went to work.

"O. well," she thought, "There is a birthday coming up in a few days and these glasses glowing pinkly in the light of candles on a lace cloth cloth do look party–ish. I'll keep them a while longer."

Next she attacked the top left hand kitchen shelf. Digging around in the dust she came across a stack of loose recipes but didn't burn as, to have been put there in the first place, they must contain something special. At a later date she would go through them. She replaced them.

The rest of the shelf was taken up with frogs. Plain wire frogs of assorted sizes, coy turtles and magnificent swans, round frogs, square frogs, oblong and fancy shaped frogs,

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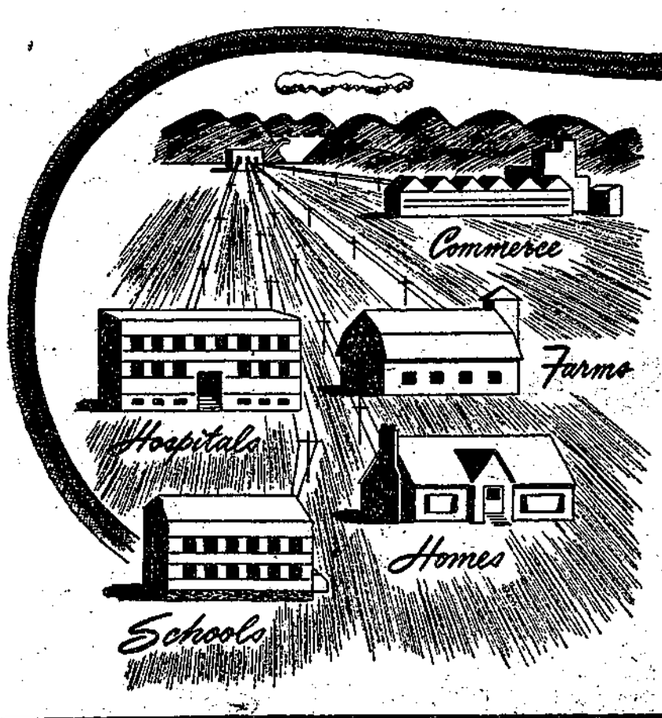

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Shelf Cleaning

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all nestled together in the dust. The only time Hypo was known to use a frog was in the Spring when she stripped her garden of it's daffodils, usually about seven in number, and placed them in a low, green bowl on the piano. The frog kept them from oozing onto the polished wood after they had drooped to a brown and soggy old age.

The next shelf contained platters, Platters large enough to exhibit a full-grown pig or steer, smaller ones for 25 lb. turkeys and tiny ones for steaks, left-overs from a long line of inherited dinner sets.

One shelf outdid itself in the matter of eggcups. As for marmalade dishes, the largest chain of hotels stretching from coast to coast requires fewer. Surely these were superflous, she mused. Especially as the children invariably place the whole 4 lb. of marmalade, complete in tin, on the table, having little use for insignificant, dainty containers where food is concerned.

One shelf was redundant with fragile, many-hued sugar and cream sets, many of them suitable for breakfast trays. Who gets breakfast trays? Her father had given her one set, a cut glass one. Another was a gift from her son bought on his first trip alone to the city. There seemed a good reason for hanging on to each of the sets. Resigned, she crammed them back on their shelf.

Cake plates! To the right! To the left! Background. Foreground. How could one accumulate so many plates? The shelves had to be specially spaced to accomodate the larger ones. Well, at least she could spare a few of those to the hole in the ground. The pale green and crystal? With the soft, shaded sprays of flowers fused into the green? Ah, no. It was too beautiful to destroy, and too, it was a keepsake given to her by the sister of an old lady who had passed away, and one of a houseful of rare and priceless things brought to California from Pennsylvania. And each of the plates had a history, and was precious.

Next came bowls. Ach, Gott! that there could be so many in one small part of the World. The fancy, glass one that sparkles so had been her father's and mother's. The heavy glass salt bowl and spoon were close to a hundred years old. And so on, through piece after piece and shelf after shelf, ad infinitum. Ouly the cream jugs were there by design, and Hypo could not help herself being a collector of those. Perhaps it ran in the family.

By the end of the afternoon all were washed and stowed back on the shelves for another year. Hypo stood back and surveyed the fruit of her toil. She had spent a pleasant afternoon at the job, for, although she has worked at the sink in the flesh, in spirit she had travelled many miles, and in memory incident to each dish she handled, she relived another, perhaps happier day.

Closing the cupboard doors, she made ready to tackle the food shelves, on which she was to discover all the duplicate cans and packages, including four extra cans of custard powder, three packages of corn starch and much too much corn meal, gone wormy.

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Church Services

ANGLICAN CHURCH
December 21, 1952
4th Sunday in Advent
St. Bartholomew's Church
Gibsons
11.00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Carol Service
St. Hilda's Church — Sechelt
1.45 p.m. Evensong
1.45 p.m. Sunday School
St. Aidan's Church
Roberts Creek
2.00 p.m. Sunday School
3.15 p.m. Evensong

UNITED CHURCH
Gibsons:
9.45 a.m. Sunday School
11.00 a.m. Public Worship
Roberts Creek:
2.00 p.m. Public Worship
Selma Park:
3.30 p.m. Public Worship
Port Mellon:
7.30 Friday Evenings
An invitation is extended to all who have no other church home.

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Sunday Services:
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Devotional
7:30 p.m. Evangelistic
Prayer and Bible Study
Wednesday 8 p.m.
Young People's, Friday, 7:30
Wilson Creek
2 p.m. Sunday School
Evangelistic Service
Tuesday 8 p.m.
Roberts Creek
Service Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Date Pad

December 20 — Roberts Creek, third annual Teen Town dance in the Community Hall at 9 p.m. Open to public.

December 20 — Gibsons Legion Hall, the Legion's 'Klondike Night'. Do not miss this—more fun than a circus.

December 20 — 8 p.m., Howe Sound Farmers' Institute Christmas Party, for Members and their Wives and families, Junior Poultry and Junior Garden Club members, in the Parish Hall, Gibsons.

December 21 — Sechelt Legion Hall at 8 p.m., the Choraliers will give a carol service. Come and enjoy a special Christmas program. Sing your favorite carols.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The local Phone Office will observe these hours on Christmas Day and New Year's. Mornings 10—12. Afternoons 2—4.

December 27 — Gibsons School Hall, Board of Trade Holiday dance, all Firemen and wives as guests. Fun for all —prizes good music.

December 31 — Gibsons School Hall, 10 p.m. New Year's Eve Dance (Gibsons Branch Canadian Legion)

January 5 — Institute Hall, the Annual Meeting of the Farmers' Institute.

January 7 — Honourable James Sinclair will hold a public meeting in Gibsons. Details later.

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Gibsonews

by W.M. New

Christmas time visitors are beginning to arive in Gibsons. Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Chamberlin are home again for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Humphries of Soames Point are in Vancouver for several weeks.

Mrs. A. Wilander has not been feeling her usual self these last few days, and her friends are hoping she recovers soon.

Many children seem to be travelling on the ferry these days. So here are a few hints to parents as to how to handle their youngsters on board and still have a pleasant trip.

Going to town is easy. Children are full of anticipation as to what they are going to do when they get there, and are likely to be quite responsive to a "Be good, or else—" but coming home is different, so, Feed them. Provide them with a new and interesting toy to play with. Then ignore them. by the time they have finished eating and exhausted the toy, they will be too tired to do anything more than climb over the backs of all the seats available and chase each other round and round the ship till the whistle blows for Gibsons

SELMA PARK

by H. I. L.

The regular monthly meeting of the DePencier Circle was held on Thursday, Dec. 11, at the home of Mrs. Duncan McColl. A buffet supper followed by gifts from the Xmas tree was greatly enjoyed. These young women take care of the choir, and maintain the Sunday school, and are a great help and asset to the Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Gen. Colson have gone to Vancouver for the next three months. Mrs. J. Mowatt will be a guest at the Grosvenor Hotel for a few weeks. Mrs. E. Lenk and two children from Esquimalt, will be the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Batchelor for the Christmas season. Mr. Lenk is with the Navy in Korean waters.

Mrs. M. Livesay will be spending Christmas in Vancouver with her children, Mr. and Mrs. J. Livesay, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Bryson and grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Holland have taken up residence in Selma Park, in the little house of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Osborne.

Quite a number of Selma Park Ladies have been down to Vancouver lately, including Mrs. H. Temple, Mrs. W. Swain, Mrs. H. Batchelor, and Mrs. D. McColl. The bright lights are attractive, but it's so good to get home again to peace and quiet and a pair of old shoes!

Just in case I don't get a column in next week—"Merry Christmas Everyone."

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Sechelt

By ARIES

Distinquished visitors to Sechelt are Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Miniato and son Paul, coming here from Curacao, West Indies and staying with Mrs. Miniato's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Evans. Mrs. Miniato is the former Dorothy Evans, and a neice of Mr. W.J. Mayne of Sechelt.

Mr. V.F. Dunn is back home from Shaughnessy Hospital and says theres no place like home. Hope he keeps in better health from now on.

Just returned from Kelowna where she spent a short visit is Mrs. W. Malikoff and baby.

We hear the St. Hilda's Girls Choir soon will be singing the Christmas carols. We are looking forward to hearing them, the childish voices sound so sweet on the evening air.

We wish to welcome to the Village Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Renton, David and Alan. Mr. Renton is operating the Shell Service Station. We wish him all success in his new venture.

Don't forget the 18th, the annual Christmas concert of the Bethel Church held in the Legio nHall.

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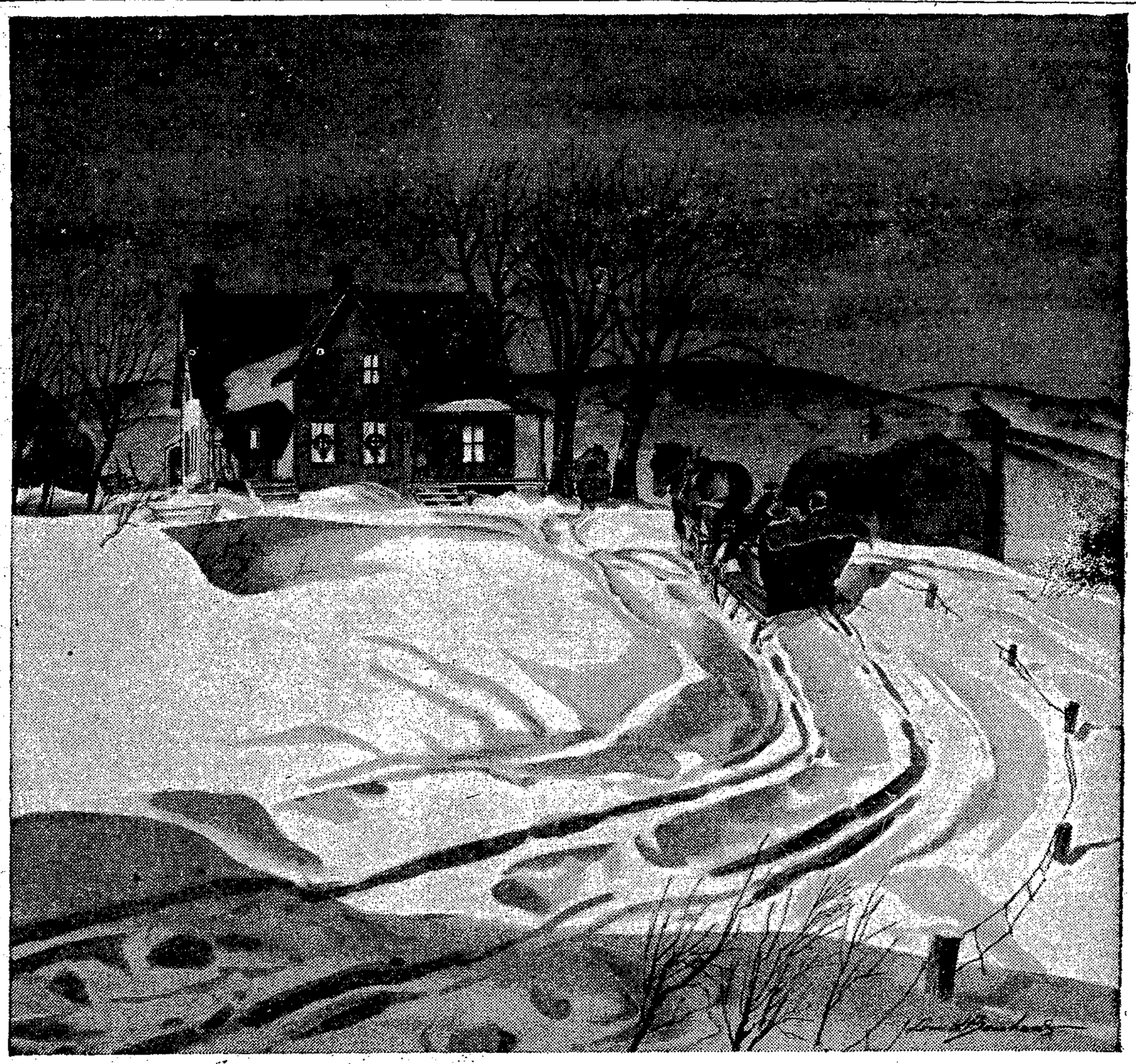

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SCHOOL NEWS

By students of Elphinstone Junior-Senior High School

Editor in Chief: Celia Flumerfelt News Editor: Donna Bingley
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As I See It

by Eric Lindwall

Well, Christmas is here at last. After all the advertising in the newspapers for the past months, it comes as a sort of anti-climax. I think people get more enjoyment out of the shopping that preceeds the Day itself — fighting their way through crowds and getting a bloodthirsty pleasure out of tramping on people's toes — my toes, to be exact.

When I go down on my annual Christmas shopping spree, I am dressed in sturdy clothes and wear a heavy pair of dress shoes, (self defence), so I can plunge into the thick of the crowds. I ration my money out very carefully before I set out, (people have been known to get so enthusiastic over Christmas shopping that they sink themselves so far in debt there's no money left for the turkey —a sad loss!)

It is not much use writing out a list, you never get a chance to look at it. Carried along in the press of the crowd, you make desperate snatches at the goods displayed and if you get something you want, lucky you!

Another pitfall for the unwary shopper is children. Children, worming their way through the crowd with their little sharp heels, (and my tender shins), sticky candy, and piercing cries, are enough to make you give up and lose your Christmas spirit completely.

But, after coming out of this madhouse alive, you have a feeling of satisfaction — you have done your best and have loved every minute of it. Your excursions from toyland on the sixth floor to groceries in the basement have provided your family and you with enough of the necessities to have a perfect Christmas. You have your Christmas spirit bouyantly intact and you say, "Merry Christmas, Folks, and a Happy New Year'.

Girls Basketball

The Elphinstone Girls won their first basketball game of the season at Woodfibre last Friday. They won with the outstanding score of 55—26. They were ahead through the whole game and in the third quarter went ahead by 25 points.

Top scorer was Karen Stoepwell with 16 points, next was Marylin Turner with 10 points.

HOUSE LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Wednesday: Jr. Boys C—16, B—4. Jr. Girls A—10, C—1.

Friday: Sr. Boys B—12, C—4. Sr. Girls A—7, B—6.

Bev Kane

Students Move

Two wellknown students of Elphinstone are leaving for New York. Iris Symchych a grade eight student and her older brother Paul are going with their mother to join their father who is attending university at New York.

On her last day at school, Iris was presented with her Scholarship and Citizenship Award that she won last Graduation.

Teen Towners Sponsor Dance

The Roberts Creek Teen Town is entering its sixth active year. When it was organized in 1947 the membership was quite large. Now after families have moved and other members graduated our numbers are getting smaller. But this has not put a dent in the small group's enthusiasm for work. The small parties are still held. Public dances are sponsored to raise funds for the Childrens Hospital.

A sum of money has been put aside for a dictionary for the High Shcool. Teen Town sponsors a Park Queen Competition every July 1st. When the hall needs decoration, or there is going to be Park Bee, or the PTA sponsors a masquerade, Teen Town members always show up. Perhaps some some of you know the work that goes into the sponsoring of a dance — posters refreshments, orchestra, all need to be taken care of.

The Queen competition requires a list of the eligible girls, ballots, ballot boxes, stand to be built and decorated, thrones, a scroll, flowers, gifts, and a truck to be decorated. How many know of the time and work that these young people put into their projects?

On December 20, theRoberts Creek Teen Town is sponsoring a Public Dance at the Roberts Creek Community Hall. This is to be their Third Annual Public Dance so lets all get out and support the local kids and the kids in the Crippled Children's Hospital.

Girl Guides

The girl guides under the leadership of Mrs. L. Peterson are holding a Christmas Party for some of the younger children on December 16. I am sure the children, one invited by each of the guides; will play the games and enjoy the gifts that were left by Santa Claus.

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The Sports Beat

The voyage to Woodfibre is over and it was a very sucessful one for all three teams.

The junior boys played first after a tour of the mill.

In the first half our boys seemed rather shaky and disorganized. As a result Woodfibre lead 13—9 at the half.

But as the game proceeded our boys gained confidence in themselves and each other. At the end of the third quarter Gibsons held a 23—17 lead and they never once looked back. They outscored Woodfibre 19—5 in the final frame.

The stars of the game were Bob Douglas who went wild scoring 14 points, all of them in the last half. The other star was wee Jack Bestwick, He scored only one basket, but that's really something for someone about four feet tall.

The Senior boys game was a wild and woolie affair with 20 personal fouls called, ten on each team, and there should have been more called. Top scorer was Bobby Nygren, who made 21 points after collecting three fouls in the first half, and one more later in the game.

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Porpoise Patter

by Sally Ann

Mr. Kenneth White, Government Inspector from the National Chinchilla Association of Canada, paid a visit to the local breeders, the Clarence Newcombes, recently. The Newcombes were very pleased to gt a very good grading on their chinchillas.

The Clarence Stubbs are down from Osborne's Camp in Narrows, Arm and report that, due to the snow, the camp will be closed down till after the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Peter MacMillan and daughter Janice left for Vancouver on Sunday the 14, for an extended visit, and may possibly reside there permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Anderson are planning on spending the Christmas holidays visiting with friends and relatives in Trail, and Spokane. While they are away, Mr. Anderson is having some repair work done on his boat at Egmont.

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Gower Gleanings

By GYPSY TOWERS

A last little get together of the Scottish Dancers was held at Stromlochie before the departure of Mrs. A.B.B. Hill for Lumby and Mr. and Mrs. James Beaton for Portland, Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. William Bow to North Vancouver to spend Christmas with their family. A most active and enjoyable time was had.

Mrs. Harry Chaster combining Christmas activities with preparations for another flying trip East early in the New Year.

Mrs. Norman Hough to town for last minute shopping and a visit to the dentist so there will be no trouble getting around the Christmas turkey. Mrs. S.A. Porteous spending a day or two with daughter Jean Mainil on the Pratt Road before returning to Vancouver to await the release from Hospital of Mr. Porteous who is coming along nicely after his operation.

The Don Poole's and their three beautiful children very busy making preparations for Santa Claus. Congratulations to Mrs. George Ayles who is joining the teaching staff at the Gibsons School after the Christmas Holidays.

Sorry to note the deteriorating condition of the Gower Point Road — the question to equip with pontoons or whittle out a canoe!

While on the disgruntled end —why is no consideration given by the Sechelt Bus Lines to the passengers getting on at Gibsons? Invariably on Sunday nights the bus when it arrives from Sechelt is crowded and people standing and the people from Gibsons have no choice but to stand from Horseshoe Bay to Vancouver. It is really not funny.

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Top high single score of the week goes to Orv Moscrip with a 310 in the Ball and Chain. Eve Moscrip rolled a 709 in the Sechelt Ladies League for high three honors, while Bill Swain's Missing Links in the Ball and Chain turned in a 2661 for high team.

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YOUNG PEOPLES LEAGUE

Marilyn Turner 214. Karen Stockwell 428. John Clayton 251—580. Helen Garry's All-strikes 2000.

Halfmoon Beams

By F. Cormack

Two residents on the sick list this week are Mrs. A. Rutherford, wife of our Postmaster at Halfmoon Bay, and Mrs. T. Robilliard of Redroofs. Mrs. Rutherford is resting comfortably at the Vancouver General Hospital, after being rushed there last week. Mrs. Robilliard is feeling much better, and has returned to her home after a check-up in Vancouver.

Lloyd MacDougall of Boston Bar is visiting his mother, Mrs. P. Meuse of Hydeaway Bay for the holiday season. Mr. and Mrs. W. Miller of Redroofs are the proud grandparents of a baby girl born to their daughter Mrs. J. Romanick of Vancouver, on December 10. The Don MacDonalds of New Westminster were up at their summer home, over the week-end. They played Santa Claus to all the neighbors by cutting and delivering Xmas trees to all and sundry.

Mr. Tony Gargrave, MLA, was a week-end vistor in the district. He met a number of the residents, informally, with a view to speeding up the extension of electric power North of Sechelt.

The Government has commenced construction on a 60 foot float for small craft at the Halfmoon Bay wharf. We are hoping that the work will be completed by Spring.

Mr. Earl Laughlin of Logco was up Jervis Inlet over the week-end.

Mrs. Jim Cooper was in Vancouver for a few days last week.

Holiday Phone Hours

During Christmas Day and New Year's Day, Harry Winn says, the Telephone Office at Gibsons will be open for business from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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