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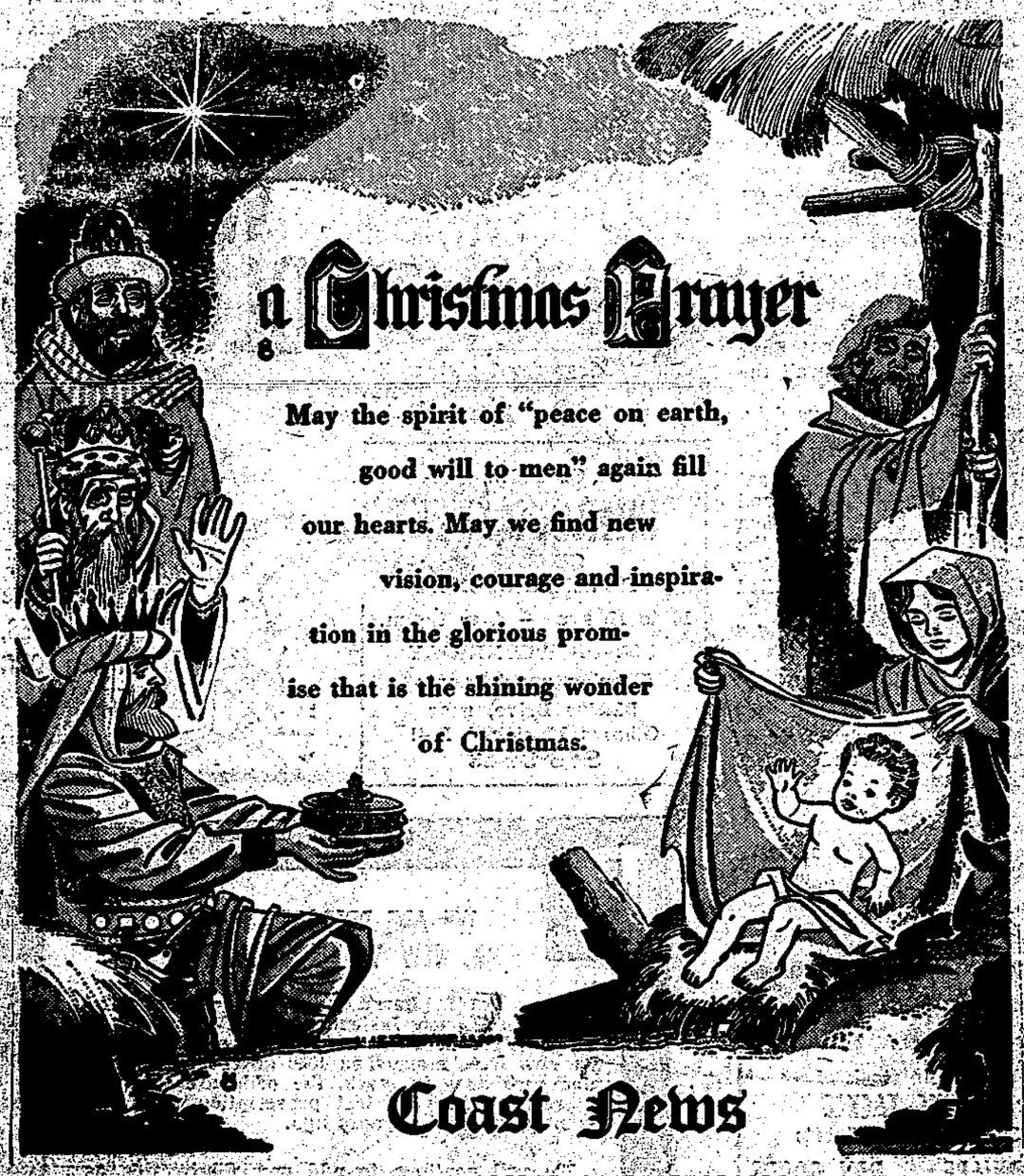


Sechelt council drops chlorination opposition

Sechelt's village council at its meeting on Wednesday evening of last week decided to drop further opposition to the installation of a system to discharge chlorinated effluent from a sewage system for the new St. Mary's hospital and the Indian reserve area, into Trail Bay.

This was done after the hearing of officials of government departments and medical health officers for the district. These officials announced work would start on the project by Jan. 15 to allow it to come under the federal government winter works plan and also to use the provincial government grant that would expire on March 31. The laying of the pipeline into deep water would be done with the aid of skin divers.

Councillor Bernel Gordon continued his protest maintaining he required time to check the answers he obtained from the officials at the meeting. Before the vote was taken councillors were asked their opinion of the project in the light of the explanations they had heard. Mr. Gordon was the only one who preferred more time to study it. The others were convinced that the system would not be harmful.

Present at the meeting were all council members with Mrs. Christine Johnston in the chair, William Robinson, regional engineer of the department of Indian affairs; Stanley Copp, regional engineer of the federal department of health and welfare; Barrie MacDonald, provincial sanitarian and Drs. Walter Burtnick and Allan Swan.

As the result of questions asked by Councillor Burnell Gordon council learned that the outlet into deep water for the system would be at least 20 feet below surface at low tide.

Chlorination used in the system would not kill all germs much in the same way that treatment of domestic tap water could not be said to be free of germs.

The beach in Sechelt area after this chlorination installation is open will still be a Class A beach because authorities would not regard such added water as dangerous.

The volume from the plant would be small, 60 gallons per minute, but would increase as the years went by.

One of the engineers took exception to the word spewing of water into the sea feeling that the word had an unpleasant connotation.

The provincial pollution control board, made up of water experts and other people concerned with this problem would test samples of the bay water both before installation and after with tests every so often to keep tab on what is happening.

The treatment plant will be established on the beach and discharge directly into deep water with hospital officials controlling the chlorinator.

No harmful chemicals would come from the hospital. Materials such as bandages would not reach the system because they would be destroyed by burning.

The system would service the hospital, Reserve school and inside plumbing installations in reservation homes. As there is a high water table underground in the reserve residential area and septic tanks cannot operate completely, installation of the chlorinator system would benefit the area.

The use of detergents in the hospital and their effect on the system would not be a problem because there would be no accumulation and no foaming outside the plant. No problem of this sort had been experienced at Gibsons where there is an effluent line running out to deep water.

With a capacity of 60 gallons a minute, strong tides and plenty of sea water available no trouble was expected in the dispersal from the system.

Engineers reported that before they set to work on the plans the best possible advice was sought. It was not their intention to install a plant which would have to be changed later on.

The meeting was told of one resident who it was expected would oppose the installation of the system. It was explained that anyone opposing this system should automatically oppose the building of a breakwater to protect pleasure craft and others using its shelter. Fifty such sheltered craft throwing raw sewage overboard would be more of a hazard to harbor water than the chlorination plant water.

It costs how much?

From $339,000 to 57 cents is quite a drop.

The $339,000 is what Sechelt School District ratepayers are asked to vote on next January 25 in order the school trustees can arrange for more much needed classrooms and get along with its building program.

The 57 cents is what ratepayers of the district will have added to their taxes to cover the financing of the amount required.

Actually under the Home Owner Grant not many taxpayers will have to pay more than the required $1.

Here is a breakdown of the referendum amount showing just what district ratepayers will pay towards the $339,000 referendum:

Total cost of program	$339,000
District's share of that cost	169,500
1963 taxable assessment of this district	$32,229,448
Cost of the program for the first year (estimated)	
Principal repayment	$17,000
Interest at $339,000 at 6%	20,340
Total payment for 1964	$37,340
District's share of that total (½)	$18,670
Increase in mill rate on total assessment of $32,229,448 — .57 mills	

Church Services

"Let The People Praise Thee, O God"

ANGLICAN

CHRISTMAS DAY
St. Hilda's, Sechelt
8:30 a.m., Holy Communion
St. Aidan's, Roberts Creek
10:00 a.m., Holy Communion
St. Mary's, Pender Harbour
11 a.m., Holy Communion
St. Bartholomew's, Gibsons
11:30 a.m., Holy Communion

DECEMBER 29th
St. Bartholomew's, Gibsons
11:15 a.m., Carols
St. Aidan's, Roberts Creek
3 p.m., Carols
St. Mary's, Pender Harbour
3 p.m. Evensong
St. Hilda's, Sechelt
7:30 p.m., Evensong

UNITED
Gibsons
11 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Nursery
11 a.m., Divine Service
Roberts Creek
2 p.m., Divine Service
Wilson Creek
11:15 a.m., Divine Worship
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

COMMUNITY CHURCH
Port Mellon
Anglican Communion 9:15 a.m.
1st Sunday of each month
Anglican Service 9:15 a.m.
3rd Sunday of each month
United Church Service 9:15 a.m.
All other Sundays

BAPTIST
Bethel Baptist, Sechelt
11:15 a.m., Worship Service
7:30 p.m., Wed., Prayer
Calvary Baptist, Gibsons
7:30 p.m., Evening Service
Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Thurs

ST. VINCENT'S
Holy Family, Sechelt, 9 a.m.
Most Pure Heart of Mary, Gibsons, 11 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS
Church Services
and Sunday School
each Sunday at 11 a.m.
Roberts Creek United Church
Radio Program: The Bible Speaks to You, over CJOR, 600, 8:30 p.m. every Sunday

PENTECOSTAL
Gibsons
10 a.m., Sunday School
11 a.m., Devotional
7:30 p.m., Evangelistic Service
Tues., 7:30 p.m., Bible Study
Fri., 7:30 p.m., Young People
Sat., 7:30 p.m., Prayer

GLAD TIDINGS TABERNACLE
11 a.m., Morning Worship
7:30 p.m., Evangelistic Service
10 a.m., Sunday School
Tuesday, 7 p.m. Bible School
Friday, 7:30 p.m., Rally

Queen's greeting

The annual Commonwealth Christmas Message by Her Majesty The Queen will be carried on the CBC television and radio networks at 10 a.m., Dec. 25.

On television, Christmas Day addresses will be given by Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson and CBC President J. A. Ouimet following H.M. The Queen. A repeat of Her Majesty's speech will be heard on the network at 7:10 and 11:09 p.m.

On CBC raido, The Queen's Message will be followed by Prime Minister Pearson. Mr. Ouimet's address will be heard at 8:30 a.m.

100 quite happy

Over 100 happy Pender Harbour youngsters were entertained on Saturday afternoon last week, at a Christmas party in the Legion Hall, Madeira Park. Sponsored and organized by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion, the party was a huge success.

A film showing, by Mr. Tjorhom of the high school teaching staff, was a popular feature, while two pupils of Mrs. Ed. Lowe, Barbara Cameron and April Walker, were a big hit in their novelty dancing number, The Irish Washerwoman. Mrs. Caryl Cameron officiated at the piano, and led the youngsters in rousing carol singing.

The big feature, the spectacular entry of Santa Claus, realistically portrayed by Hugh Hornsey, who usually does a conscientious job of anything connected with the Legion. Hughie distributed great big, fatherly kisses to the tots, and bags of candy to all and sundry, and guffawed his way right into the hearts of all the kiddies in a manner that Santa himself might have envied.

Legionnaires had done an excellent job of decorating the hall with a seasonal motif, plus a huge, decorated Christmas tree festooned with lights; a feature that rounded off a happy affair, carried out to perfection.

Young 'uns have party

They might have been members of the Old Age Pensioners Organization, but the 65 present in the Legion Hall, Gibsons, last Friday evening were all young at heart.

They devoured plates of turkey and trimmings prepared by the Legion ladies auxiliary and pulled bon-bons, wearing the hats discovered inside, then had carols, games, bingo and exchange of presents before those requiring transportation home were looked after by the Chancellors Car Club.

Harry and Mrs. Mylroie were the master and mistress of ceremonies and with the aid of William Haley, chairman, kept the evening moving along.

When the call came for members who were at least 82 years old, Mrs. Katie Morrow and Alex Kurtzhals stood and received the applause of the younger folk. The Lissiman flower display was won by Mrs. Joy and the Co-op door prizes by Helen Thorburn, Mrs. Hamilton and A. E. Newman.

Mr. Haley commented on the number of Roberts Creek people who had become interested in the organization and were attending OAPO functions. Members of the Kinettes who helped the OAPO along at its meetings were also present.

One unexpected feature was the handing out of crowns made from old Christmas cards by a member of the Newton branch of the OAPO. The cards were prepared with the aid of pinking shears, stapled together and when pulled out made a firm crown for the head.

Pool planned

Gibsons municipal council learned at Tuesday night's meeting the Gibsons Recreation Commission planned to work with the Kinsmen club towards building a wading pool in Kinsmen park for the use of youngsters.

This pool will be of normal wading depth, not more than two feet at its deep end. Plans are in the embryo stage at present. The commission will also help in improving the park grounds.

NEXT WEEK'S PAPER

The Coast News will be available Tuesday afternoon at stores and will be in the mail for delivery on Thursday.

Double tribute

Pender Harbour Legion paid a double-barreled tribute to Roy Fenn, at the annual general meeting last Friday. Roy received a standing ovation for his conscientious efforts as acting president over much of the past year and was unanimously elected branch president for the coming year.

Mrs. Trevor Payne also received the enthusiastic thanks for the manner in which she had taken over the duties of secretary-treasurer at short notice during a period of readjustment.

Other members of the new slate of officers for 1964 are: First vice-president, Bob Crichton; second vice-president, John Duncan; executive council, Clint Anderson, Jim Cameron, Bob Harper, Hugh Hornsey, Joe Stacey and Ben Vaughan. Andy Aitchson, past president, is a member of the executive, ex-officio.

An excellent turnout of members then settled down to enjoy a first-class clam chowder mug-up and bull session. The clams were made available through the nocturnal efforts of the youthful progeny of one of the Egmont members, whilst the branch is indebted to Mrs. Frank Campbell for preparation of what proved to be a magnificent chowder.

Christmas magic returns

By Mrs. M. WEST

To the child of yesteryear when Christmas crept up stealthily, the school concert marked the beginning of the festival season. For parents and children alike it was an important event in the community, not just one more affair to go to at the busiest time of the year. In returning to the old fashioned type of concert Gibsons Elementary school recaptured some of the majic of those more leisurely days.

The infectious gaiety of the smallest scholars, eyes sparkling to match their haloes and agog with excitement, set the mood for the evening. The clearest of introductions by Gordie Edwards launched a program of varied Christmas entertainment, music and carols, old favorites and some unfamiliar ones, recitations, drama and a delightfully mixed up drill team. Inclusion of the young pianists and the accordion duet was a happy one.

Tiny charmers Shelly Benson, Marilynne Musgrove, Helen Parker and Holly Walton, by Eileen MacKenzie and nine year old Ciana Watson with their Night before Christmas, were a delight.

The Drama Club presentation of Frosty the Snowman was fun. The principal characters the children played by Eileen MacKenzie, Karen Stanley, Dougie Oram and Bill Skellett and the Snowman, Noni Veale entered so wholeheartedly into their parts that they fooled the younger children in the audience who stood on their chairs in their concern to see where Frosty had gone. Mrs. MacMillen and Mr. Child as directors and the whole cast can take pride in the success of their first presentation.

The children's melodious voices, the soloists singing with such heartwarming sincerity really brought out the true spirit of Christmas, such as the littlest ones with their symbolic candles, or the sweetly blended voices of Pam Boyes and Chris MacDonald singing What Child is this?

Mr. Meyerhoff's young choir, their controlled singing the result of many a lunch hour and after school practise were excellent. Their three carols were a study in contrasting tones and rhythms. The traditional old English Holly and the Ivy sung as a processional, the chiming melody of the modern carol The Bells are Ringing and the joyous challenge of the Negro Spiritual, Go Tell it on the Mountain. The Drama Club and the choir should give other public performances before next Christmas.

The collection raised $74.28 which will comfortably clear expenses for the play-royalties, scripts, costumes, paint and the lumber for the scenery and lave a small amount with which to start a future production.

A complex program of this sort which runs like clockwork is not achieved without much work by every member of the staff, and judging by the good attendance, rousing applause and favorable comments a hearty vote of thanks is accorded to all.

BOTTLE DRIVE

All day Saturday, January 4, First Gibsons Scouts and Cubs will take part in a bottle drive. Those with bottles available for the lads to pick up are urged to have them ready in cartons where possible or boxes for easy handling.

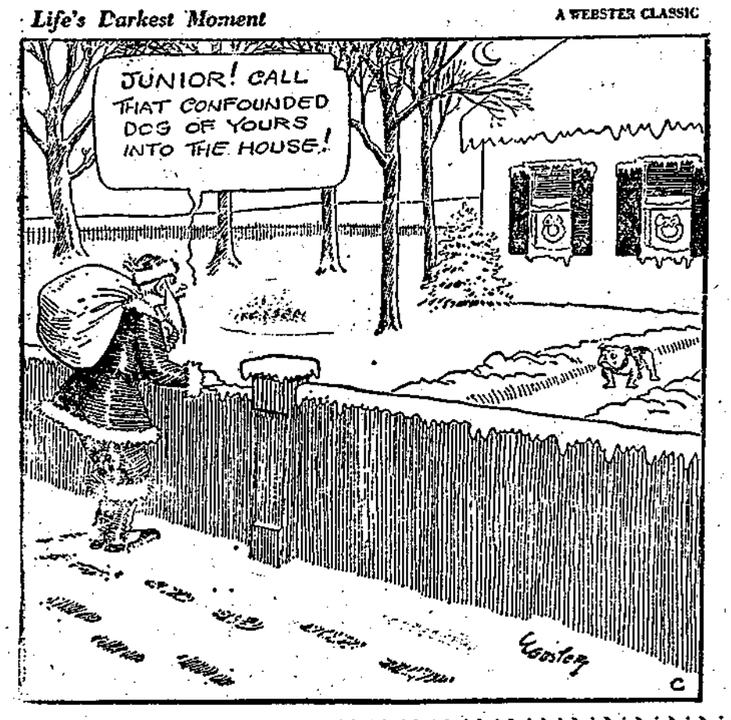
Zoning to be settled

Sechelt's zoning bylaw which has come before municipal council quite a number of times recently has reached the point where a special council meeting will be called early in January to clarify council's position.

This will be done to allow the mechanics of preparing the bylaw and public hearings which would follow, before the bylaw can reach the point of becoming law.

Councillor Swain wanted each member of council to have in his possession a complete set of Sechelt bylaws so when ratepayers asked questions he would be able to give an answer. Council voted to first seek information from the department of municipal affairs on this point. It was suggested there might be too many interpretations of any bylaw if every councillor had to offer advice at any time. Chairman Mrs. Johnston preferred that council as a whole should make any interpretations that might have to be made.

Life's Darkest Moment A WEBSTER CLASSIC



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And, as always at Christmas, this will be read in millions of churches and homes: Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger . . . And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men. — ST. LUKE

Long before the Birth of Christ, Isaiah the prophet predicted "the ox knows his Owner, and the ass his Master's crib" (Isaiah 1:3). Because of the part animals played in the Nativity, legends have grown up all over the world about them.

It was a widespread story that animals had the power of speech at midnight on Christmas Eve, and that they then knelt in adoration.

Bees hummed a song of praise then, but only those dear to God could hear them. Birds sang all night on that holy Eve, and their song was more melodious than ever . . . and because the cow warmed the Baby Jesus with her breath, it is sweeter than that of any animal.

The loveable St. Francis, friend to men and nature, felt that all creation should rejoice at Christmas, and since the dumb creatures had no other way of doing so, they should have better food and more comfort.

He asked that people throw corn and grain on the streets for the birds to enjoy the festival too, and all, as he says, "for reverence of the Son of God Whom on such a night the blessed Virgin Mary did lay down in the stall between the ox and the ass."

The Davis Ottawa Diary

By JACK DAVIS, M.P.
Coast-Capilano Constituency

When Canada's ten provincial premiers came to Ottawa recently each was armed with a well worded brief setting out his views as to future federal-provincial relations. The brief which received the most attention, at the outset, was that submitted by the Honorable Jean Lesage of Quebec. One paragraph, in particular, excited a great deal of comment both inside and outside of Parliament.

This section of Mr. Lesage's brief would, if adopted, have seriously limited the powers of the federal government with regard to international trade, transportation and the establishment of monetary policy in Canada.

Mr. Lesage's brief was adamant on one point, namely that the policy making powers of the provinces should remain intact. Meanwhile he was proposing that some, if not all, of Ottawa's powers should be handed over to a series of federal-provincial committees.

While little more was heard about the transfer of these powers to the provinces, the joint committee idea caught on. A series of federal-provincial conferences, for example, have been set up to deal with those policy fields which have been shared by the two levels of government ever since Confederation. Each conference will be limited to specific issues. Held throughout the year they will culminate in a summit conference to be held at the prime ministerial level.

One such meeting has already been held. It involved the provincial and federal ministers concerned with industrial development. Another meeting with regard to agriculture is to be held before the end of December. Indian affairs comes next and then public works. But, easily the most interesting of these conclaves — apart from the summit conference at which the prime minister will meet the premiers — is a federal-provincal meeting of finance ministers. This is now set for February, 1964.

It is significant that this meeting is to be held a few weeks before Finance Minister Walter Gordon hands down his next budget. One can be sure that the views of provincial ministers of finance will be heard in no uncertain terms. These undoubtedly will conflict one with the other. However Mr. Gordon, like the other federal ministers and the prime minister himself, will have a better idea of provincial reactions to his proposals than would otherwise have been the case.

Plum Duff

(By R. R. CUNNINGHAM)

At this season of giving, we are reminded of an old saying: "It is not the shilling I give you that counts, but the warmth that it carries with it from my hand."

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A father was telling us that the shortest night of the year is Christmas from sundown to sun up.

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Right after Christmas
When Santa has beat it,
Comes the bills.
When funds are depleted.

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Talking about Santa Claus, there was a time when he was known as St. Nicholas. In many countries good children receive holiday gifts from the saint on this day. And he is not only the patron saint of children and giver of gifts — but the saint of mariners, scholars, and pawnbrokers. Now how did pawnbrokers, of all people, get into this?

There are many legends about St. Nicholas. Once for three nights in a row he threw a bag of gold through the open window of a poor man who was desperately considering selling his daughters. Over the years the three bags of gold became the pawnbrokers' sign of three golden balls.

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Of course, about now you have discovered a budget is a plan to pay-as-you-go, but it doesn't let you go anywhere. And that does not do around Christmastime.

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At this time of year you hear much of the word goodwill. We happened to think that goodwill is priced on most financial balance sheets at $1. Odd, for such a priceless item!

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We'll drink and eat aplenty,
Our money will all be spent.
We'll likely forget the very thing
For which Christmas was really meant.

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If you don't like January weather in the north, then go south; if you don't like July weather in the south, go north; if you do like the weather anytime, anyplace, then you're still full of the Christmas spirit.

We'll soon know if the rockets from Cape Canaveral have knocked Santa Claus out of orbit.

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We shouldn't remind you that Chrstmas is when your take-out order shifts from the restaurant to the bank.

* * *

Ah, this merry season,
When peace and goodwill should abide;
But I've wrapped so many presents
That I, too, am fit to be tied.

At times when we are doubtful that the Christmas spirit is carried into the other 364 days of the year we like to recall the story of a bus driver:

I could tell from the bus driver's greeting when the blind woman got on that she must be a frequent passenger. She sat down directly behind him and they chatted as he drove. When we reached the woman's stop the driver got out and escorted her across the heavilly travelled street. He was chuckling as he returned to his seat and I noticed the woman still standing where he had left her. 'She won't go until she knows I got back safely," he explained. Then, with a honk of his horn, he drove away. The woman turned and walked toward her home.

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What shall we offer?

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The wisemen offered gold
And costly frankincense and myrrh;
Each brought his gift of old.

What shall we offer on Christmas Day?
Feast of the things of earth?
Or thought attuned to angels' songs —
Gift of our own new birth?

Kathleen O'Connor in The Christian Science Sentinel.

LETTERS to editor

Editor: With reference to your printed statement that I make similar mistakes in the effusions etc, it is, of course, very easy for you or anyone else who wishes to do so to make general statements in a matter of this kind but should not the protector of the public in this case detail the mistakes? What are the "similar mistakes"? The public are entitled to know, will you please give them details. Failing publication of this letter the public will know that your statement is not founded on the facts.

B. L. Cope.

Edior's Note: Mr. Cope should realize the editor of any newspaper has enough to do without keeping track of mistakes Mr. Cope makes. The public has all the details it needs.

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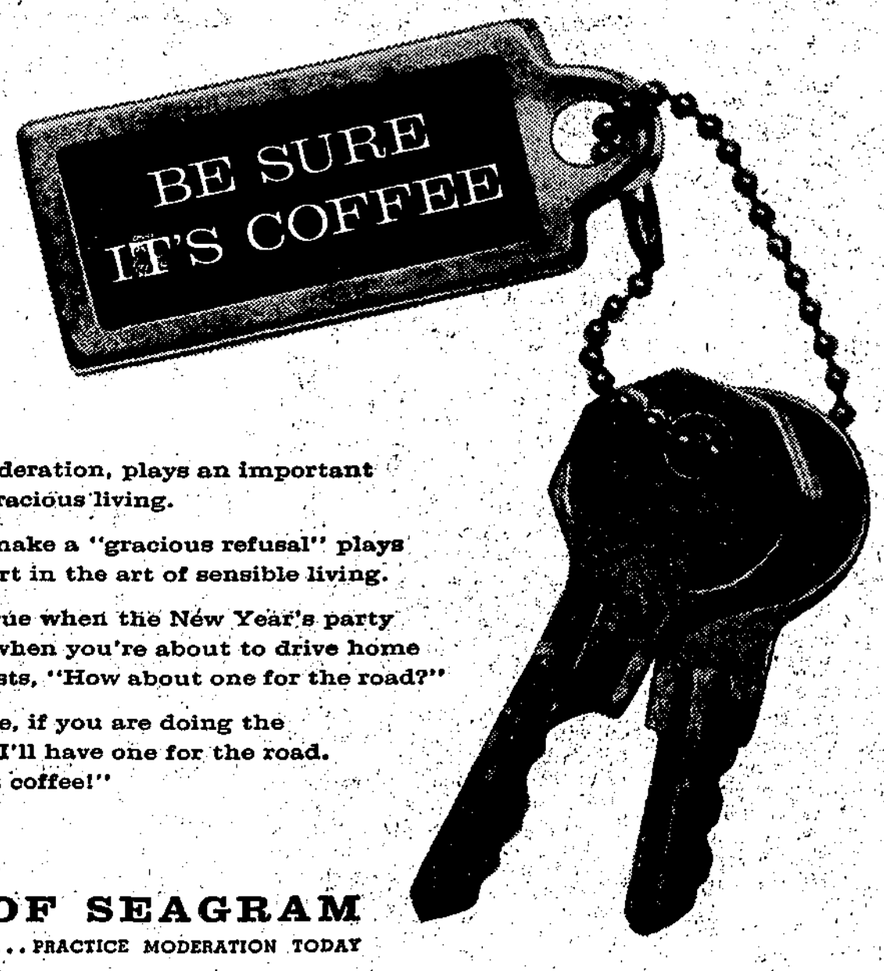

Fine whisky, in moderation, plays an important part in the art of gracious living.

Knowing when to make a "gracious refusal" plays an equally great part in the art of sensible living.

This is especially true when the New Year's party is breaking up . . . when you're about to drive home and someone suggests, "How about one for the road?"

This New Year's Eve, if you are doing the driving, say: "Yes, I'll have one for the road. But, please make it coffee!"

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Isabel Dawson

Christmas Greetings

Management and Staff

Peninsula Hotel

Turkey --- the day after and the next

Let's say Christmas is just over—and many sad looking reminders face the homemaker. The refrigerator has a myriad of small dishes—with a piece of this and a few spoonfuls of that, two sad-looking onions that nobody found room for, and Mr. Turkey is just a shadow of his former self.

It's surprising to everyone that appetites the day after Christmas seem to remain unaffected by the quantities of food so recently consumed.

A new dish can be one which helps to dispose of the turkey problem and will create an unusual and delightful mixture of flavor. It is a casserole recipe which can be prepared early in the day to give the homemaker time for visiting with friends before popping it in the oven for dinner. Here it is:

CREAMY TURKEY NOODLE CASSEROLE

1 8-ounce package medium noodles
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
½ cup chopped celery (some tender leaves)
1 4-ounce can sliced mushrooms
1 package of onion soup
1 pint commercial sour cream
½ cup milk
½ cup light cream
2 cups turkey meat, cut into inch cubes
2 tablespoons grated cheese

Cook noodles according to the package directions; drain. In small frying pan melt butter or margarine. Saute celery and mushrooms five minutes, or until celery is tender. Stir package of onion soup into the sour cream.

Combine cooked noodles, celery, mushrooms and turkey. Stir in onion soup-sour cream sauce and turn into a two quart casserole. Sprinkle with cheese. Cover and bake in a moderate oven (350 deg. F.) for 30 minutes. Remove cover and brown under broiler. Garnish with parsley. This will make a large casserole to serve 8-10 people.

PARTY DIP

1 can (1⅝ ounces) Onion Dry Soup Mix
2 cups sour cream
3 tablespoons blue cheese, crumbled

Combine all ingredients; blend well. Chill. Makes about 2 cups. Serve with crackers, chips, etc.

SHRIMP DUNK

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
¼ cup milk
1 can (1⅝ ounces) Onion Dry Soup Mix
½ cup finely chopped cooked shrimp
5 drops Tabasco

Blend cream cheese and milk until smooth. Stir in remaining ingredients. Chill. Thin to desired consistency.

RUM HARD SAUCE

In bowl, soften ½ cup butter. Add 1 cup confectioners' sugar (icing sugar), a little at a time; beat until creamy and smooth. Stir in 1 tablespoon rum. Chill until hard. Makes ¾ cups sauce.

To all my friends in Sechelt and vicinity a Very Merry Christmas and the best of Health during the New Year.

A. A. CAWLEY

WE WISH to take this opportunity of thanking Dr. Alan Swan and all of the men who were so helpful in getting me to Vancouver in what I am sure was record time. This was directly responsible for my complete recovery.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the friends and well-wishers for the kind enquiries on my behalf.

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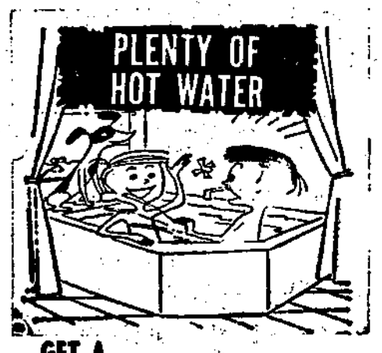

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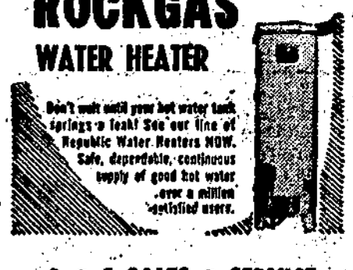

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Cast of 120 at Roberts Creek

A cast of 120 well-trained performers were responsible for one of the most riotous and amusing Christmas concerts to be held at the Roberts Creek Hall. On Friday night the pupils of Roberts Creek School played to a completely filled house.

The tiny division fours, whose teacher is Mrs. Peterson, started proceedings with a choral reading and all looked demure and earnest in their best bib and tucker.

This was followed by some very large robins of pre-school age, or to use their own vernacular, wobin wed bweasts. Mrs. Birkin was their director.

Mr. Fleming's flutophone band then took over and presented a selection of well-known tunes in masterly style.

The curtain then went up on a colorful Indian scene which included a teepee set in a forest which was peopled by about 30 Indian braves and maids, including a mighty chief in full regalia and a pretty grandmother, to say nothing of a tiny papoose strapped safely to a board on Mama's back. This tribe lived a merry, musical life, and, quite unaware of an audience, ate at their gaily painted five-foot eating boat and played drums on the floor with their wooden spoons. These were Mrs. Galliford's grades two and three pupils.

Next came the Princess and the Swineherd, grade four, in a variety of colorful characters including a Princess, Prince, Messenger, Emperor, Ladies in Waiting and Pages. Then grades four and five in Double Dutch and Songs of the Sea, all suitably attired in Dutch or naval dress, and a gay dancing and singing group they were. These were pupils of Mrs. Warn.

The Indian grandmother then appeared as Debbie Baba to delight all with a solo dance, The Ball and the Jack.

This brought on a fashion show to end all fashion shows. The models were the boys in Mr. Fleming's room and they displayed everything from bathing suits to night attire to evening gowns; from the flapper era to the day after tomorrow. Their critical audience were the girls in their room. The commentator was a gorgeous blonde with a fine knowledge of women's styles.

The Littlest Angel story was to have been read by Mrs. D. Thomas, but a short in the public address system prevented this from taking place.

Santa Claus unexpectedly dropped in at the close of the program with presents for every child from infancy to grade seven. Each was given an orange and a candy cane to round out an exciting evening. Refreshments were supplied by the Parents' Auxiliary who worked with the teachers in costuming the children and helping where needed.

The auxiliary thanks all who attended work parties and in other ways contributed to the success of the concert. Special thanks go to Albert Danroth, Ron McSavaney and Ernie Fossett of the Recreation Committee for all their aid and to Mr. E. Prittie, the able M.C.

Young people show interest

The monthly meeting of Roberts Creek Community Association on Dec. 11 was well attended in spite of the cold, and it was good to see younger people taking interest in community affairs.

The committee working on the roads petition reported considerable progress and it was decided that the petitions should be given to our representative, Tony Gargrave, MLA, early in the new year. A letter from Mr. Gargrave was read at the meeting, assuring his full support.

Under new business the Roberts Creek Hall was again rented to the Mt. Elphinstone Recreations committee for another year, as this arrangement had been found beneficial to all concerned. Next meeting Jan. 8.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY, Johnny Wayne and Frank Shuster will be helping to bring a Merry Christmas to Canadian troops serving overseas. They have taped a special CBC radio show which is being distributed to points in Europe, the Middle East, the Congo and Indo-China, as well at 13 RCAF bases in the north of Canada. Home listeners can hear the program on Christmas Day by tuning to stations on the CBC radio network.

OES party pipes haggis

Let it ever be said that the OES is a dignified and serious order. On the occasion of their Christmas party on Dec. 19 the men in the chapter, who had undertaken the catering for the supper, solemnly piped in the haggis as the ladies sat at the long tables.

Except that the pipes were an accordion and the piper's kilts didn't fit, and the haggis looked more like a small portion of doughnut holes which were hardly noticed as all eyes were on the gorgeous creature who carried it, and the others in the procession had that different look, the traditional march was such as to make any good Scot's kilt curl.

Supper was followed by a shadow play enacted by Mesdames E. Wakefield, P. Osborne, B. Rankin, E. Hayes, D. Aitchison to the mood music played by Mrs. C. Cameron. Mrs. D. Robilliard was the narrator. The play certainly proved something, probably that it is wise to keep off operating tables, or at least, to have a doctor who knows what he is operating for.

A Santa Claus appeared from somewhere and distributed presents to one and all.

Present pin

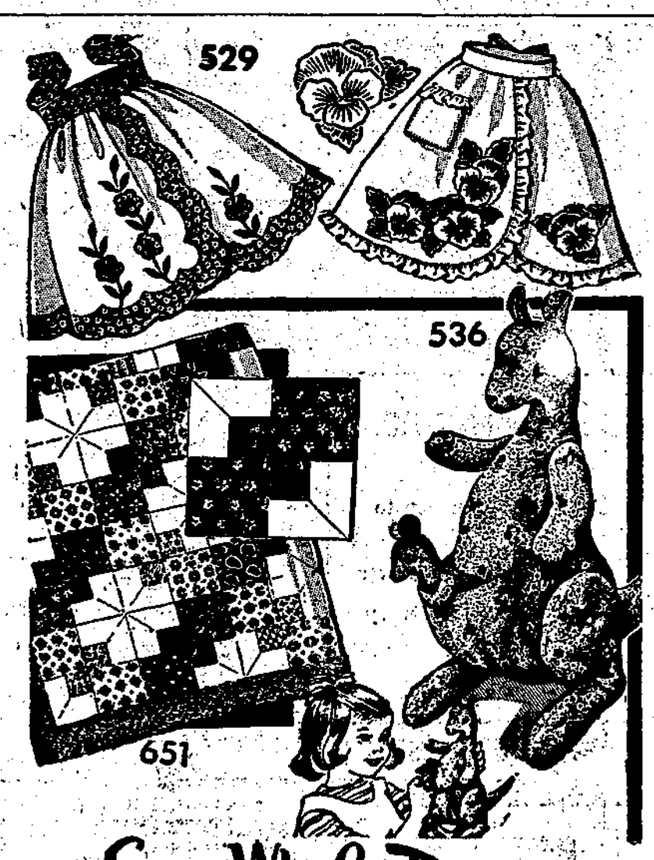
The Girl Guide Association of Elphinstone District honored Fred Cruice, editor of the Coast News, and Mrs. Cruice for the help and co-operation given to the Girl Guides and Brownies in this area.

A thank you pin, given to the friends of Guiding as a token of appreciation of work done for the Guide movement, was presented by District Commissioner, Mrs. J. Thomas. In her remarks, Mrs. Thomas expressed appreciation for the support which the Coast News has given to the youth of the community and the space given over to Guides and Brownies news. In recognition of her help, Mrs. Cruice was given a box of chocolates.

Also attending as representatives of this organization were Mrs. W. Price, Mrs. M. McIntosh and Mrs. L. Labonte.

SELF-EXPRESSION

Sales of musical instruments and sheet music all indicate the amateur music-making is enjoying a boom! The reasons? Experts say that playing a musical instrument is an ideal means of self-expression, an outlet for creativity, and an effective way to release the tensions of modern living.



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Usher honored by Odd Fellows

At the annual Christmas party of the Black Diamond Lodge No. 5 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows who were hosts to their sisters of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 3 at the Diners Rendezvous at Nanaimo, it was hands across Canada in Odd Fellowship when Noble Grand Alex Anderson called on Brother H. R. Perkins, past grand master, formerly of Gibsons, to present to Brother J. M. Usher, past district deputy grand master, on behalf of his home lodge of Sudbury, No. 282, Ontario, a life membership and his 50 year jewel of the order.

Brother Perkins then escorted Brother and Mrs. Usher to the Acme 18 Lodge of the Patriarchs Militant, Christmas party at Qualicum where Brother H. B. Ingram of Cloverdale received his 35 year jewel from Brother Perkins.

Wayne Burnes, the Alberni delegate to the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth presented his address of his trip and showed the slides of the trip across Canada and back through the United States.

Accompanying the Ushers were Mr. T. I. B. Smith, recording secretary of Sunshine Coast Lodge No. 76 and Mrs. Smith, noble grand of Sunshine Rebekah Lodge No. 82 of Sechelt.

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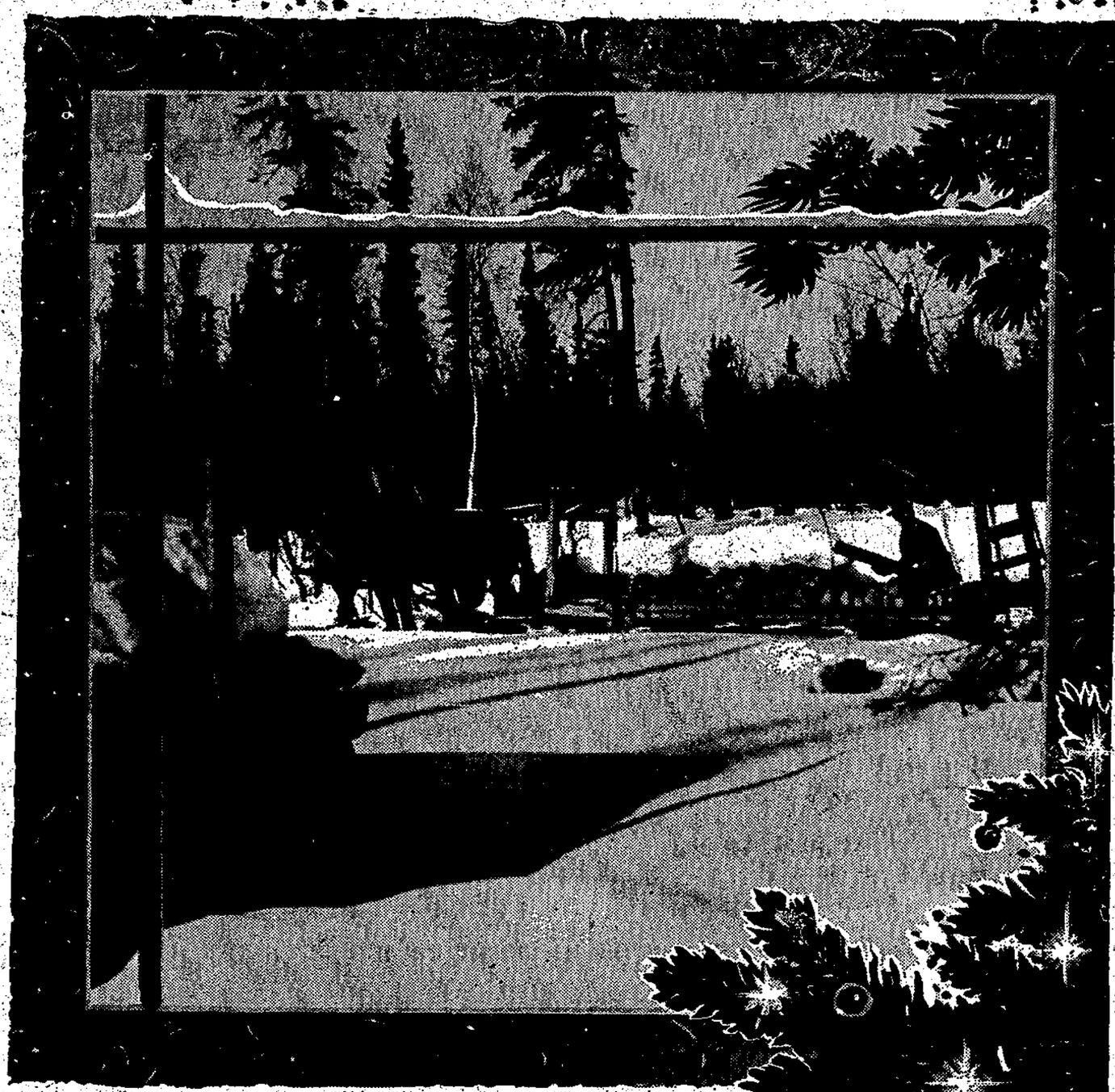

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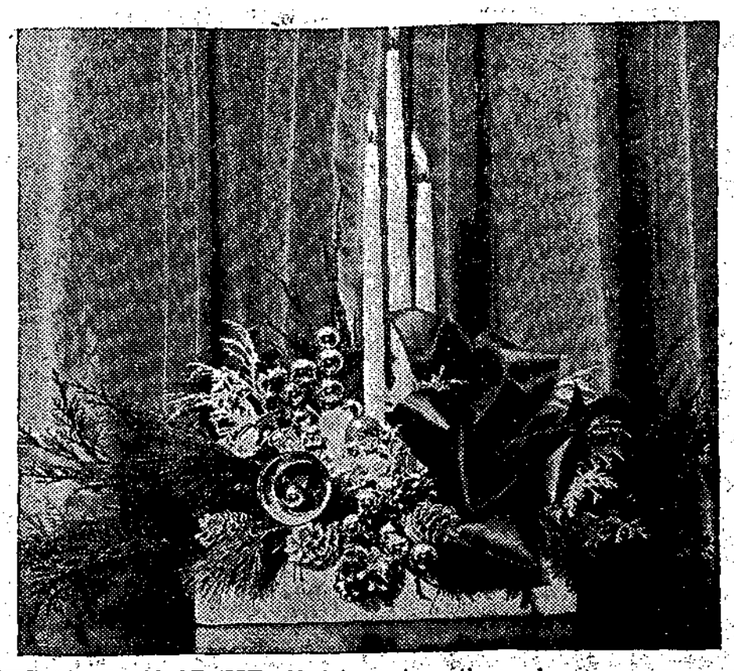
Roasting apples flavor wassail

In Saxon times, the Wassail Bowl at feast days was an important ceremony. Prepared in a large wooden bowl, the base of the drink was cider. Other ingredients were added, the whole set in front of a log fire, and apples tied above it. As the apples roasted, the juice dripped into the bowl.

A jug of Somerset cider with a lighted candle stuck in it was "flapdragon." Cock ale was a concoction made from ale, raisins, cloves and the liquor from the braising of an ancient cockerel. Spiced ale and roast apples was known also as "lamb's wool."

In the English west country at one time, a faggot of green timber was bound about with strips of ash and flung onto the blazing Yulelog. The loud snapping of each band was accompanied by the consuming of a quart of cider by the assembled company.

Another Somerset custom was the badger feast. At the Cow Inn, the badger was roasted over an open fire in the bar parlor, and then the company gathered around the landlord's table to partake of a tasty slice of the meat.



EVERYONE AN ARTIST. Christmas is a time when everyone can let their artistic talents run rampant, using their imaginations in decorating their homes or even in ingenious present wrappings. Others like to make their own Christmas centre pieces — and all it takes is a piece of birch, and a few bells, bows and bubbles to create a stunning table decoration such as shown in picture.

Which toy for whom?

By NANCY CLEAVER

With Christmas not very far away, countless parents, relatives and friends of children are wondering which toy to select as a gift for a particular boy or girl. The array of playthings in the stores is packed with a wide variety of play material. The aisles are crowded with customers.

It is important to make a tentative selection of the kind of toy you want to buy and decide on the approximate price you can pay before you set out on a shopping expedition.

A toy should be suitable for the age of the child, simple enough for him to enjoy, without being bored, and difficult enough to challenge his interest. Puzzles are the favorites and they are cut in varying number of pieces of different sizes to appeal to different ages. An electric train which would thrill a boy of eight or nine is too complex for a preschooler to manipulate safely and satisfactorily.

A child becomes very fond of a certain toy and it is most frustrating if it falls apart. A toy should be sturdily built so that it will stand up to constant use.

Intricate mechanical toys often fall apart or are damaged so that they will not work. They are a poor choice because once they are wound up there is nothing left for the child to do except watch the toy.

A child wants to be active and blocks are a particularly good toy because a child can build so many things with them. The more complex building sets such as Meccano and Erector provide many happy hours for children. Girls as well as boys enjoy them and a child can build by himself or with a chum.

Small boys, as well as their sisters, often like a doll and have fun with housekeeping equipment. Dolls will always be near the top of the list as a girl's plaything, and doll clothes, doll houses, furniture, a doll carriage are gradually added to the little girl's possessions. A little child copies an adult's action, and thus a toy telephone, a doll washtub and basin, a small broom and mop are all good play material.

Active outdoor exercise is necessary for the growth of strong bodies and although they may seem expensive, a wagon, a tricycle and for an older child a bicycle are good investments. Skates, and skis, a toy snow shovel, a child's gardening equipment or fishing set are also good choices.

A child must learn to amuse himself and blunt scissors, a scrapbook, paste, crayons, paints plasticene or modeling clay are all creative play material. Even a young child can learn to take care of records and use a record machine and there is a wide selection of records for children, songs, music of different types, such as band music.

Some mothers insist on a drum being beaten outdoors, and in choosing playthings musical instruments should not be forgotten. A xylophone on which a child can learn to play simple tunes, a recorder, a mouth organ, an accordion all have a great attraction for certain school age children.

Imaginative play contributes much to a child's growth. "Playing school" requires a blackboard and chalk, and various uniforms such as a nurse, a Mountie, a cowboy make pretend games much more real.

The cost of a plaything should be divided by the number of months it is used. A suitable, well made toy contributes greatly to a child's development. When you go shopping for a toy be sure you select one which will appeal to the age, the skill and the interest of the child who will receive it.

A MODEST OFFER

Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, 1779-1863, an aloof professor of Greek and Oriental literature at the Episcopal Seminary in New York, would not acknowledge he had written The Night Before Christmas for nearly 20 years. He wrote the poem on Christmas Eve, 1822, and read it to his seven children, not planning on it going farther afield.

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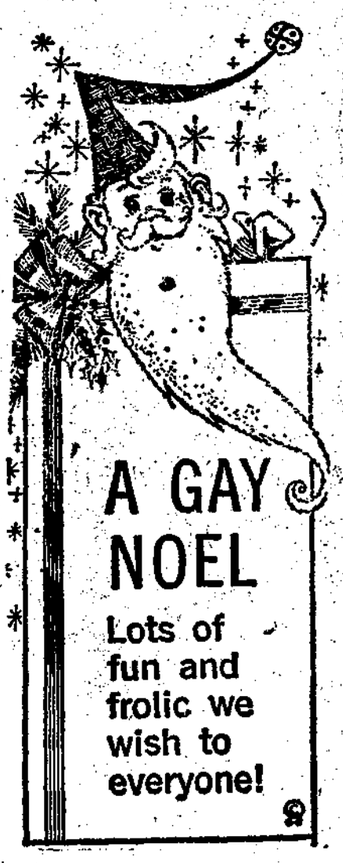

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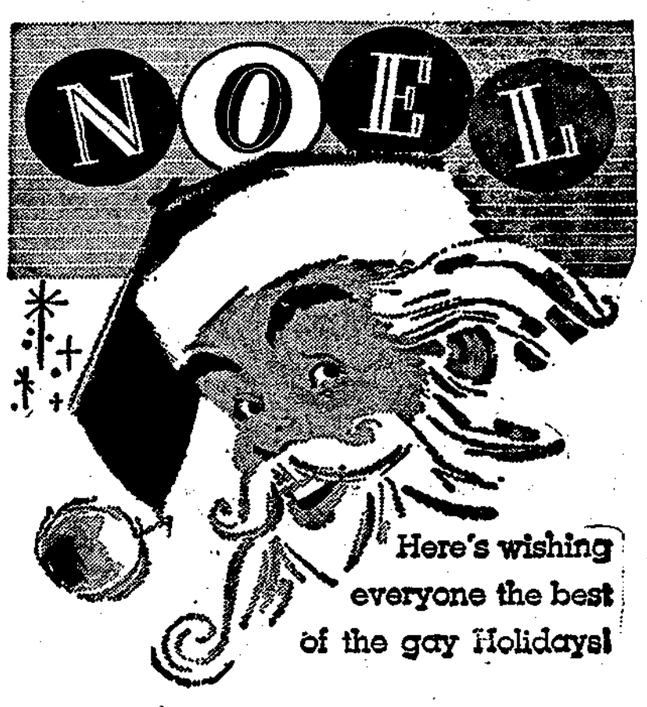

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Plum porridge came first

Christmas pudding appeared first in 1670 as a stiffened form of an earlier plum porridge, a concoction of meat broth, raisins, wine, fruit juice and spices, the whole thickened with brown bread, and served in a semi-liquid state at the beginning of the meal. In Scandinavia, an almond is hidden in it. Mince pies were well-known by the end of the 16th century.

Turkey appeared about 1542, superseding the more magnificent swans, bustards and peacocks dressed in their feathers and with gilded beaks. Of the customs that grew up around the Christmas festival, in Merrie England, the serving of the boar's head was the most stirring.

It endures to this day at Queen's College, Oxford, where the 50-lb. tusked head, a lemon in its grinning jaws, is borne in on a great silver salver, escorted by trumpeters and candle bearers. Those present bellow an appropriate chant, half carol, half ritual, "Then set down the swineyard. The foe to the vineyard, Let Bacchus crown his fall. Let this boar's head and mustard, Stand for pig, goose and custard, And so ye are welcome all."

An idea for a colorful Christmas

It's not too early to pass along this information on chemical treatment of firewood to produce a colorful display in your Christmas fireplace. Almost any burnable material may be treated. Evergreen cones, small blocks of wood, kindling, wood chips and sawdust, or even one-inch diameter rolls of tightly wrapped newspapers or magazines, tied at both ends and soaked in chemical solutions will give off flames of many colors to add to Christmas cheer.

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Chemicals should be dissolved in a wooden pail or earthen crock A discarded five gallon paint bucket serves admirably as a treating vat, mixing in it no more than a couple of gallons of solution at a time. There is no need to cleanse it thoroughly for a change of chemicals. Ratio is one pound of chemicals to one gallon of water, using one chemical per batch. Materials to be treated may be placed in a mesh or porous bag and submerged in the solution. A stone is handy to weight the material down. A day or so of soaking should be adequate.

Lift out and drain over the container then spread out to dry. If the materials are dried on a newspaper, the paper itself may be rolled and wrapped tightly and burnt, too.

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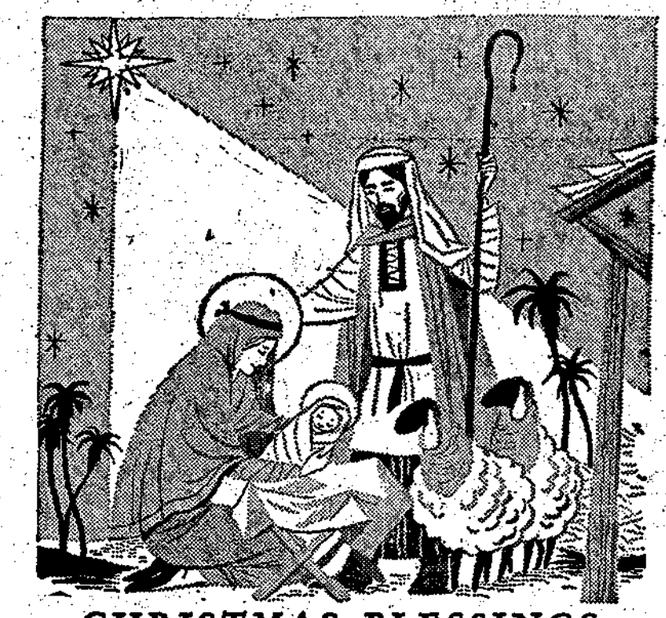

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Benner Bros.
Furniture & Paint Store

Sechelt

Good Cheer To
All Our Friends

We sincerely hope that your holiday season is filled with warmth and cheer throughout.

Chris, Andy and Staff
Violet, Gladys and Dianne

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Joan Hansen

The Toggery

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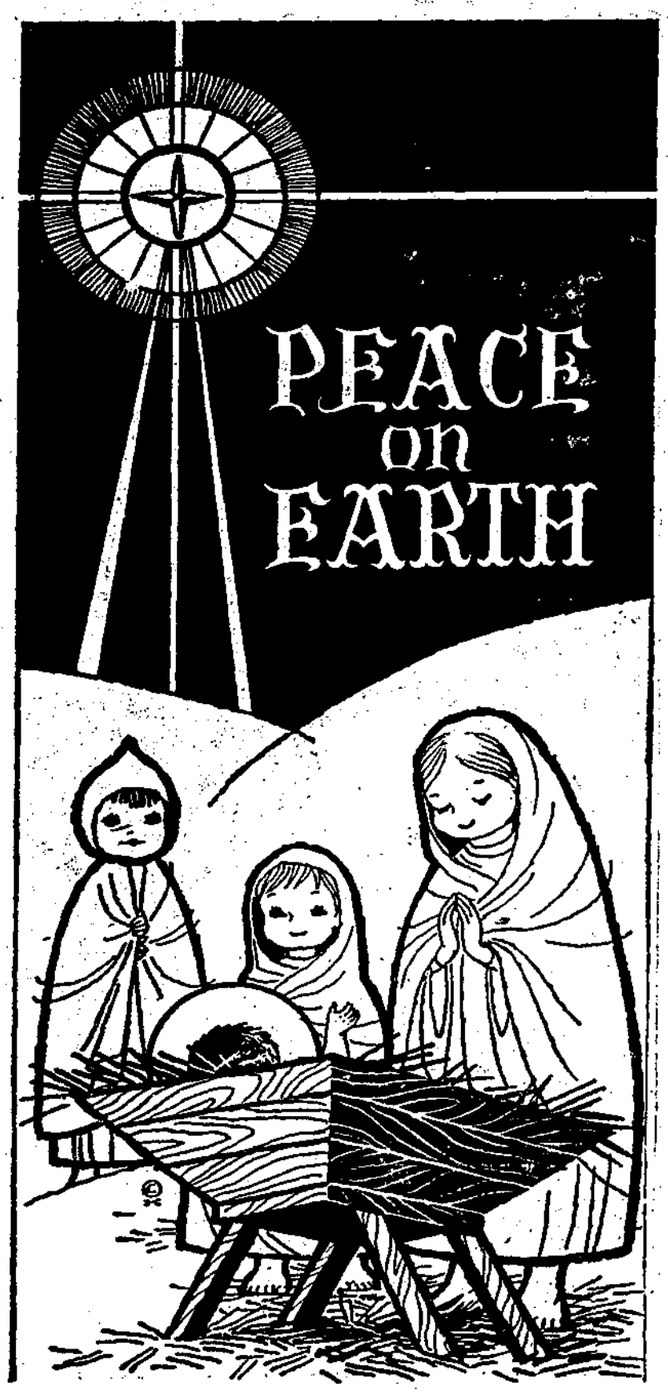

Rickard Crawford & Co.

Sechelt

Requiem for a rowboat *By Eric Thomson*

The rainy Saturday before Thanksgiving was notice that rowboat travel between Hopkins Landing and Gibsons was finished for the winter, so I put my red boat into its shed, realizing that it would not be in use again, as next year I should have its new duplicate.

About 24 years ago, the boys of Gibsons Landing built themselves boats in the old glue factory, and Roy Malyea, one of them built this one. It is a double-ended 14-foot, one-man fishing boat, carvel built of 1-inch cedar strips, with the lines of a salmon's body, and a beauty.

A year or so after he built it, he and my son Willie were working in Osborne's logging camp at Halfmoon Bay, and Willie bought the boat from Roy with the first money he ever earned. Roy had turned down chances to sell it for use as a family boat, because it was a fisherman's boat and he wanted to sell it to a fisherman. He did, for if there are any fish around, Willie can catch them.

During his teenage years at Hopkins he used to take orders for fish, and then go out to Salmon Rock and fill them. He had a familiar, a seagull named Deacon, who spotted the red boat at a distance and perched on Willie's head while the fish were cleaned and cut up, and during this partnership there never was an accident.

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Years have passed and Willie has built his own dreamerie on Savary Island and has boats with outboards, on which my small grandsons nonchalantly flick a switch and zoom away, but there is nothing there in the class of the red rowboat, which I inherited.

About a year ago Roy came to our place and surprised my wife by wanting to buy back that boat for the original price, after all these years, explaining that he wanted it for a model for a new one. It seems that Willie has the same idea, for he spent that rainy Saturday taking measurements. His industrial arts class has to build a boat after New Year and just what better could they re-create than this one, so Willie plans to lead the way and show them how, and make a new boat for himself and one for me. Roy now gets the original back as a Christmas present, delivery later.

One of my best remembered trips in that boat was my first one to Gibsons, three days after we came here to stay. For 30 years I had gone to my office in Vancouver by ferry from North Vancouver, and that was now a thing of the past. It occurred to me that there was nothing to stop me from going to Gibsons Landing, as it was then, most pleasantly by water. It was a perfect autumn day, and on passing Soames Point, I saw the late Professor Henderson mowing his lawn.

I came ashore, and when he expressed surprise at seeing me there in the middle of the morning and in the middle of the week I told him that I, too was now retired. When I left him, we wished a wish that we could do this again in ten years' time. The time passed, and on the same day and on the same kind of a day, I had the pleasure of repeating the call, and found the Professor still mowing his lawn, but he had gone modern, and was chasing a power-mower.

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He recalled the wish, and his eyes twinkled, and he expressed the opinion that this was an emergency, and that his wife had something for an emergency. We went to the house, and explained matters to Mrs. Henderson, using the Scots' inflection on the word "emergency" and that drew the cork out of the bottle. We spent the rest of the morning under the professor's vine and fig-tree, both laden, and talked of Homer and his wine-dark deep. I can look back with pleasure on lots of similar more or less business visits on West Howe Sound, and am glad to think that while the days of the horse and buggy doctor are over, this rowboat lawyer can still navigate.

One realizes that the human shore-dwellers notice the red boat coming and going, but it comes as a pleasant surprise to find how one is accepted by the diminishing furred and feathered community along the shore. These friends have each their territory staked out, for example there is the pair of seagulls that have for years owned the extremity of Soames Point where Florence Lindsay, now of Quesnel, used to live, and who were nam-

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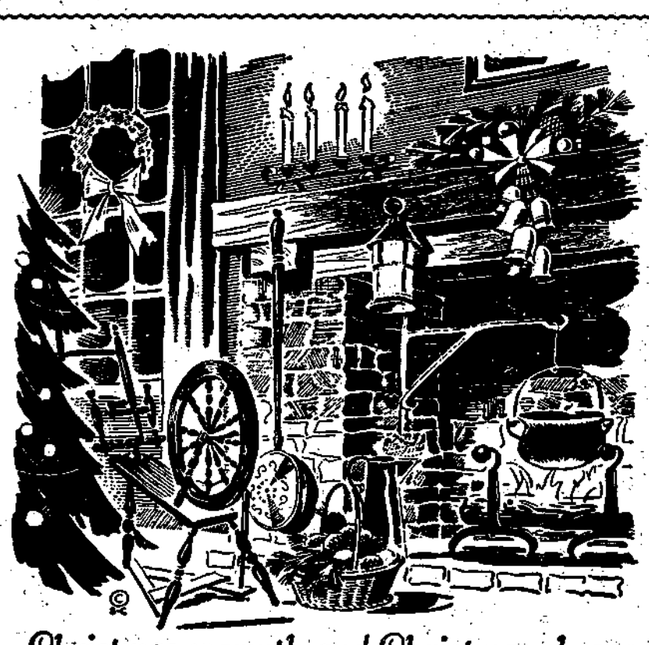

Christmas warmth and Christmas cheer,
We extend to you this time of year.
Dan and Bill
C & S Sales & Service
Sechelt

A HEARTY THANKS FOR YOUR WARM PATRONAGE
Management and Staff
Sechelt Motor Transport

SWINGING IN WITH
GREETINGS

ELDRED'S FLOWER SHOP
Sechelt

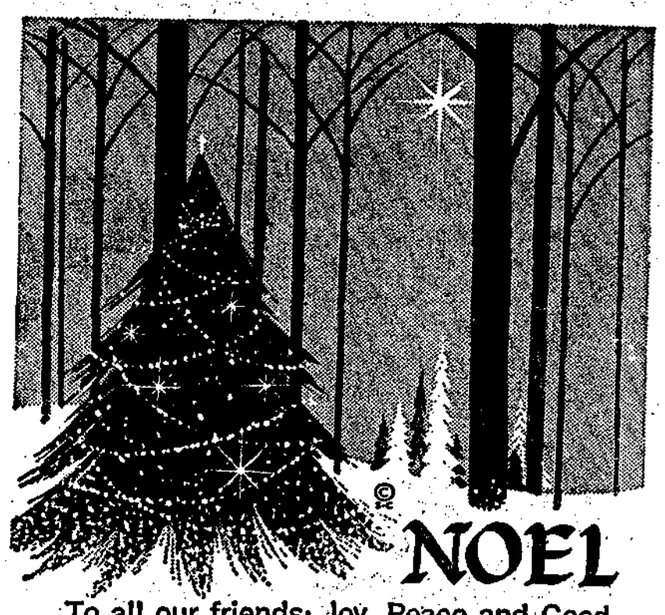
TO EVERYONE
from . . . .
KELLY'S GARBAGE COLLECTION
Gibsons

GLAD TIDINGS OF JOY AT CHRISTMAS
As we join in giving God our thanks for His blessings, we also pause to say "Thanks" to you, too, our friends!
Con and Eleanor
Granthams Landing Store

Tingley's Hi-Heat
Sechelt

Management and Staff
Peninsula Logging Supplies Ltd.
Sechelt

Budd Kiewitz
Shell Oil Distributor
Gibsons



To all our friends: Joy, Peace and Good Will — that is our wish to you this wondrous Christmas season!
Management and Staff
Thriftee Stores
Gibsons

Reqiem for a rowboat

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Quacken. They just click their bills at me as I pass and don't bother to stretch out their necks. Or, the two or three little harleguin drakes, in front of John Carson's place, who bow politely to me but don't get up from their breakfast in the ebb. Or the pair of otters who make their summer home, with their young, under the community float at Gibsons, where I tie up, who just give me a friendly Japanese hiss when I arrive.

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There used to be lots of salman, and seals, but I haven't seen a salmon jump for years, and the only seal that I have seen for a long time was early this fall. I saw him watching me, so I stopped rowing and whistled bagpipe tunes to him and he came within 20 feet of me, and was obviously taking it all in. I had that morning tailored the tune "The Song of the Clyde" to fit the bagpipes, and I tried it on him. The effect was startling. Instead of submerging quietly, stern first, he jumped out of the water, making a nose-dive, and as he went under, slapped the water a mighty smack as if to say "That tore it."

Then there was that sea-lion. Last year, this fellow, the size of a cow, tried out for size all the boat floats from Mr. Dixon's, below his barber shop in Gibsons, to Hopkins, and finalliy selected the new and expensive styrofoam float in front of the new Brodie mansion at Hopkins, and lay there in obvious content, as well he might.

About the first morning he was in residence, I was passing, and two Hopkins ladies on the shore motioned me to look at him, so I let my boat drift to within six feet of him, and I whistled to him. He made no effort to leave, but just made himself more comfortable and wiggled his flippers at me.

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I then noticed a third Hopkins lady taking movies of all this from the verandah of her home, so I came to the shore, and from the boat asked her if she'd like to come out in my boat and take her movies at close range. She said ,'I'm scared." I didn't have my glasses on but I didn't need them to observe that, while clad, she wasn't what one would call dressed for a social call, even on a sea-lion. So, I said "If you are scared of the seal, remember that you have your lawyer with you, and if you are scared of me, go and put some clothes on." She replied "Wait a minute, until I get dressed." It seemed to me that within that time she reappeared in a stunning two-piece bathing suit, and got into the bow of my boat, and in a minute or two we approached the sea-lion.

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That highly intelligent and observant beast raised himself on his fore-flippers, took a good look at my passenger, then scratched the back of his neck with his right front flipper. When I mentioned this, I was told I was drawing the long-bow, but months later, Albert Crowhurst, at Gibsons told me that he had been stringing together some local movie film and there was one of the sea-lion, who scratched his neck as the camera shakily approached him, and I found that it was our friend.

When Roy made the boat, and Willie made the noiseless oars for it, they combined by chance to give it exactly the rowing rhythm of marching men, and I found that I could whistle my way to Gibsons on bagpipe tunes.

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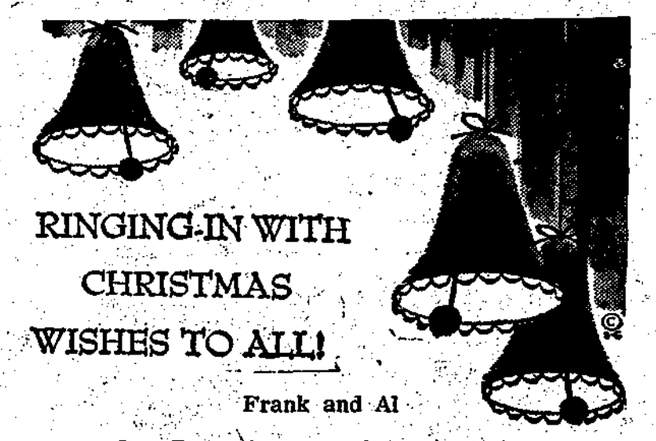
TO ALL
A MERRY
CHRISTMAS!
HASSANS
Madeira Park

Walt Nygren Sales Ltd.
Gibsons

TO ONE AND ALL
EARL'S AGENCIES
Gibsons

We sincerely hope that you and your family have a grand, carefree Christmas holiday.
B and J STORE
Halfmoon Bay


RINGING-IN WITH
CHRISTMAS
WISHES TO ALL!
Frank and Al
Solnik's Service

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
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Gibsons

Chris, Madge, Billie
Tasella Shoppe
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Jo and Harry
Peninsula Cleaners
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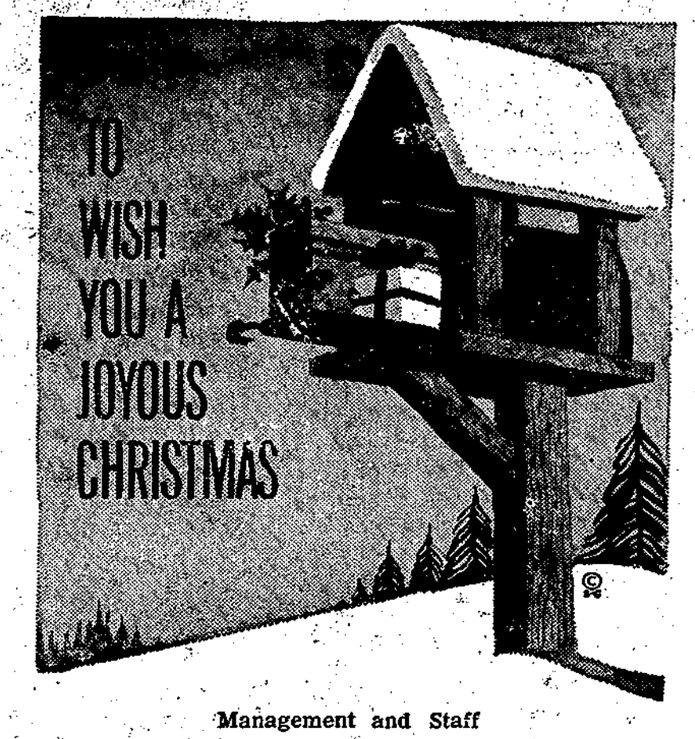

Management and Staff
Chain Saw Centre
Wilson Creek

OUR VERY
WARMEST
WISHES!
The Staff
Sechelt Bowling Alleys

This sincere
wish we heartily
extend to you, our
many loyal friends
and customers.
The Claytons and Staff
Shop Easy Store No. 5
Sechelt

Christmas Greetings
Let us pray together upon this great day that the Joy and Peace which was given to the world at His birth will forever abide in each of our hearts.
Finlay Realty Ltd.
Gibsons

Ever try reading aloud at Christmas?

(By NANCY CLEAVER)

Reading aloud at Christmas time is very satisfying! If you try it out, quite possibly you will decide to make it a regular practice in other months too. Why not give the reading-aloud habit a chance to work its magic in your family circle?

For Christmas Eve or Christmas Day the beauty and drama of the stories of the shepherds and the Wise Men read aloud from the Bible cannot be surpassed. But much earlier in December do experiment with reading aloud in your family circle.

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If there are several children in the home, let the school age youngsters take turns in reading short pieces to the little ones. We once heard John Masefield say in a public lecture, Poetry was written to be read aloud — and there are delightful poems for this time of year.

There are many lovely stories of the shepherds. One of the most appealing is The Little Shepherd Who Did Not Go. This story has special charm for children, because the main character is a boy, David, who kept his word, who was courageous and gentle. Best of all, it was he who held the Christ Child in his arms on that first Christmas Day.

Dickens' Christmas Carol, although written over a century ago, continues to hold a foremost place in the affections of people all over the world. It has few equals as story to read aloud in the family circle, because it holds the interest of the youngest and the oldest from start to finish. It really is a carol even if it is not sung in the sense of being short and direct and having the same charm throughout. In our family we have found it fun for each of us to read one paragraph and then pass the book on to the next person.

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Why not visit your public library and see if your librarian can help you? The little Mexican boy and his donkey in The Small one, was one delightful library discovery which we made one December. Radio and movie versions of The Littlest Angel have made this a much loved story, especially for small boys! It, too, is a fine choice for the home bookshelf.

The Other Wise Man by Henry van Dyke is a more leisurely story in quite a different style It appeals to adolescents with all their hidden idealism. This is a thought-provoking story of sacrifice and service. Why not purchase a copy, give it to your teenager? Ask him to mark the paragraphs he thinks the whole family might appreciate.

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You might like to have a Christmas scrap-book for quotations, poems, and short Christmas stories. Choose a large one so that you can also keep the beautiful colored Christmas prints which appear in the magazines and weekly newspaper sections. Each Christmas some very readable stories and poems are printed. If you have a happy time reading a certain story or poem aloud this year, it is worth keeping for another season. Make your Christmas scrap book a family project. Let your child paste in some colored Christmas pictures, or better still, draw some of his own and color them.

It will add greatly to the family's interest in reading aloud this December if you enlist their help in choosing a new book to buy for this purpose. Invest in a Christmas anthology or even o single story for family reading. If you own your own Christmas books, then the members of the family can enjoy reading in a leisurly way. Individuals can choose something which attracts them to read aloud. In your family copy you can keep a record at the back of the book of the pages read on different occasions.

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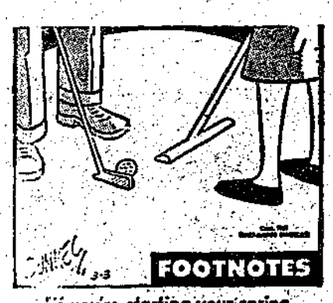
Reading aloud can become a source of enjoyment not only for children but for parents too. In the Pocket book A Parents Guide to Children's Reading, which we can heartily recommend, Nancy Larrick, the author, tells of a Reading Aloud Shelf set up in a factory, stocked mainly with picture books. The workers were invited to borrow books to read aloud to their children and in two days the shelf was bare. On the third day the books began to be returned.

"We do more reading now and I get as much kick out of it as the kids," one father said enthusiastically. Do try Reading-Aloud Magic in your home.

JAPS NEED CHIPS

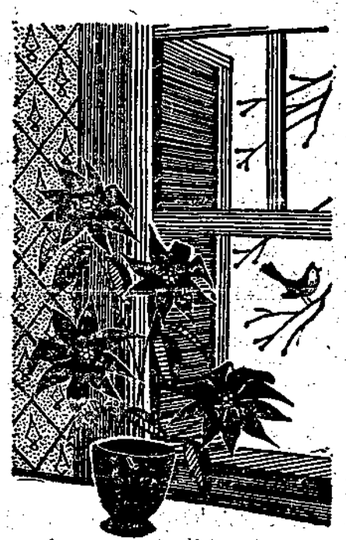
Japanese pulp and paper producers are considering the full scale import of wood chips, particularly from Canada, as means of helping to reduce the cost of producing paper. According to the Japan Paper & Pulp Association, use of wood chips has grown to the point where 41.8 percent of current total pulp imports is in the form of wood chips, rather than in finished pulp.



"If you're starting your spring p[illegible]e, I guess I can start my spring cleaning."

Loads of Good Wishes
To Our Many Friends At
CHRISTMAS

Mary and Wes
Sechelt Shoe Renew

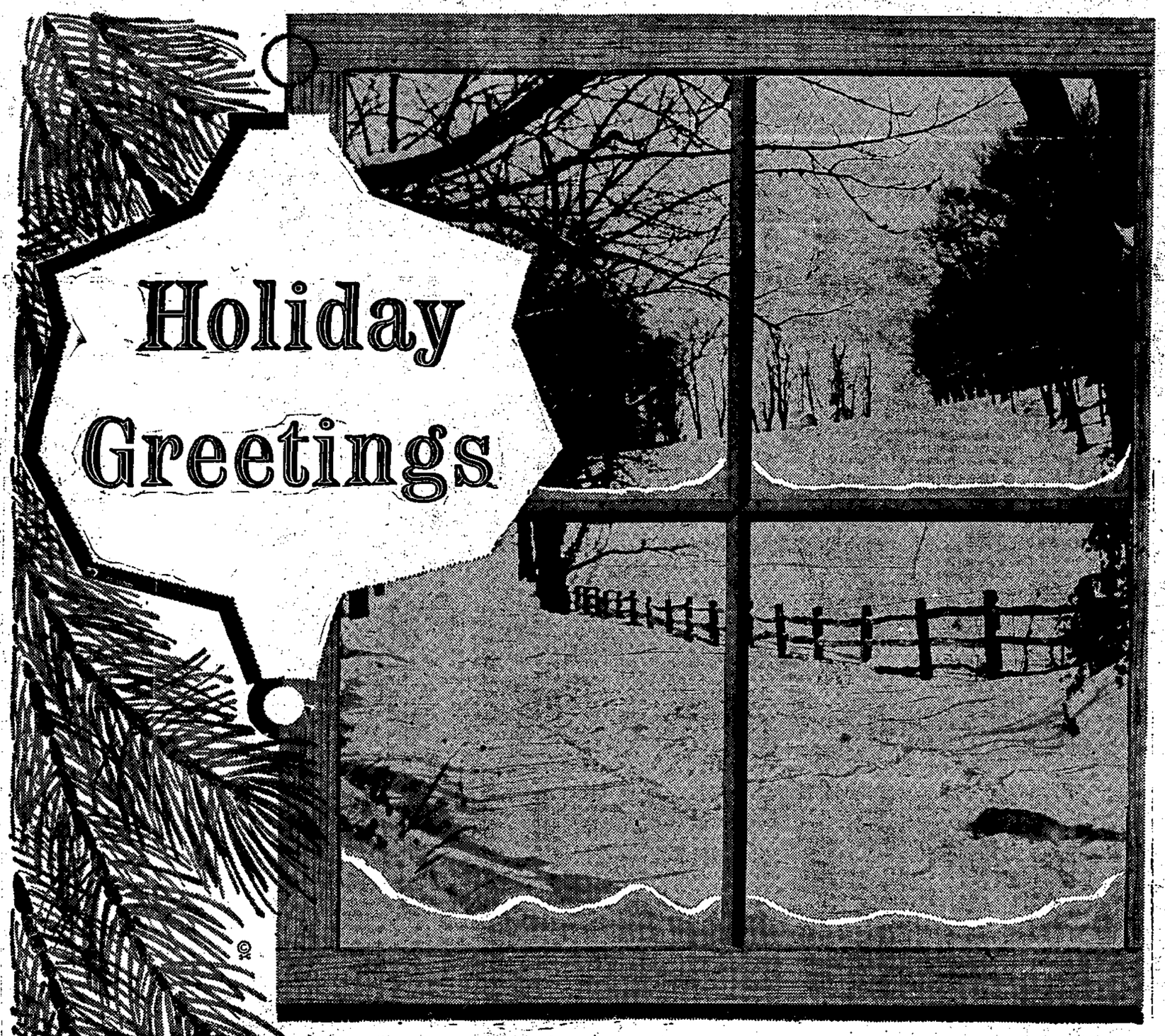


BEST WISHES!
Here's a cheery greeting to our many good friends and customers at this Yuletide season.
Bill and Jean Lissiman
LISSI LAND FLORISTS
Hopkins Landing

A Merry Christmas to Everyone
Here's hoping that you and yours will know every happiness of this season.
Howard and Doris
Gibsons Varieties

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ANSWER YOUR CHRISTMAS SEAL LETTER
HELP FIGHT TB

GOOD WISHES TO ONE AND ALL
Thank you, our many friends and customers, for your loyalty during the past year.
Charlie and Dorothy
P. A. COFFEE BAR
Sechelt



These happy holidays come but once a year...and in the midst of all their flurry, scurry, fun and frolic, all of us here want to pause and wish each and every one of you a world of good cheer, along with our sincere hope that it will last throughout the coming year! A very Merry Christmas!

H. O. Duffy, J. R. Goodwin, J. W. Anderson
R. B. Kent, W. Coffey and H. Gregory

Sechelt Agencies Ltd.

Bilingual stamps

Hon. Azellus Denis, postmaster general, has issued the following statement to clear up a misunderstanding regarding the bilingual nature of postage stamps.

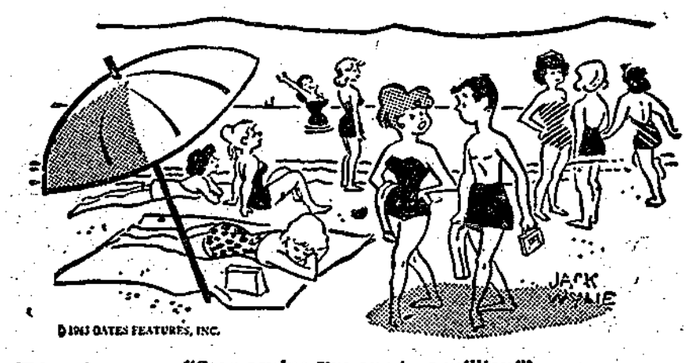
Mr. Denis stated in the house of commons on Nov. 19 that there would be one stamp issued in 1964 bearing only the bilingual word Canada. However, since that time, he has discussed the matter further with officials of his department and finding that it is possible to include the words postes-postage in the stamp without spoiling the design, has instructed that this be done.

Mr. Denis noted that his announcement of some days ago to the effect that the use of the words postes - postage was to be dropped from commemorative stamps, had brought several complaints and enquiries from both English and French Canadians who feared that Canadian stamps would lose their bilingual nature and would become merely neutral.

The Postmaster General pointed out that most special and commemorative stamps bear wording in both languages, indicating the purpose of the stamp. He noted as an example, a stamp planned for 1964 to commemorate the conference at Quebec which led to Confederation. This stamp, he pointed out, bears the words "Conference de Quebec Conference," and needs no further wordnig to indicate its bilingual nature.

In these commemorative stamps, space is at a premium and extra wording poses a difficult design problem. On the other hand, regular issue stamps normally bear only the word Canada and the denomination. On these stamps, the words postes - postage serve the purpose of indicating the bilingual nature of the stamp, and the words will be retained. This policy will ensure that all Canadian stamps bear wording in both languages to indicate the bilingual nature of the country.

Motor vehicles provided provincial governments with an estimated $655 million of revenue last year, more than one-fifth of the total net general revenue of the provinces.



"Stop saying I'm one in a million!"

SMALL TALK By Syms

"His only trouble is . . . he refuses to make friends." "That's why I like rabbits . . . they're very friendly." TNS

BRIGHT CHEER

We wish to each and every one of our many, many loyal patrons a very Merry Christmas.

E & M GROCERY AND CONFECTIONERY
Sechelt

USE CHRISTMAS SEALS

FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

Bill and Staff
Sunnycrest Motors
Gibsons

ALL THE JOYS OF THE SEASON

Bill & Dorothy
Village Bakery
Sechelt

SECHELT BEAUTY SALON
Sechelt

FRED JORGENSEN BARBER SHOP
Sechelt

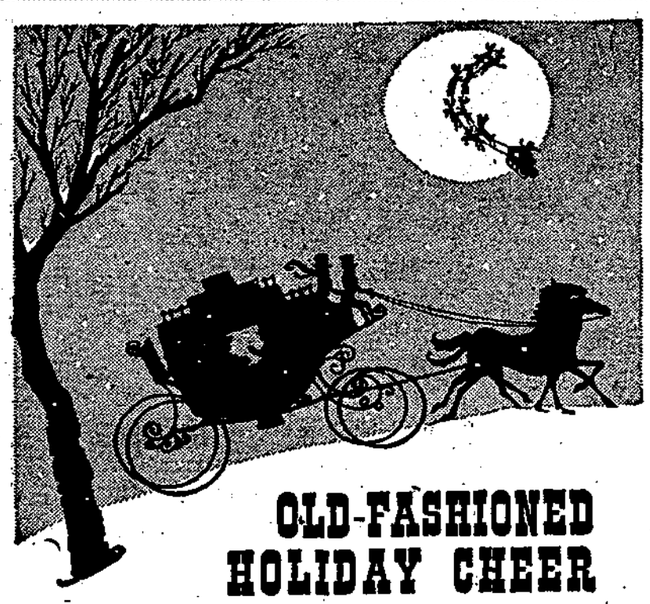
Wishing you all the happiness that can come with Christmas.

Kruse Drug Stores Ltd.
Gibsons and Sechelt

WARMEST WISHES

May this Christmas glow with joy for you.

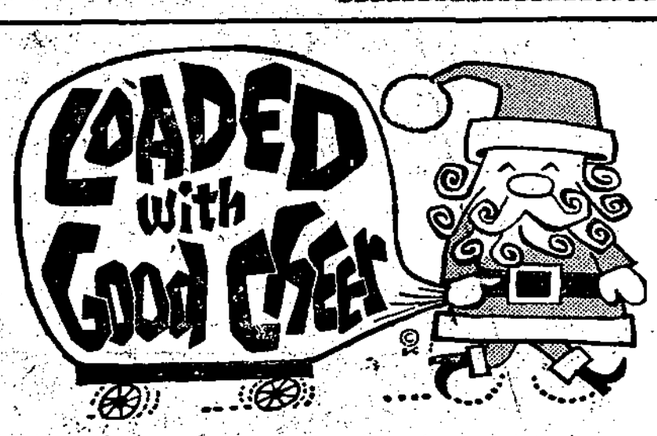
Peg and Dave Marshall
Seaview Market
Roberts Creek



OLD-FASHIONED HOLIDAY CHEER

As Christmastime draws nigh, we wish to all our many friends: the best of everything this holiday.

The Staff
Parker's Hardware Ltd.
Sechelt



Dieter's TV & Hi-Fi Service
Gibsons

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL
AND A GREAT BIG THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTINUED GOOD WILL

Standard Motors of Sechelt Ltd.

...and Best Wishes

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS

And along with our fondest wishes that every wish will come true for you, we also extend our sincere "thank you" for your loyalty during this year.

Penins ula Products (1957) Ltd.
Sechelt

Requiem for a rowboat

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During the 14 years that I have been doing this some of these tunes have had words set to them, and under new names have had quite a vogue.

One of these is a tune which was first heard in Sardinia by a Pipe-Major Ross, leading his men to the Crimean war. He made it into a stirring march for the pipes and named it "The Green Hills of Tyrol" and it became one of the accepted tunes played at Retreat by Scots regiments the world over.

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A few years ago Andy Stewart spent three inspired hours in a Scottish pub, using backs of envelopes and cigarette packages for his notes, and set the words of the "Scottish Soldier" to this tune, and then went on in to a B.B.C. performance to make it an instant hit. In the next two years he collected twenty thousand pounds from it for his royalties. I too have set words to two or three of these marches, and while it has been a fascinating exercise, that has been the only reward.

I have in mind a lilting tune to which I should like to set words descriptive of a rowboat ride to Gibsons on a morning in early summer, when the old fruit trees along the shore of the Chekwelp Indian Reserve are a cloud of bloom, and higher up the hillside the dogwoods shine white amid the varied green of the conifers. My reward might come from the Chamber of Commerce in the shape of Gibsons fried chicken and Sechelt apple pie, recently suggested as tourist bait for the Sunshine Coast.

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My song might also answer the query of the Gambier Island correspondent whose letter in the Coast News posed the query as to what there was in Gibsons. If he came with me, and saw what comes out of Gibsons on an ebb tide, he would get a surprising answer. So did I, this fall, when the government was re-planking Gibsons wharf, for I picked up a collection of empty whiskey bottles in all the new shapes, that were just what I needed for my blackberry wine. Rowing against the tide, I had ample time to pick them up, but the homeward trip had its highlights too.

During the summer months the breeze rises in the forenoon, bends around the Headlands, and blows gently up West Howe Sound and to take advantage of this my son fitted my boat with a small sail on an aluminum mast and boom, so I row to Gibsons in the calm of a morning and sail home, sometimes like a scared cat, when the wind is brisk.

Last summer there was a letter in the Province complaining of the thousands of plastic cups that littered the waters of he Gulf of Georgia between Tsawwassen and Swartz Bay. These were thrown overboard from the government "Queens" and were wafted across the boundary line to litter the beaches south of the border. A Washington senator thereupon raised his voice in protest and was heard in Victoria, and this dumping ceased.

We had this phenomenon in minor degree in West Howe Sound and I used to see more plastic cups than seagulls dancing on the waves as I sailed home. Then I learned that these cups were ideal for seedlings and I set about collecting them. It took some practice to acquire the knack of picking one up, on account of the speed and drift of the boat under sail, but it combined the elements of pig-sticking and tent-pegging in India, and then some. Mr. Bennett's ukase that his girls get back to cups and saucers killed that game, but not before I had lifted my quota.

I have just checked for Willie how many strakes there are between the keelson and the gunwale on my boat, so that means my new love will soon be on the stocks, and this is my farewell and a requiem to the old one.

For a typical day in your life, choose a simple-to-sew casual with a flattering neckline. Ideal for spun rayon, shantung, cotton, wool blend.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

LAURIE SPECK
Gibsons

Dashing In With CHRISTMAS BEST WISHES

BULLDOZING SERVICE
C. E. SICOTTE
Gibsons

PEACE ON EARTH
May Christmas' true Joy reign forever more.

Ed and Charlie
Aggett Agencies Ltd.
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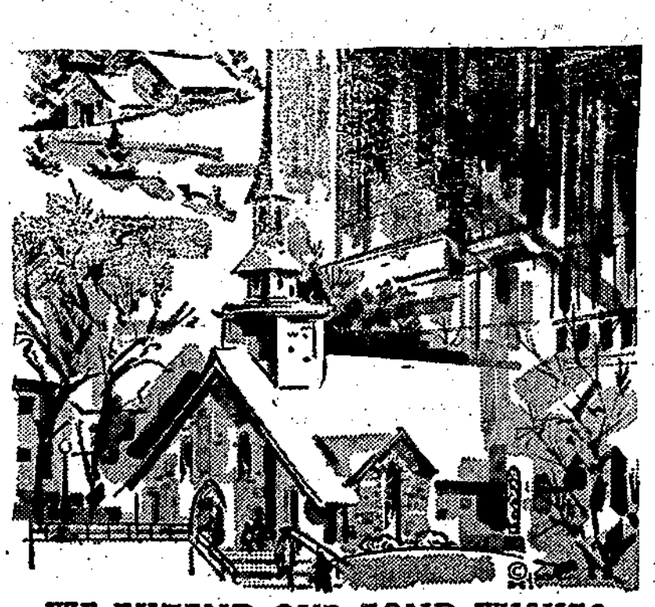
LOADS OF BEST Christmas Wishes

GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS, PATRONS AND NEIGHBORS

Stella and Al
Dogwood Cafe
Gibsons


WE EXTEND OUR FOND WISHES FOR A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS DAY

Marine Mens Wear
Gibsons

GREETINGS AT CHRISTMAS

N. Richard McKibbin
INSURANCE
Gibsons

WISHING ALL THE JOYS OF THE SEASON TO OUR MANY FRIENDS.

Alex, Murray and Curly
Gibsons Automotive

Christmas Greetings To All!

Stan
GIBSONS BAKERY

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Gord Hall and Staff
Sunshine Coast Service
Sechelt

We're hoping your Yuletide is full of bright surprises.

Molly and Ed
Midway Groceries - E & M Bowladrome
Gibsons

Thanks to all of you, our many loyal friends and customers, for your wonderful patronage.

Gunnar and Marilyn
Wigards Shoe Store
Sechelt

MADEIRA PARK STORE

COMING EVENTS

Dec. 28, L.A. to Canadian Legion branch 109, Christmas party for children of branch members.

Dec. 31 Plan to attend the Legion 109 Annual New Year's Eve Dance and Frolic. Noise makers etc. to make all happy. Excellent music. Tickets from Chris Beacon, Archie Crowe and Bill Tweedly.

Dec. 31, Kinsmen Club New Year's Eve Ball, 10 p.m. to ? School Hall, Gibsons.

GREETINGS

To all my dear friends on the Sunshine Coast, the Season's Greetings.
May Reichelt

Season's Greetings to friends and neighbors. In lieu of sending Christmas cards, we have sent a donation to the Cancer Fund.
Mary and Oscar Leeman
Sechelt.

Season's Greetings to all my friends, members of St. Hilda's church and choir, Legionaires and L.A. branch 140, Sechelt.
Dorothy Erickson
Wilson Creek 885-9612

Christmas and New Years Greetings to my many friends and heartfelt gratitude for your cards, letters and kind deeds extended during my recent stay in hospital. Mrs. A. Wyngaert

IN MEMORIAM

HOSTLAND — In loving memory of a wife, mother and grandmother, Alma Dorothy, who passed away Dec. 25, 1962.
Resting where no shadows fall,
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"Getting down will be easier!"

An outpost Christmas

Christmas is a sea-going barge from Vancouver. That's the word from RCAF station Holberg, a radar base on northern Vancouver Island.

At Holberg, Christmas got underway December 12 when the community's cubs and brownies held a party in the station's gymnasium. This was followed by a Christmas play in the theatre by the children of the San Josef School. A decorating bee was organized to put up a big tree and to present the gymnasium in its Christmas attire for the community council party for all station children and the even bigger party for all service personnel and civilian employees of the station. In addition, the community council has offered prizes for best exterior house decoration.

On Christmas day—providing the barge arrives in time from Vancouver with the turkeys, the tradition of officers, warrant officers and senior non-commissioned officers serving dinner to the airmen will be observed.

On the day after Christmas the Airmen's Club will host about 60 children from St. Michaels Indian School at Alert Bay. The guests will be cared for in the homes of some of the 125 married servicemen at the unit. Seasonal dinner will be served and a program of sports and entertainment has been laid on.

The holiday season — and the year—will wind up with an all-ranks formal dance on New Year's Eve.

RCAF Station Comox reports that much of their activities will be in conjunction with the neighboring communities of Courtenay and Comox, A delegation of corporals from Comox will make a gift of money to an orphanage.

And, like other RCAF units, Comox will also be on duty over the holidays and the station's Voodoo jet interceptors will be ready to go if necessary as part of the RCAF's Air Defence Command and the North American Air Defence Command.

At RCAF station Vancouver, children of the Air Force community have been gathering toys and will distribute them through local agencies as Christmas gifts to the unfortunate.

There will be special church services in the Protestant and Roman Catholic chapels and the commanding officer will carve the turkey in the mess hall on Christmas day and will serve the living-in airmen.

If the weather is good, Santa Claus will arrive by helicopter at Kitsilano site to deliver gifts to children of servicemen.

Through the combined efforts of RCAF Station Baldy Hughes, 25 miles from Prince George, the Prince George Lions club and the United States Air Force at McChord Air Force base in Washington state, nearly 200 gifts plus nuts and candy will be flown to Watson Lake, Yukon Territory, from where delivery will be made to Indian children at Lower Post, B.C. Santa Claus will be included in the party.

The Lions club raised the money for the operation while the wrapping and labelling of gifts was done by the Baldy Hughes Ladies' Auxiliary. The aircraft for the trip was provided by the U.S. commander of the 25th NORAD Region at McChord.

In the second operation at Station Baldy Hughes, about 15 underprivileged children from the district will be guests of the RCAF at a party with each guest being attended by his or her personal sponsor.

DRAMATIC ACCENT

When planning a new color scheme for a room, don't neglect to consider wood colors! They are as much a part of your decorative scheme as fabrics, draperies, paints and wallpaper. But don't feel all wood colors must be the same. For instance, an ebony chord organ, in a room of blonde wood furniture, will produce a dramatic accent.

SAVES CARPETS

To save carpeting or tile floor covering, it's advisable to move all furniture out of its tracks every week even if ever so slightly. This applies to chair and to tables, chord or spinet organs, coffee tables and chesterfields.

Puzzle No. 770

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1 Pairs
5 Informers
10 Mince
14 Rant
15 Poke
16 Half
17 Expense
18 ----- Sam
19 ----the Red
20 Consolidations
22 Canadian Province
24 Vase
25 -----Mamer
26 Balance
29 Evergreen tree
30 Minimum
34 Tug
35 Routine
36 Mortar and ------
37 Past
38 Counselors
40 Metallic element
41 Rank
43 Island (Fr.)
44 Lards
45 Rob
46 Conjunction
47 Succinct
48 Throw
50 Pale
51 Overhanging
54 Situated
58 Vocal
59 New
61 Devotion
62 Chill
63 Delete
64 Masculine name
65 Snares
66 Appraises
67 Vend

DOWN
1 Street car
2 Merchandise
3 Beyond
4 Aquatic bird
5 Reject
6 Play on words (pl.)
7 Business abbreviation
8 Pastry
9 Case
10 Dairy product (pl.)
11 German title of respect
12 Skip
13 A size of type
21 Before
23 Bundles
25 Posing
26 Argues
27 Xavier-----
28 Solitary
29 Sport
31 Fragrant oil
32 Cuts lengthwise
33 Taut
35 Communist
36 Before
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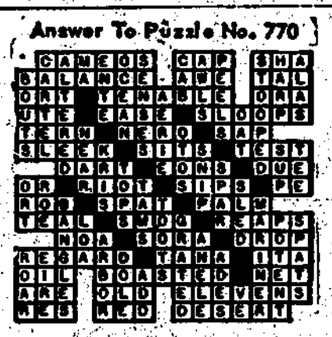

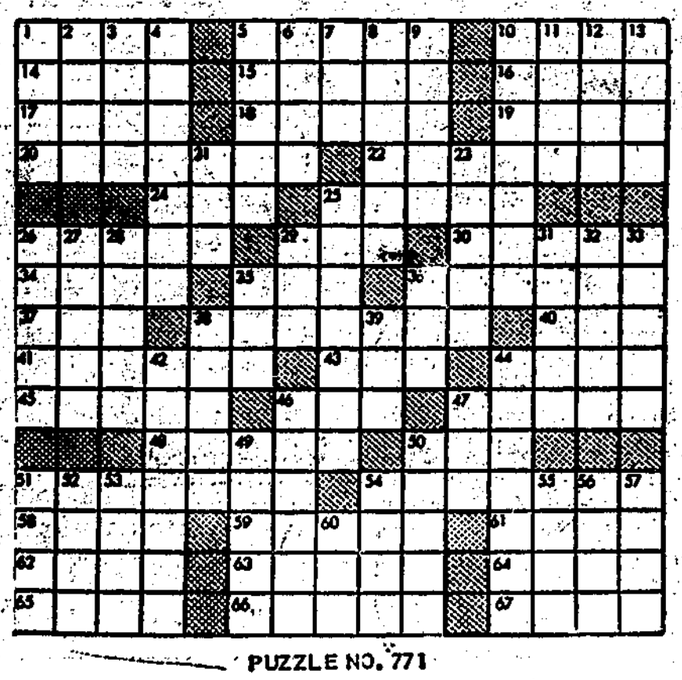

PUZZLE NO. 771

LETTERS to editor

THE FIRST WORLD WAR

To the Editor.

Sir — As a subscriber to a paper I always look forward to reading I enclose herewith a poem that will bring back memories to those that are left of the First World War of a Christmas day many years ago.

I would feel ever grateful if you will be so kind as to print this in your valuable paper.

Thanking you in advance, and with the very best of good wishes for a very Merry Christmas to you and your wonderful staff and may the New Year 1964 bring to you and each and every one of you prosperity, good health, and all that you yourselves wish.

I remain,
Yours very respectfully,
AUSTIN CRAVEN.

I wonder how many of the First War vets remember Christmas Day 1915-1916.

CHRISTMAS DAY AT THE FRONT

It was the 25th of December
In the great European war
A scene I shall always remember.
For such has never happened before.
When one of the boys left our trenches
On that glorious Christmas morn
To shake hands with the Germans
And give cigarettes for cigars in return.
On Christmas Eve the Germans
Who had been pretty active all day
Shouted across to our trenches
For some one to come half way.
A brave lad of ours went forward
To take them at their word
And as he went steadily forward
Not a sound was there to be heard.
Our boys were pathetically watching
No doubt some hearts stood still.
Each grasping his rifle tightly
In case he should become to ill.
But you should have heard the shouting
When they met and exchanged a word
I am sure at a public meeting
Louder cheers were never heard.
Eventually on Christmas morning
A host of them came out
Just as the day was dawning
My word they didn't half shout.
Some of us went out to meet them
And to hear what they had to say
And an officer who spoke good English
Said "no shoot" 'tis Christmas Day.

P.S.—The above few lines go to show that although we were bitter enemies at this time, for a little while we all forgot our hate and bitterness for each other, and showed the true Christmas spirit and reverence to the birth of the "Christ Child" who brought peace on earth and good will to man. So let us hope that peace and good will to our fellow man will continue, and as we kneel to pay our respects at the scene of the "Nativity" we will all know and understand what a small babe brought to us 'the true spirit of Christmas."

Capt. Austin Craven, MC,
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Topiary tree for your table

Plain white cotton batting can be effectively used to create a unique topiary tree for your Christmas table. You'll also need fine mesh chicken wire, two feet by eighteen inches, for the topiary ball base: a broomstick cut twenty-one inches long for the stem; and a styrofoam filled flower pot, which serves as the tree's base. First spray flower pot and broomstick with gold paint. Put sand or rocks in the bottom of pot to weigh tree down. Cut Styrofoam to fit the flower pot, making a hole in center to secure the broomstick. Mold chicken wire in shape of a ball and nail the top down over broomstick. Cover the ball with cotton batting by punching it into the mesh wire. Spray cotton with glue, and sprinkle with silver glitter. Decorate the tree with clusters of polished holly leaves, small red Christmas bells, and gold-sprayed small leaves — artificial or real. You might also use artificial flowers or costume jewellery for tree decorations. To complete your topiary tree, cover the styrofoam base with cotton batting, and tie a big bow around the stem.

Christmas Down Under

(By NANCY CLEAVER)

Australia and Canada, the two large independent nations in the Commonwealth, thousands of miles apart, have much in common, but Christmas here and "down under" has many contrasts.

In Australia, it's day when it's night here, and their Christmas season is in mid-summer. In December great hedges of poinsettia and fuchsia are in full bloom. Geraniums, with very large blooms, are also planted as hedges.

The fireplace in most homes is filled with potted plants, because nobody would dream of having a fire in that temperature, but the old saint still fills stockings hung on the mantel.

To Canadians, white snow piled in great drifts, and cold crisp weather are normal settings for the Christmas season. In Australia snow is found only on mountain tops.

Most Canadian homes have a Christmas tree. A number of Australians do put up imported Christmas trees. Their only native tree, is the eucalyptus. This famous gum tree sheds its bark instead of its leaves.

The Christmas dinner tradition in Australia rests largely with the older families. They try to keep up the customs of opening gifts after breakfast with a noon meal of turkey or beef. But some simply prepare a big picnic meal and go off to the beach, or eat outdoors in the garden!

Canadian children hear about a Santa Clous with sleigh and reindeer visiting their homes to bring gifts for good boys and girls. In Australia, deer or reindeer are seen only in zoos, and Father Christmas, as he is called, arrives by plane.

Winter sports as we know them don't exist in Australia. Australians play tennis with unabated enthusiasm the whole year, and at Christmas, swimming, surfboating, water skiing and boating are widely enjoyed.

At Alice Springs on the edge of the Simpson desert, the temperature is often 123 degrees of heat, and sometimes reaches 132. A Happy New Year to you all. Broadcasters talk about breaking high records in this area while Canadian broadcasters are usually talking of an all time low.

There is great contrast between Christmas in Australia and in Canada, in eternal things dependent on the climate. But Christmas in both lands is the festival in the home, the Children's Day, the Birthday of the Christ Child.

"Daddy, may I have a potato? You gave me a piece of charcoal again!"

Premier's greeting

The Holy Season is one of many meanings.

Christmas is a fire glowing in the hearth, the music of youthful gladness, a family gathered round a Christmas tree to share the joys this special day holds.

Christmas is the greatness of a star-filled night and the affecion that takes our thoughts beyond the canopy of sky. It is the honest simplicity of a child's gratitude, the sincerity attending the exchange of greeting and gift among friends.

Christmas is a time of human bondship, of true and genuine desires to offer a warm handshake to our fellow man wherever he may be, and the resolve that by this same alliance mankind shall be accordingly enriched and made happier.

A Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Original wrap-ups

A big part of the fun of Christmas is wrapping gifts, and wrapping them with imagination. You can find unusual and inexpensive gift wrap ideas around the house, especially in your sewing room. For instance, a scrap of black cotton velveteen and black lace trim make elegant wrappings for a sophisticates gift. To please a very feminine lady, wrap her gift in pastel paper and lavishly trim with cotton eyelet ruffles, ribbon and lace appliques. For a gift of early Canadiana, use cotton ticking or bright red calico as wrapping material. Tie up the package with strands of red ball fringe or cotton rickrack. For a woman who sews, wrap a box of Christmas cookies in a cotton print fabric which can be made into kitchen towels or pot holders later. Use rickrack to tie up the box, and attach spools of matching thread to the bow arrangement. If your gift is for the both, fragrant soap or bath salts, wrap it in a cotton terry cloth hand towel. One of the new floral-printed styles could be used to wrap a matching towel ensemble.

Wrap each gift to suit the contents or the person who receives it, and you'll add an extra measure of thoughtfulness to the simplest present.

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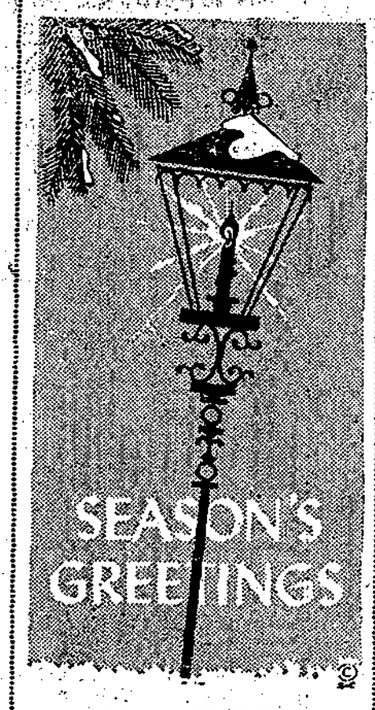

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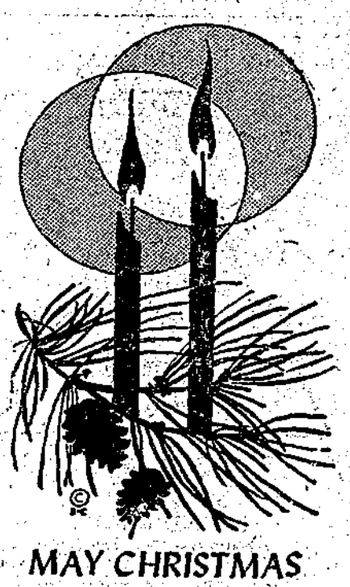

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Elphinstone Christmas Echoes

Exam week, an undesirable necessity, is hard upon us. Everyone is aware of the seriousness of these exams. Most of them, for the seniors at least, are two hours in length. Nearly all other school activities change from a thundering stomp to a quiet tiptoeing but nothing ceases completely until Friday when we abandon the corridors, the classrooms, and even the gymnasium which never seems quiet. The school will be free of its over 400 occupants and enjoy a quiet Christmas holiday.

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The choir and drama groups are practising for their respective performances at the Christmas concert on Friday. This training. Maybe because the should prove to be most enter- cloud of worry that are exams has moved on or maybe it is the holiday spirit that makes this one of the most enjoyable afternoons of the year, coming second only to the last day of school in June.

The display case was adorned this week with a nativity scene. Mr. Bennie's art 20 class did a fine job in preparing this lovely array. It depicts the wise men coming to Bethlehem on one side of the case and the scene in the stable on the other. The characters are of asbestos and dry paste over wire frames. The characters are very life-like indeed. The art 20 class should feel pleased with the results of their efforts.

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Friday saw the distribution of My-Ook. This is a book comprised of a collection of some of the better essays written by students of Elphinstone. The contents range from colorful descriptions to the relating of past experiences. That perennial essay topic which is a favorite of our English teachers takes on a new twist as Garry Jones tells of his Earliest Recollections. Bruce Wilson's poem gives one food for thought. Others whose work should be recognised are Gloria Bishop, Brian Knowles, Nora Hanula, Rick Flumerfelt, Holly Pratt and Mary Seymour. The entire publication staff should be congratulated.

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Much to the disappointment of some and the satisfaction of othres, Friday noon, usually reserved for a noon-hour dance, was cancelled to make way for a basketball practice. At the time it was annoying but the results of Saturday's game at Pender Harbour made that small sacrifice more than worth while.

Scores: Junior Boys, Elphinstone 33, Pender 7. Senior Girls, Elphinstone 21, Pender 11. Senior Boys, Elphinstone 40, Pender 36.

Both schools brought fine teams.

"He barely made it!"

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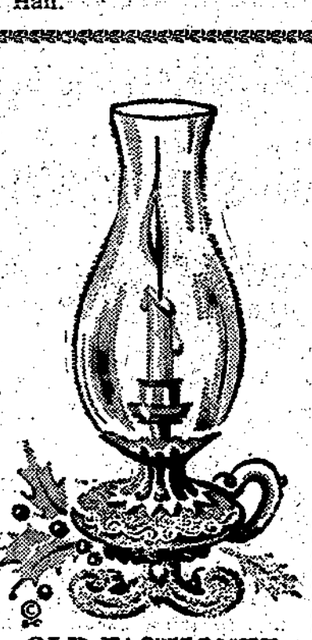

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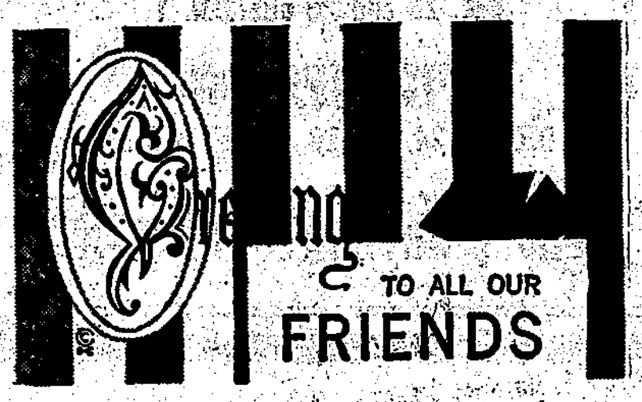

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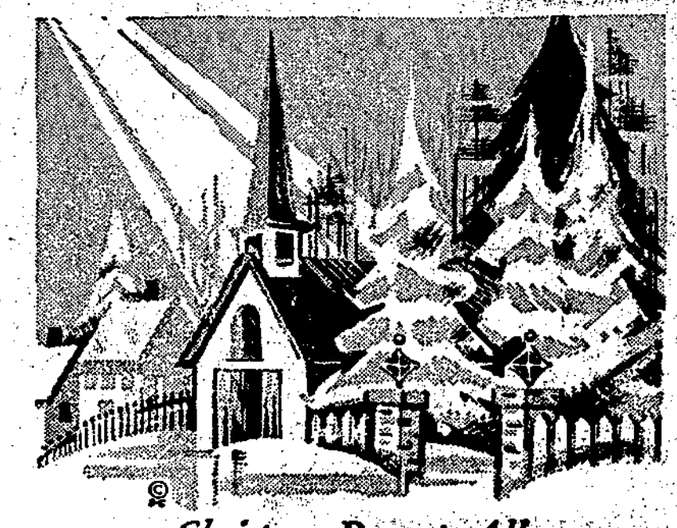

Christmas Peace to All

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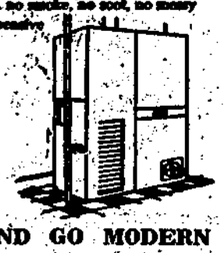

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Kitchen staff gets in dance

Attendance at Roberts Creek Hall Parents' auxiliary dance Saturday was disappointingly small owing to several other dances and parties taking place on the Sunshine Coast.

The music of the Toetappers was, however, provocatively urgent so that even the kitchen staff danced as they worked. In fact it may be said that some new steps were brought to life there.

Thanks to the kindness of members of the Baler's Ball who had held a dance there the previous night, their Christmas decorations were left up to be enjoyed for another night. Thanks also goes to the pre-sale of tickets there is no reason to believe that Santa Claus will fail to keep his appointment at the concert on Dec. 20.

Refreshments were convened by Mrs. L. Flumerfelt and co-workers were Mrs. C. Beeman, Mrs. M. MacKenzie, Mrs. D. Marshall and Mrs. M Newman

To fire calls

Two calls have been answered this month by the Sechelt Volunteer Fire Brigade, one to a chimney fire at the home of C. G. Lucken, Wilson Creek and the other to the home of Mrs. Lorna Kolke at West Sechelt. The latter was due to an overheated heater and was under control when the firemen arrived.

A 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8, Bill Rankin, one of the firemen, when driving past a vacant house at the corner of Browning Road and Highway 101 noticed smoke. On investigating he found the interior of the house a mass of flames and knowing it was beyond control he telephoned the RCMP from Wilson Creek. They in turn contacted the Fire Brigade and when Fire Chief Parish and Capt. T. V. Gory arrived on the scene the house was completely demolished. RCMP are investigating but there is no suspicion of arson.

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Tues. Coffee: Jinx 2513 (945). K. Horvath 599 (267), V. Boyes 535, C. Fisher 586, (276), A. Johnson 510, B. Swanson 561.

Merchants: Jim's TV 2795 (988) B. McFarland 624 (260), D. McCauley 639, S. Wilson 241, B. Gibb 240.

Gibsons A: Midway 3141, Imperials 1145. B. Fisher 254, D. Crosby 632, L. Pilling 613 (250), J. Davies 608, J. Allan 614 (276), E. Shadwell 609 (286), H. Shadwell 636 (280), L. Campbell 602 (252), Gwen Edmonds 669, G. Edmonds 665 (248), G. West 649 (241).

Ladies Wed.: Gibson Girls 2313 (830). K. Taylor 503, M. Lee 524, D. Crosby 602 241), L. McKay 548, M. Connor 526, C. Zantolas 616.

Teachers Hi: Hit Ums 2706 (1021). H. Inglis 605, B. McFarland 643 J. Wbeb 271, E. Yablonski 678 (271), B. Reed 603 (245).

Commercials: Jets 2592 Larks 980. D. Reeves 714 (260, 267), D. Bailey 608 (309), H. Jorgenson 617 (248), M. Campbell 246, R. Cruice 702 (307, 251), J. Peddie 615 (273).

Port Mellon: Rebels 2549, Winners 914. A. Ferguson 240, J. Larkman 697 (243), J. Thomas 696 (305), C. Sheppard 621 (260), J. Hostland 249.

Ball & Chain: Lucky Strikes 2585, Sid's Haren 959. D. Carroll 278.

Crown & Anchor: Knaves 2693 (988), Gwen Edmonds 673 (279) L. Gregory 699 (290, 251), J. Larkman 627 (241), A. Holden 602 (255), E. Connor 702 (243, 262), E. Hume 602.

Juniors: Blowers 1035 (578).

JOINT PARTY

First Wilson Creek Scout Troop and the First Wilson Creek Cubs held a joint Christmas party at Wilson Creek Scout hall, Wed., Dec. 18.

Scoutmaster George Flay's scouts entertained the cubs with three excellent skits and Cubmaster Robert E. Godwin and his cubs entertained the scouts with games.

Refreshments were provided by parents of the boys and by the Wilson Creek Scout and Cub Group Committee.

TENDERS

EXTENSION OF TIME

on invitations to tender South Pender Harbour Waterworks District Contracts Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned which were to have been received by the undersigned up to 7 p.m. Pacific Standard Time, January 2, 1964, will now come under an extension of time for delivery up to 7 p.m. Pacific Standard Time, Jan. 9, 1964.

E. STUART JOHNSTONE,
Secretary,
South Pender Harbour
Waterworks District,
Madeira Park P.O., B.C.

Carol Forshner 239, Wayne Wright 207, Randy Godfrey 240, Robert Solnik 222, Chuck Bruce 376 (209), Mike Clement 385 (233).

SECHELT BOWLING ALLEYS

(By EVE MOSCRIP)

Orv Moscrip in the Sports Club broke the individual three game alley record with a whopping 932 (326, 319, 287). Village Bakery of the Peninsula Commercial league set a new team single record rolling 1405, Arvella Benner leading the team with 355. A Merry Christmas to all bowlers and good bowling in the New Year.

Ladies League: Bev Nelson 645

Pender Harbour Muriel Cameron 623 (327), Charlie Hauka 600.

Peninsula Commercial: Bronnie Wilson 715 (336), Gordon Freeman 693.

Sports Club: Orv Moscrip 932 (326, 319, 287).

High School: Susan Read 410 (200, 210), Diane Goeson 263, Jack Goeson 403 (210), Arlene Johnson 209.

Pee Wees: Penny Caldwell 287 (164), Randy DeLeenheer 295, (155).

LAND ACT

In Land Recording District of Vancouver and situate east of Porpoise Bay, vicinity of Sechelt

TAKE NOTICE that Bernard E. Starrs of North Vancouver, occupation H.D. Mechanic, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

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