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Ground Observer alert

At five minutes after five in the afternoon of Sat. Dec. 13, Observation Post LIMA ECHO 53 Black located at Williams General Store, Irvine's Landing reported a jet aircraft flying in circles.

Chief Observer W.P. Peiper continued to report that the jet seemed to be having engine trouble. This information received at the Air Defence Filter Centre in Vancouver was passed to the Rescue Co-ordination Centre.

The Rescue Centre later confirmed that the jet was indeed in difficulty with one engine missing but was being controlled by Comox Tower and was capable of returning to its base. Mr. Peiper has been commended for his prompt report of an unusual incident by Air Defence authorities who state that many such reports by ground observers are often of assistance to Search and Rescue agencies.

Water taxi driver dies

It was quite a trip to Horseshoe Bay from Hopkins Landing for some folk from Gibsons and Sechelt areas. Howard Demany, 52, of North Vancouver, water taxi operator for the PDQ company suffered a serious heart attack.

He was stricken while out in open water and Jack Fox whose father operates a water taxi business in Porpoise Bay, took charge and piloted the craft into the dock at Horseshoe Bay. A nurse on board, name so far unknown, did what she could to help the stricken man but he was pronounced dead on arrival at Horseshoe Bay.

There were school teachers from this area on board. They were on their way home for the Christmas holidays.

Church Services

ANGLICAN
St. Bartholomew's, Gibsons
Family Holy Communion
8.30 a.m.
St. Aidan's, Roberts Creek
Family Holy Communion
10 a.m.
St. Hilda's Sechelt
Family Holy Communion
11.00 a.m.
Carol Service, Sunday, Dec. 28
Special Music

St. Bartholomew's	11 a.m.
St. Aidan's	3 p.m.
St. Hilda's	7:30 p.m.
Pt. Mellon Com. Ch.	7.30 p.m.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
Pender Harbour
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES
8 and 11 a.m. Holy Communion
The John Antle will make the usual calls in the Harbour Christmas morning.

UNITED
Gibsons
9.45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Divine Service
Roberts Creek, 2 p.m.
Wilson Creek
Sunday School 11 a.m.
3:30 p.m. Divine Service
The Community Church
Port Mellon, 7.30 p.m.

ST. VINCENT'S
Holy Family, Sechelt, 9 a.m.
St. Mary's, Gibsons, 10.30 a.m.
Port Mellon, first Sunday of each month at 11.35 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS
Church service and Sunday School, 11 a.m. in Roberts Creek United Church

PENTECOSTAL
11 a.m. Devotional
9.45 a.m. Sunday School
7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service
Mid-week services as announced

Bethal Baptist Church
7:30 P.M., Wed., Prayer
11:15 A.M., Worship Service
Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Pender Harbour Tabernacle
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
12:00 a.m. Morning Service
7:30 p.m, Wednesday Prayer Meeting

UNION LINE PLANS TRIPS TO GIBSONS

Based on information received by telephone in Gibsons, Union Steamship lines for Tuesday and Wednesday at least, will run a twice a day service between Gibsons and Vancouver.

Here are the times as received by phone from the Union Steamships office:

Leave Gibsons 9 a.m. arr. Vancouver 11 a.m.; leave Vancouver 1 p.m. and arrive at Gibsons at 3 p.m.; leave Gibsons at 4 p.m. to arrive in Vancouver at 6 p.m. and leave Vancouver at 9 p.m. to arrive in Gibsons at 11 p.m.

As the result of Black Ball Ferries employees deciding to strike, efforts are being made to organize a transport system from Horseshoe Bay to Gibsons and other points.

Sechelt Motor Transport is running buses from its pickup points to George Hunter's Water Taxi and other water taxis operating from Hopkins Landing on a non-schedule basis.

Based on unofficial information, the ferries may not be running again until after New Year's Day. There is no official confirmation on this from Back Ball or union officials.

Up to this point the Coast News has only received news from Black Ball that there will be no ferries because of the strike but there has been no word of any sort from the union side.

Inconvenience which the strike has caused is not placing people of the Sunshine Coast in any too happy a frame of mind for this time of the year. Boards of Trade and the Gibsons Centennial committee have dispatched telegrams to Prime Minister Bennett pointing out the plight of the people in this area.

Information available at present is that the strike will be continued for some time which means some sort of transportation service, particularly for trucks and cars will have to be organized.

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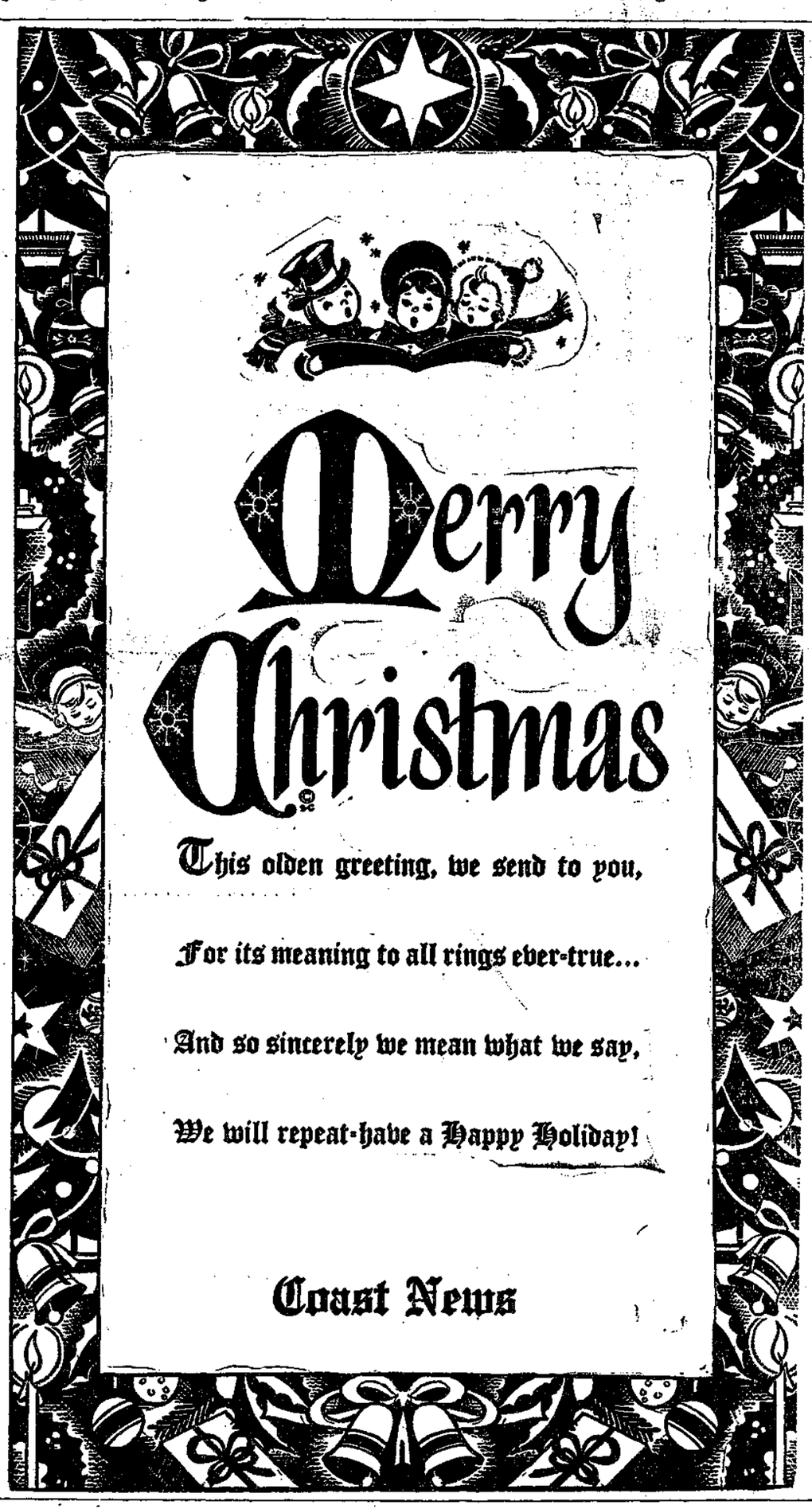

An embarrassed angel

By Mrs. M. West

A group of excited parents and younger brothers and sisters gathered in the Port Mellon Community Hall Thursday last for Mrs. Legh's Kindergarten Christmas concert. The hall was gay with a Christmas tree which had been decorated by the children with their own handmade paper chains, lanterns and cutouts, and tables on which were displayed cheery saltbox Santas with bright red caps and cotton batting whiskers and other samples of their work.

The seven girls and eleven boys, all five years old, gave a varied program and to work off high spirits and encourage co-ordination of young muscles the children sang a series of Christmas verses with vigorous illustrations of Santa's galloping reindeer, rocking horses, dancing dolls, jack-in-the-box and spinning tops which miraculously didn't bump into each other.

Joining hands around the Christmas tree, carols were sung with enthusiasm. The boys recited an animal poem, each child being a different animal and Patricia Finley and Peter Hempsall had several requests for Santa Claus. Stuart Carel was a fat, jolly snowman to whom the children sang the favorite 'Frosty the Snowman.'

The highlights of most children's performances are the spontaneous comments of the children and their reactions to unrehearsed situations, and the charming Nativity Play was no exception. When the time came for Mary (Carrie Gallier) to sing a lullaby, the manger was empty and an embarrassed small angel who had missed her cue was hastily despatched to bring the baby. The shepherds and kings grouped around Mary and Joseph with four shining angels in the backgound brought the comment "Gee! I just can't get over how beautiful they look" from a small onlooker.

Patsy Feeney brought the program to a close with a short farewell song and emptied a box of balloons over the heads of the children, who also received a gift from Mrs. Legh. Coffee and cookies were served by Mrs. Legh and Mrs. Strayhorn helped by their sons, Barry and Bruce home from school in Vancouver, and a beautiful cookie tree dismantled for the children.

Congratuations were offered Mrs. Legh by the parents and gratitude for her wonderful patience with children and ability to transform them from self-centred individuals into a co-operative, happy and talented group.

Phone girls to be busy

Officials at B.C. Telephone Company's Vancouver long distance headquarters estimate more people than ever will call up relatives and friends in other parts of Canada, the United States and overseas this season. Last year's record of 19,000 calls placed on Christmas Day is expected to be surpassed.

To date, 226 overseas calls have been placed at Montreal from British Columbia for the period Dec. 20 to 31. Twenty overseas calls per hour will be handled by the Montreal centre from all over Canada during Christmas week — four every 15 minutes to the British Isles, and one every 15 minutes to points beyond.

Of a total of 211 Canada-Australia calls booked in each direction to date from Dec. 20 to 31, the great majority are on Christmas Eve — Christmas Day in Australia. Thirty-four Canada-New Zealand calls have been booked for the same period.

Laurier on radio

"These people do not understand Laurier. He has a governing mind; he wants to do things; he has plans. He will walk the great way of life with anyone of good intentions who will join him..."

So begins Joseph Schull's radio biography of the great Sir Wilfred Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada from 1896 to 1911. It completes a trilogy of special four hour broadcasts on the CBC Wednesday night program, beginning in 1953 with a biography of Sir John A. Macdonald by Tommy Tweed, and continuing in 1954 with Joseph Schull's dramatization of the life and times of Joseph Howe.

To be heard on two Wednesday night programs, January 14 and 21, Laurier is not only but of some of the most exciting years of Canada's history, the dramatic story of the man.

Laurier will be produced by J. Frank Willis, producer of Schull's earlier scripts on Joseph Howe.

Wi' nae apologies tae Burns

Dear Editor, I'm Jist a coo
Wha'd like a space tae air her view.

Some folk are awfu' hard tae please,
I weed their gairden, prune their trees,
And dinna ask for pay.
And when I dae a' this for free
You'd think they'd dae a lot for me,
But, na, that's no' their way.

I get them up at crack o' dawn,
I shaw their turnips, mow their lawn.
They're discontented still.
Tho' driven aff wi' mony a whack,
I eat ma pride and aye come back
Tae show there's nae ill will.

Weel, sic things are beyond ma ken.
But coos are coos and men are men.

J. W.

A greeting

The following is a Christmas message from the prime minister of British Columbia:

Families all over the world are united at this Yuletide season in thanksgiving for the blessings of Christianity.

We of the large and growing British Columbia family, coming now to the close of our Centennial Year, are particularly aware of the material benefits, gifts from a generous Providence, which have rewarded our Christian faith, courage and unity over the last 100 years.

As we resolve in the New Year to continue steadfastly along the path of peaceful prosperity, I extend to all the members of our British Columbia family and to all men of good will wherever they may be, my most sincere Greetings of the Season.

Entertain choirs

Following Sunday night's joint effort by Port Mellon and Gibsons choirs at the Port Mellon Community Church service, the choir members were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Macey, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hempsall and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Taylor. The event occurred in the Macey home where refreshments were served.

Both choirs combined to sing at the morning service in Gibsons and at the evening service in Port Mellon. Rev. D. Donaldson and Canon Oswald conducted the Port Mellon service and Mr. Donaldson the Gibsons service.

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The Christmas Story

by Rev. Ernest E. Jessop

The asssociations of Christmas Day are beautiful and tender; so much so that it has become the sweetest of festivals ever recognized by the Christian Church. Peace and Joy and Gladness become the realities of the moment, rather than the dreams of a future day.

It is the sincere desire of all Christian people that the Spirit of Christ shall come to birth in the hearts of men, and in the life of Nations. It is the great task of the Christian Church to proclaim the Good News of Salvation; "Unto you is born, this day, in the City of David, a Saviour, which is Christ, the Lord."

Christmas Day is a day of commemoration; the one day in all the year when we are invited to focus our thoughts, in a special way, on the wondrous love of the Heavenly Father, who sent His Son into the world "Not to condemn the world, but that the world, through Him, might be saved."

The Babe, born in a manger, was born to set men free. He came to "Lighten our darkness," strengthen our faith, conquer our fears, and to lead us in the path of peace.

He still comes to every home, and into every heart in which there is a desire for the light of truth, and a willingness to encourage His abiding presence.

There can be no question of our need of a Saviour; for it is He and He alone, dwelling in our hearts by faith, who can enable us to deal effectively with the fear of insecurity, and the threat of war.

"Glory to God in the highest" — the dominant note in that first Christmas Carol is the secret and essential condition, of that universal peace and goodwill so earnestly desired by all who possess the Spirit of the Christ Child.

The worthy aspirations of all Christian people are beautifully expressed in the poetic prayer associated with the statue of Christ which marks the boundary between Chile and the Argentine.

"Christ of the Andes, Christ of Everywhere,
Great lover of the hills, the open air,
And patient lover of impatient men
Who blindly strive, and sin, and strive again.
Thou Living Word, larger than any creed,
Thou Love Divine, uttered in human need —
Oh, teach the world, warring and wandering still,
The way of peace, the footpath of goodwill."

TOTEM REALTY GIBSONS

BETWEEN OURSELVES BY Archer Wallace

The Jews of Christ's day felt acutely their political servitude to Rome. They hated it, and time after time rebellions broks out which were only subdued after severe fighting and much blood shed. Terrible scenes took place whenever they held a patriotic anniversary.

Jesus sought to convince them that the real slavery was not political but spiritual. He said, "Every one that committeth sin is a bond servant of sin," and again "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." In substance Jesus said "That which makes you slaves is not the Roman Empire but your ignorance and evil passions. You want emancipation, but that is an inward more than an outward condition."

In Louis Fischer's "Life of Mahatma Gandhi" he shows how often Gandhi antagonized his Indian friends by refusing to join savage attacks againts the British. Much as he wanted India to be independent, he knew that political freedom was not nearly so important as being worthy of it. He sad: "I am not interested in freeing India from the British yoke. I am bent on freeing India from any yoke whatever."

It was not the British who worried Gandhi so much as the hotheads and vicious men of his own country. As a matter of fact he had a deep-seated respect and admiration for British character; what he worried over was whether his people were ready for self-government. He knew that passing all the resolutions in the world was empty and vain if they were not inwardly observed.

Real slavery is inward. In the Bay of Naples are many of the most beautiful islands in the world. Even in the palmy days of ancient Rome, the wealthy built their beautiful palaces there where the scenery was perfect. On one of these fairy islands the Italian government has a penal colony; the inhabitants are convicts, fettered, watched, driven and scourged. What does all the magnificent beauty mean to these prisoners? We imagine very little. They are unhappy and discontented because they are not free; unsurpassed scenery only exasperates them.

Freedom is one of the magic words of our language, as slavery is detested. A man who had spent some time in a penitentiary told me that the humiliation of being confined and distrusted was for him the severest punishment. Men often abuse their freedom, but countless books and poems have been written in praise of it.

One of the strangest misconceptions of religion is to think of it as a strait-jacket — something which simply restrains and subdues. True religion makes for liberty. Nearly 30 centuries ago a devout Jew said "I delight to do thy will, O my God." Note that frame of mind. He didn't say that he accepted God's will or was reconciled to it, but that he delighted to do it. Here is ideal freedom, a man who finds himself in full accord with God's will.

When a critic told Tennyson that he obeyed the laws of good poetry, the poet replied, "I am glad I do observe these laws but I never knew it." There you have a perfect illustration of what happens in spiritual living. As far as we know, Jesus never hesitated. He did and said the right thing because he was in perfect harmony with God.

You see a good typist at work. She doesn't hesitate as a beginner does, who plods along uncertainly, sounding like static on the radio. The first-class typist proceeds efficiently, without the slightest hesitation. It is possible for us to reach a condition where we shall really delight to do the right thing? Well, some of us have a long way to go, but that is our goal. There is the perfect emancipation. I am sure I have known some people for whom to do right was second nature. They had reached a stage in their spiritual development where their impulses and motives were sound and wholesome. And the people who arrive there are free, emancipated, and happy.

True liberty is of the spirit, inward rather than outward. The apostle Paul wrote many of his letters in jail and John Bunyan penned "The Pilgrims' Progress" while behind prison walls. With such a soul there is no imprisonment.

Season's Greetings

It's such a pleasure to say thank you to our many friends and customers at Christmas. May this Yule be filled with wonder and happiness for everyone. . . .

Edith, Sam, Ethel, Jean and Ann

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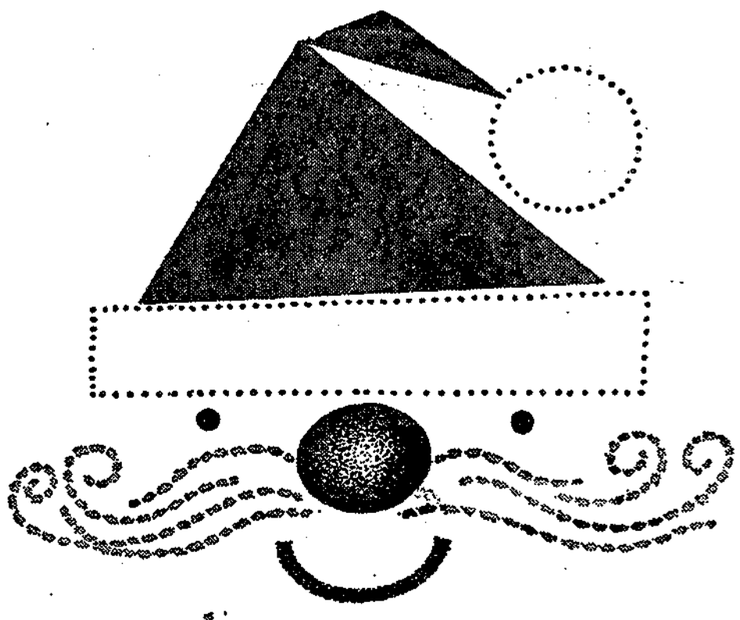

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Whatever four-year-old Bruce Hewitt gets for Christmas, you can bet it will be something to do with sports; it runs in the family. His father is Bill Hewitt, left, who announces the N.H.L. hockey games on the CBC radio and television networks each week. His great-grandfather (back), W.A. Hewitt, is a noted sports official, and his grandfather, when he's not playing Santa Claus, is famed Foster Hewitt, dean of Canadian sports announcing. His progenitors are trying to convince Bruce that men's toys make the best presents.

Up-to-date history of province available

For the first time in 43 years an up-to-date history of British Columbia has hit the book stalls — and it's expected to be a national best seller.

British Columbia: A History — a 558-page volume, representing almost three years work by Dr. Margaret Ormsby, professor of history at the University of British Columbia, rolled off the presses in time for Douglas Day, Nov. 19.

The first copy was presented by Premier W.A.C. Bennett to Governor-General Vincent Massey during ceremonies at Fort Langley on that day, commemorating the birth of the mainland colony 100 years previous.

Book stores across Canada are already experiencing a demand and British Columbia Centennial Committee Chairman, L.J. Wallace, believes sales will surpass those experienced when the British Columbia Anthology was marketed earlier this year. The anthology, a collection of the best writing and photographs of native origin, is leading sales across the continent.

"This is the first comprehensive history of the province to be compiled in 43 years. If we have done nothing else, this has made the centennial year worthwhile," said Mr. Wallace.

The Centennial committee sponsored the work and through a sepcial arrangement with the publisher, the Macmillan Company of Canada Ltd., the over-the-counter price was reduced to $4.75 — a fraction of the cost of most publications of this nature. "It is priced to suit every book case," one leading book dealer stated.

Of interest too is the fact the complete production was carried out in British Columbia using B.C. materials and the skills of B.C. craftsmen. Printing was done at Evergreen Press, Vancouver. All colorplates, photographs and mapping were also completed here.

A special sub-committee, headed by provincial librarian and archivist Willard Ireland, has aided in completion of almost 80 such works. Mr. Ireland felt the greatest value of Dr. Ormsby's new history is that for the first time there is a concise record available of the advances of the recent half century.

Dr. Ormsby was assisted in the tremendous work of compiling her material by senior history students from UBC during two summers. The first section of her work deals with the same subjects naturally that historians of 50 years ago drew upon. But even that section is of wider scope due to recent finds of historical material which cast new light on early exploration and first government.

Modern readers will find much interest in the latter section of the volume which traces British Columbia's growth up to and including the royal tour of 1958 and the extension of Pacific Great Eastern Railway steel to Fort St. John and Dawson Creek.

To the reader of 35 and under, whose memories of the years following World War I are almost nil, whose memories of the depression are vague whose memories of the last war are specific but not woven into the pattern of provincial advancement, the new history may have greatest value.

The story and its impact is sharpened by photographs and political cartoons which tend to bring yesterday into a new focus.

There are photographs and engravings of the early years encompassing first settlement, the drama of the gold rush, the proud beauty of sailing ships and paddle wheelers and the elegance of Victorian era society.

Most touching photo of all perhaps is the Claude Detloff prize-winner showing the men of the British Columbia Regiment marching in unending files down a New Westminster hill to embarkation, while wives and children trail along torn between anguish and pride.

Dr. Ormsby's narrative contains sidelights of the times she covers and draws on the great journalists of the era for many of the comments which sparkle in her pages.

The dust jacket bears a reproduction of an early map of the north west coast of the continent, drawn by Lieut Henry Roberts for Capt. James Cook, first English explorer to land in the new territory. It was drawn between 1778 and 1779 before map-makers realized that Vancouver Island was not part of the mainland.

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Heat wave greets home-bound travellers

By Thomas Humphries
Article 18

Sunday, June 22, proved to be one of the coldest and wettest days we had experienced since landing in England with a very cold wind and heavy showers. We were cold all day until after dinner when we lit a gas fire in our bedroom (sixpence in the slot). The Dolphin had central heating but to use this in England in June would be unthinkable. Indeed, the British were enjoying the fresh air so much that the main door of the lobby was open all day as were several windows.

Clothed in sweaters and overcoats we went down to the docks in the morning, walked down the pier in the afternoon and watched boats leaving for the Isle of Wight. Despite th weather, sightseeing coaches were arriving at frequent intervals and hardy British trippers were taking launch trips round Southampton harbour in the pouring rain and cold at half-a-crown a person. Later in the afternoon we drove to Winchester with the intention of seeing the cathedral, but a heavy electrical storm and cloudburst made it impossible to leave the car and we returned to Southampton.

Monday, June 23, was our last day in England. The morning opened with a clear sky and bright sunshine and we started off for Bournemouth at 10 o'clock hoping for a nice day. The road to Bournemouth took us for miles through the New Forest, a huge unfenced park with horses running at large and signs warning motorists to beware of animals on the road.

Arriving in Bournemouth about 11.30 we found the traffic very dense and, with some difficulty found our way to the waterfront, which is the top of the cliffs in Bournemouth. We tried several public parking places but they were all full so, eventually, we parked the car in a residential or boarding house section and walked down to the waterfront. Here we were greeted with a very violent thunderstorm and a deluge of rain and we had to crowd into a shelter for half an hour.

After the storm passed we walked down the cliff on a zigzag path to the beach and the promenade which was crowded with holidaymakers. The promenade is lined with cabins or cabinos which are rented by the day or the weekend, and, with the unsettled English climate, they are assuredly an excellent investment. Bournemouth has really a beautiful promenade and beach and it was too bad that, at the time of our visit, the weather had driven most of the holdaymekers back to their hotels or into their cabins where we saw several parties having their tea and, apparently, not worrying about the weather one bit. However, I noticed a decided lack of bathers on the beach. Even the hardy British could not face a dip in those cold, cold breakers.

After struggling with the traffic of Bournemouth again and coming back to one roundabout several times we managed to find our way out and, raining again, we had lunch at he Boscombe Golf Club and arrived back at Southampton about 4 o'clock. We had arranged for a representative of the Auto Hire firm to come down from London to take delivery of the Vauxhall and a uniformed girl driver arrived in due course. She found that our mileage was within 30 miles of he allowable mileage of 2400 and she could not find a scratch on the car which was not there when we took delivery on May 19 so our deposit of 10 pounds was refunded plus a small amount we had spent on running repairs. We had become quite attached to our little Vauxhall during the five weeks we had lived with it, it had never let us down or given us any trouble and we parted with it with much regret.

After dinner we walked down to the pier and had a cruise round the harbour on a pleasure launch. It was a pretty cold trip, even wth our coats on, but it was interesting to see all the liners at their berths, including P & O boats bound for South Africa, the Queen Mary which, looking up from the deck of our small launch, towered above us and the Caronia on which we were sailing tomorow.

Our trip to New York on the Caronia was uneventful. The Caronia was built by the Cunard Company as a cruise ship and is called the luxury ship of the Cunard Line only making one or two regular Atlantic crossings during the year. Certainly we found no fault with the service or accommodation; everything was absolutely first class and we had a pleasant crossing.

Six days later we landed in New York at 8 a.m. on June 29. As we anticipated we struck a real New York heat wave, 94 in the shade, a little too sudden a change for comfort after the cold weather we had lefft in Southamptos and the moderate temperature on the Atlantic In spite of the heat we did a bit of sightseeing by Gray Line Coach but we were glad to board the plane for Seattle at noon the nex day. We had an eight hour non-stop flight to Seattle where we changed planes and landed at Vancouver International Airport at 7 p.m. Pacific Daylight time.

After the somewhat trying formalities of passing through customs and immigration, trying because of the heat wave which seemed to have followed us from New York, we were welcomed home by our family and had a great get together until the wee sma' hours.

In spite of the vagaries of the English climate we had no regrets and felt that we had returned from a wonderful trip. All our arrangements had worked out perfectly, good planes, firs class ships and good hotel accommodation. We had seen the places we wished to see, the beautiful English countryside at its springtime best and we had visited our English friends and relatives again. However, it was nice to be home again and to realize that we had the whole of July and August ahead of us to enjoy the usual summer reunion with the numerous members of our family and summer visitors on the beach at Soames Point.

(The End)

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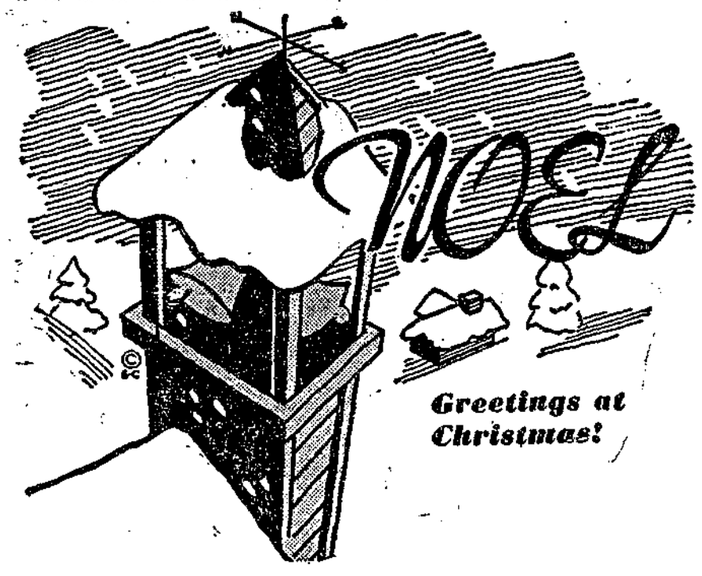

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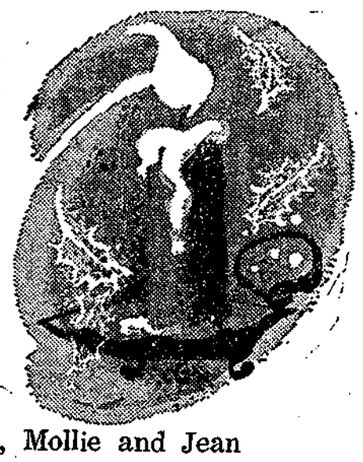
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GREETINGS

Mrs. Wheeler, Granthams Landing, would like to wish all her friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my friends.
Anna Wilander

CARD OF THANKS

Many thanks to our friends and neighbors for their kind enquiries during our recent bereavement. Thanks also to Mr. Oswald, Mr. Harris and Dr. Inglis
Susan Trent and Mr. and Mrs. Dobell.

I wish to thank everyone for their visits, cards, flowers and many kind deeds during my recent illness. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. Mrs. Flo Holland

HELP WANTED

SHORT OF CASH????? Work mornings or afternoons in your own neighborhood. Housewives preferred, no experience necessary, AVON COSMETICS has the earning opportunity. Write Mrs. J. Mulligan, Westsyde, Kamloops. 2-23-1

Woman for housework 3 afternoons a week. Must have transportation. $5 per afternoon. Apply Box 253, Gibsons.

Reliable married man with car to manage established Fuller Brush territory. Earnings above average. Contact G. Welden, 760 Chestnut St. Nanaimo or phone 1870Y4, Nanaimo. tfn.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference last week's ad re Xmas trees, Peninsula TV were not responsible.

Amplifying system for rent. Phone Gibsons 22R. 4-4-c

Chests of drawers, middle slides, $18.50 and up; lawn chairs, screen doors, anything in furniture and cabinets. Saws filed. Galley's Woodworking shop, Gibsons 212W.

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K.M. Bell, 1987 Cornwall St., Vancouver 9, Phone CEdar 0683.

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Your printer is as near as your telephone at 45-Q.

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Sand, gravel & cr. rock.
Special price on gravel fill.
Gibsons 173Q. tfn

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FROM

ALL THE STAFF

ALWAYS A BETTER BUY AT

TOTEM REALTY

Owned and operated by
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Gibsons, B.C.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR WATERFRONT PROPERTY
If so — we have it! Properties in desirable locations on the Peninsula. See
TOM DUFFY, REALTOR
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Member, Vancouver Real Estate Board
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DRUMMOND REALTY
2 apartments for rent.
Always has good buys
Notary Public
Gibsons Phone 39

PROPERTY WANTED

Wanted — Listings of small properties with or without buildings. Have clients waiting for same. If you want to sell, phone us and we will come out and see your property. Totem Realty, Phone 44, Gibsons, B.C.

TO RENT

4 room house with bathroom, oil heat, partially furnished, Granthams. Available Jan. 16. Phone Gibsons 326. 2-18-c

Six bedroom home, in Gibsons, reasonable, some furniture. Might consider reduction rent to handy man for repairs. Details, Totem Realty.

INSURANCE

Fire, Auto, Liability. Prompt courteous service. Totem Realty, Gibsons

MISC. FOR SALE

Sunbeam mixmaster, new; 10 albums classics, mostly violin; 4 pr. boots, new, size 10½. Gibsons 216T. 2-11-p

Oysters are good for you. Fresh they are delicious. Oyster Bay Oyster Co., R. Bremer, Pender Harbour. Phone P.H. 643.

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1 Remington noiseless standard model, $50; 1 Smith-Corona portable, new, reg. price $87.50 quick sale, $60.
New Royal and Remington portables, ribbons, carbon paper, adding machine tape.
Service on adding machines, cash registers, typewriters, and all makes of electric shavers.
COLIN WINGRAVE
Phone GIBSONS 18

Used electric and gas ranges, also oil ranges. C & S Sales, Phone Sechelt 3.

Service Fuels. Large loads, good alder, some fir. Phone Gibsons 173Q.

WANTED

Capital available for investment in mine on Sunshine Coast. Totem Realty, Gibsons.

Used furniture, or what have you? Al's Used Furniture, Gibsons Phone 243.

DIRECTORY

TELEVISION
SALES AND SERVICE
Dependable Service
RICHTER'S RADIO — T-V
Fine Home Furnishings
Major Appliances
Record Bar
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all types
SIM ELECTRIC LTD.
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CHIMNEY & OIL STOVES SERVICED
Gibsons 177K
Phone Collect from Sechelt and Pender Harbour

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Left of Post Office
Gibsons, B.C.
Headquarters for Wool
Phone Gibsons 34F
Notions — Cards — Toys
Miscellaneous Gifts

DIRECTORY (Continued)

John Tom
DAVIS & ROBILLIARD
Sechelt, B.C.
Electrical Contractors
"Do it yourself?"
"We con-du-it best!"
Commercial, Industrial and Residential Wiring and Repairs
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Up to date hair styling
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All Types of Accounting
Problems Expertly Attended
Village Enterprises Bldg.
Sechelt
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Daily
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GARDEN BAY
PENDER HARBOUR
(Next to Lloyd's Store)
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HILL'S MACHINE SHOP
Cold Weld Process
Engine Block Repairs
Arc, Acy. Welding
Precision Machinists
Phone 54 Residence 152

PENINSULA TELEVISION
Radio and TV
SALES & SERVICE
Phone Gibsons 303

A. E. RITCHEY
TRACTOR WORK
Clearing, Grading, Excavating
Bulldozing, Clearing Teeth.
FOR RENT
Arches, Jacks, Pumps
Phone Gibsons 176

Sun-Co Electric Co. Ltd.
For anything electrical
call
Wiring and Heating
We serve the Peninsula
Bob Little, Phone Gibsons 162.

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CUT STONE & SLATE WORK
Ph. Gibsons 217Q
A.R. Simpkins

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Public accountants
Stationery supplies
Photo-copy service
Box 258, Gibsons
Phones: Gibsons (office) 251.
(res) 285
Hours, 8:30 to 5, Mon. to Fri.
or by appointment

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and Salvage
PENINSULA DIVERS
c/o Peninsula Logging Supplies
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A.M. CAMPBELL
REFRIGERATION
SALES AND SERVICE
Commercial Domestic
Wilson Creek
Phone Sechelt 83Q

GIBSONS BUILDING SUPPLIES LTD.
"WE CARRY THE STOCK"
Phone Gibsons 53
LET US HELP YOU
PLAN NOW

C. E. SICOTTE
BULLDOZING SERVICE
Land Clearing
Road Building
Logging — Landscaping
FREE ESTIMATES
Phone 232 — Gibsons

Forester re-elected by Pender Hbr. Legion

Pender Harbour Branch of the Canadian Legion signified approval of Tom Forrester's leadership during the past year by unanimously voting him back into office as president at the annual election of officers.

Under Tom's energetic direction, the branch finances are on a sound footing. His drive and enthusiasm have also resulted in acquisition by the branch of a roomy social and recreational hall, adjoining the Legion H.Q.

This is well on the way to completion, the bulk of the finishing work having been furnished through volunteer labor on the part of Legion members and other well-wishers.

Other officers elected were: First vice-president, George McKinnon, second vice-president, Stan Dickson; executive council, Jim Cameron, Fred Claydon, Charlie Heid, Peter Trappitt and Les Wilkinson.

Branch service officer Fred Claydon reported on the activities of the Poppy fund during the year, outlining briefly the number of ex-servicemen to whom financial assistance had been rendered by the fund. In addition he had been able to secure credits amounting to over $300 on behalf of the widow of an ex-serviceman.

A significant fact pointed up in the service officer's report was that, of the number of ex-servicemen who had received assistance over the year, less than 25 percent were Legion members. A point for Legion critics to ponder!

DIRECTORY (Continued)

CLYDE PARNWELL
SALES T.V. SERVICE
Guaranteed high quality repair service for radio television and electrical equipment
93R Phone 205
GIBSONS

WATER FINDING
Let us find water for you and estimate the depth
CHARLES HAJABACS
Pender Harbour Auto Court
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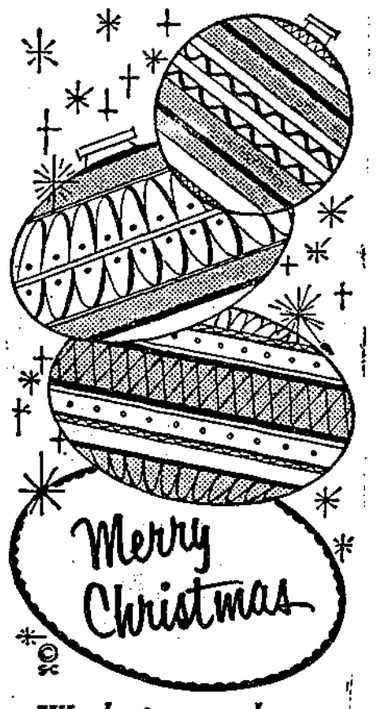
ELECTRIC WIRING
HOME & COMMERCIAL
IMMEDIATE ATTENTION
given all jobs, large or small
NORM MacPHERSON
Gibsons 296F
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

RENEE'S SPORTSWEAR & LINGERIE SHOP
Gibsons 41R
CHILDREN'S WEAR
KITTEN & DALKEITH SWEATERS

NEW SERVICE
Combination loader and ditch digger. Excavations, Culverts
Bulldozing and gravel fill
FRANK WHITE
Phone Pender Harbour 743



We hope you have a happy holiday!
Ralph and Margaret
Smith's Heating Service

GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
Sechelt Men's Wear

Kinsmen draw

Kinsman Christmas Charities Draw winners were: $50 Canada Savings Bond to Joe O'Brien; $25 Gift Certificate for Gibsons Hardware to Bud Moore sr., $10 Gift Certificate for Marine Men's Wear to Oscar Johnson, and $5 in cash to D. MacMurchy of 4012 W. 38th, Vancouver and to Jim Swan of Port Mellon.

The draw was held on Thurs. Dec. 18 at the last meeting of the year, when Kinettes served a wonderful game dinner to the Kinsmen. Kin members thank all who supported the fund to aid less fortunate people at Christmas time.

SPCA hears executive report

The local branch of the S.P.C.A. held a committee meeting Dec. 16 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlin, Reid Rd. Gibsons. The main purpose of the meeting was to report on an executive meeting of the parent body recently held in Vancouver.

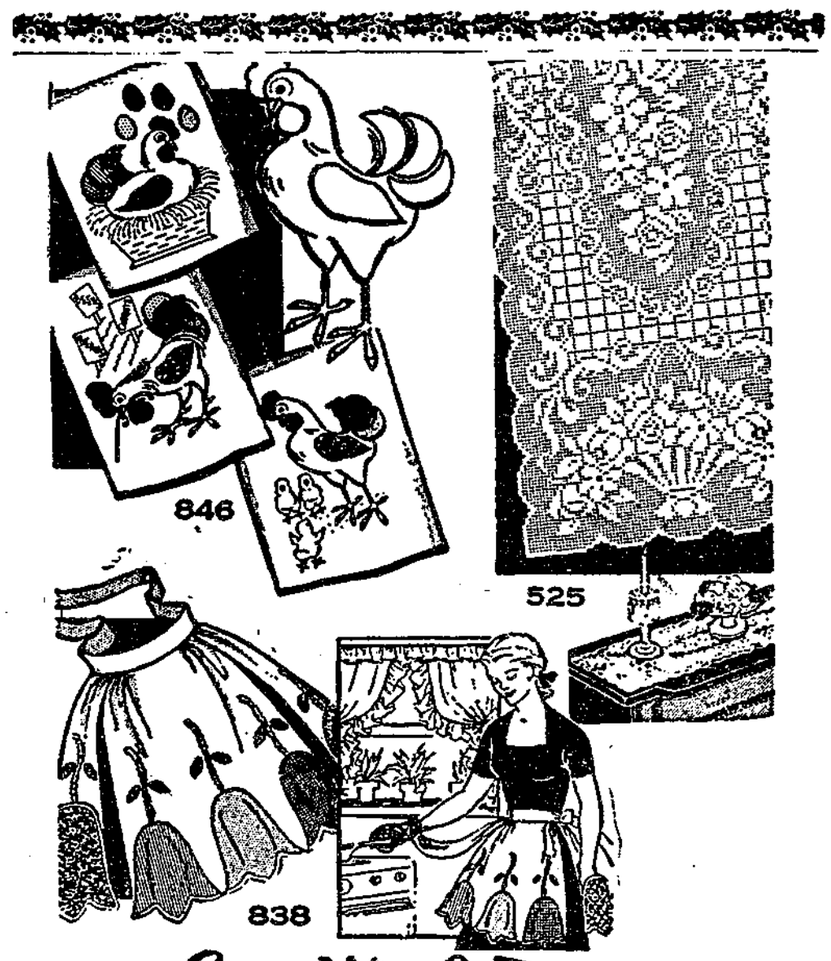
One resolution drafted dealt with the urgent necessity of having bonded warehouses at all points of entry for the purpose of sheltering unclaimed animals which are dutiable coming into this country.

Mr. Stratton, chairman of the humane slaughter committee stated that a new bill will be introduced in parliament at the next session and he felt that in January next as much pressure as possible should be put on M.P.'s and every form of publicity possible given to this bill in order to ensure its passing.

Mr. Hughes reported on recent developments in humane trapping and the formation of a committee consisting of a professor of zoology at UBC; Mr. Stratton, Chief biologist of the game commission; Dr. Weeks of Ontario and Mr. Hughes together with a representative from the Association for the Protection of Fur Bearing Animals.

This committee has approved a program to test the efficacy of the new Conibear trap in three areas, B.C. Coastal range, Mackenzie delta and northern Ontario. An anonymous donation of $5,000 has been received for the furtherance of this work.

Greetings
Our Sincere Best
Wishes for a Happy
Holiday to Each of You!
Kitty and Oskar Hansen
BLACK AND WHITE STORE
Gibsons

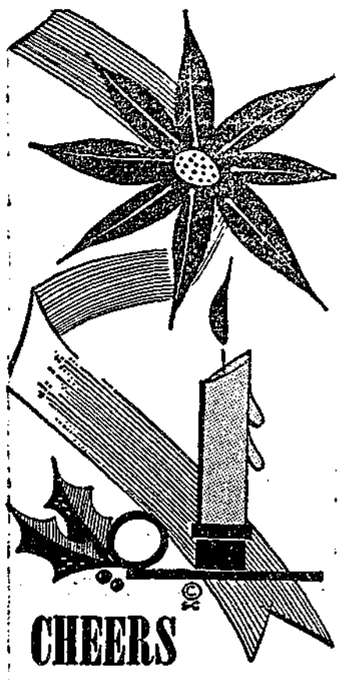


Laura Wheeler Designs

525 — FILET CROCHET SCARF and PLACE MAT in flower and basket design. Crochet directions, chart for scarf in 3 lengths in No. 30, 50, 70 cotton; place mat in No. 70 cotton.
846 — CHIC CHICKS make dish-drying fun, brighten every day's routine. Easy embroidery; add color with applique if you wish. Transfer of 4 motifs 8 x 11 inches; pattern of patches.
838 — TULIP APRON has pair of potholders for practicality. Applique tulips in a garden of colors for a pretty touch. Transfer of tulip applique. directions for apron and 2 potholders.

Send Thirty-five cents (coins) for each pattern (stamps cannot be accepted) to Coast News, Household Arts Dept., 60 Front St. West. Toronto. Ont. Print Plainly NAME, ADDRESS, PATTERN NUMBER.

A NEW 1959 Laura Wheeler Needlecraft Book. JUST OUT, has lovely designs to order: embroidery, crochet, knitting, weaving, quilting, toys. In the book a special surprise to make a little girl happy — a cut-out doll, clothes to color. Send 25 cents for this book.



CHEERS

A bright Christmas to our many friends!

Don and Marg Hauka

Gibsons Electric

To each of our many friends, we wish a very happy Yuletide season.

Gwen Fretter and Staff

THE DUTCH BOY

GIBSONS

WISHES SO GAY— WE SEND YOU TODAY!

Alex and Murray

GIBSONS AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

May this Christmas be but another happy marker along the road of a good life!

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JACK MARSHALL

MARSHALL PLUMBING & HEATING

GIBSONS

Wishing you a bright and shining holiday!

JACK CLEMENT

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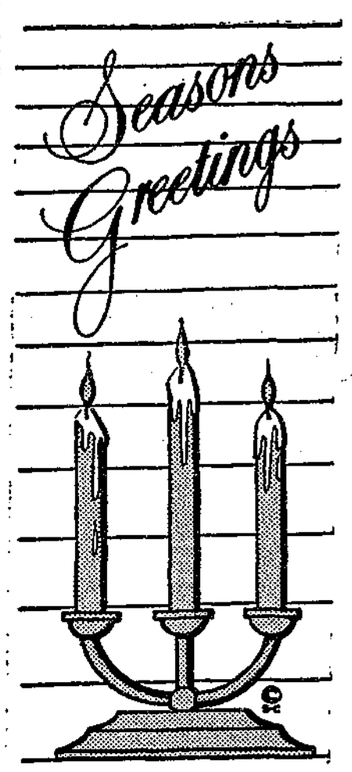
May all the joys of this Holiday Season be yours!

Renee's Sportswear and Lingerie Shop

GIBSONS



N. Richard McKibbin

INSURANCE

GIBSONS

Extending to you our warmest and most sincere wishes for THE MERRIEST CHRISTMAS, EVER!

George and Bill

HILL'S MACHINE SHOP

GIBSONS

"DECK THE HALLS"

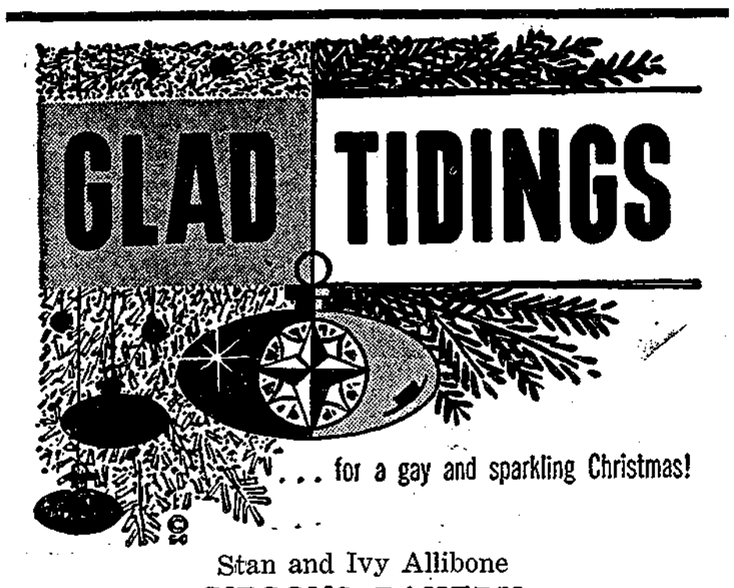
We hope your home and heart will be filled with laughter, joy and good will this glad Holiday season—

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Board of Directors and Staff

ELPHINSTONE CO-OP ASS.

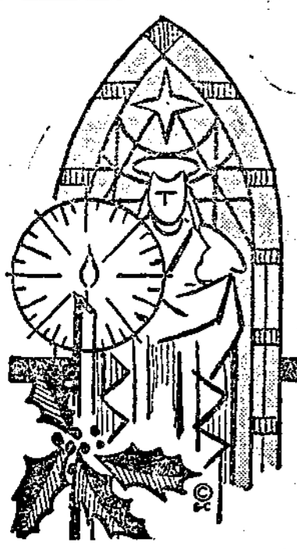
GIBSONS



... for a gay and sparkling Christmas!

Stan and Ivy Allibone

GIBSONS BAKERY



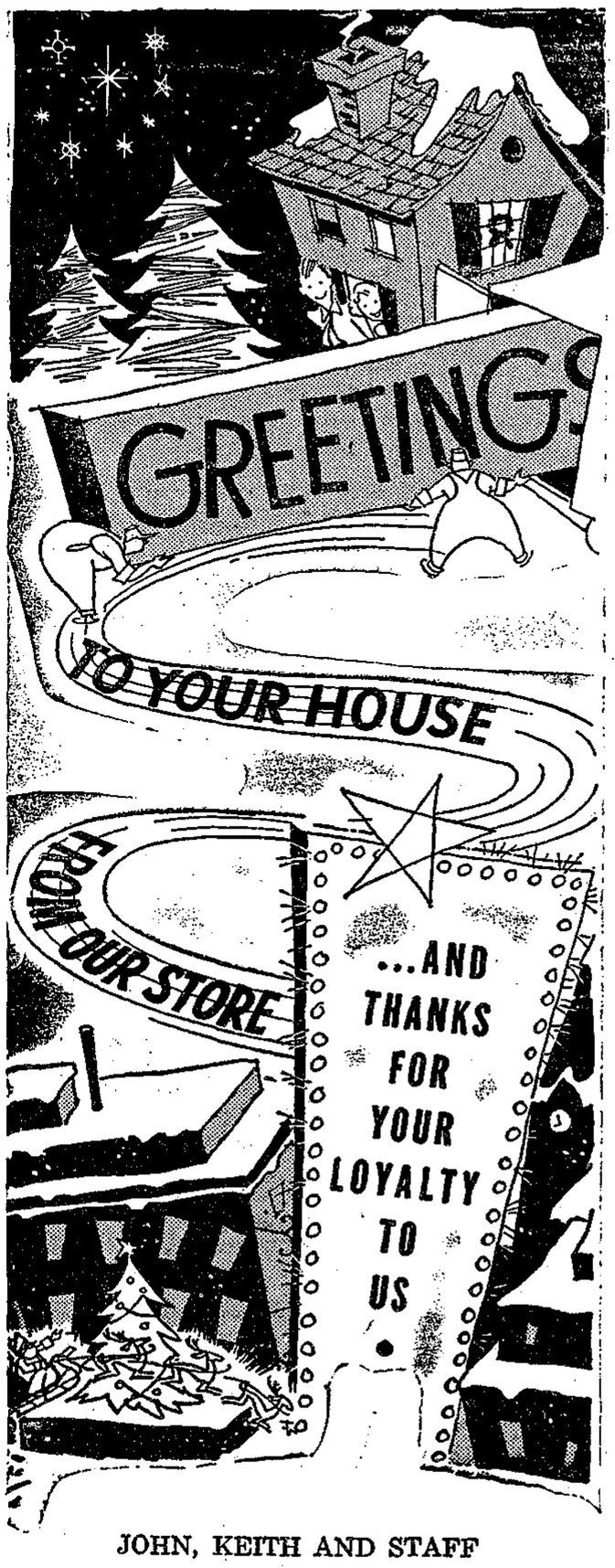
Christmas Blessings

All the joys of the season.

G. R. MUTRIE

OPTOMETRIST

GIBSONS



JOHN, KEITH AND STAFF

SUPERVALU STORE

GIBSONS

Our Christmas Wishes

Like the star that guided the shepherds and wise men, may the love and glittering light of the Season make this Christmas your happiest!

John, Kay Wood and Staff

GIBSONS

Our entire staff wishes you a very merry, merry Christmas

Jo and Harry Mylroie

PENINSULA CLEANERS

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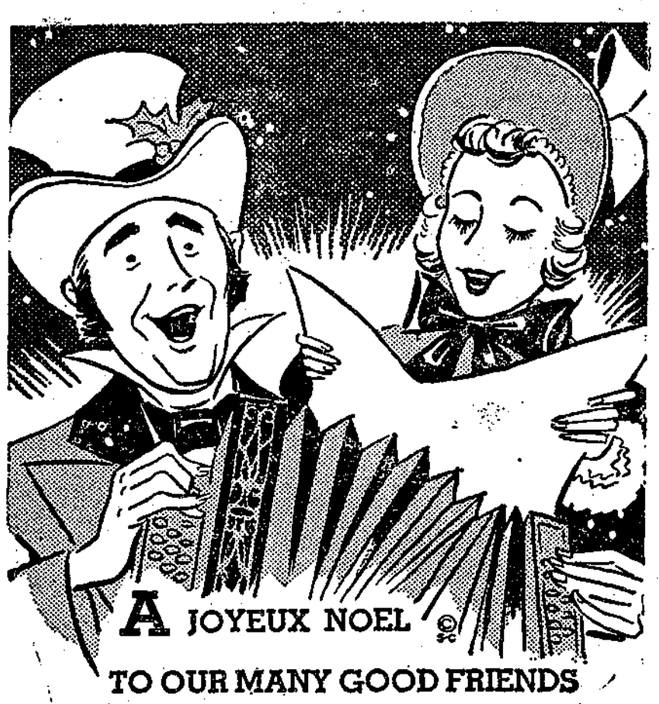
EVA LYONS
THE TOGGERY



TO OUR MANY GOOD FRIENDS
AND LOYAL CUSTOMERS!
Management and Staff
SECHELT MOTOR TRANSPORT LTD.

Just Coming Around to Say—
"Have a Gay Holiday...!"
THE CLAYTONS AND STAFF
TOMBOY STORE
SECHELT

Jack, Lee and Staff
SECHELT SERVICE STORE

Norm and Frank
SECHELT LOCKERS

YULE GREETINGS
...best wishes and much joy we send to you, our patrons and friends!

Tom Duffy and Staff
SECHELT INSURANCE AGENCIES

CLIFF'S SHELL SERVICE
SECHELT

SANTA'S ON HIS WAY!

Have the merriest, most wonderful Christmas ever!
JOE BENNER
SECHELT CONTRACTORS

A Sincere Wish for a Merry Christmas — and, Thank You to Our Customers!

STANDARD MOTORS and STAFF
SECHELT
YOUR FORD — EDSEL — MONARCH DEALER

OUR BRIGHTEST WISHES WE SEND TO YOU!

THE STAFF
SECHELT BOWLING ALLEYS

May your holiday abound with lasting happiness—
And your heart be filled with the greatest gladness.
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Chris, Andy, Vi, Gladys, Wendy, Jenny, Louie and Anne

Chris' Jewelers
Chris' Variety Store
SECHELT

LETTERS to editor

Editor: May I say how much I am enjoying Mr. Humphries' well written articles on his travels in Great Britain. This series has certainly added interest to your paper for me.

We take Coast News because we are interested in the Peninsula and spend what time we can at Pender Harbour in particular. However, one gets tired of catalogues of who went where from 'Tiny's Cove.!

Some of your editorial notes deserve a thank you too.

(Mrs.) Monica Holliday.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

At the annual meeting of the Gibsons Memorial United church Women's Association, Mrs. William W. Duncan was re-elected for another term. Mrs. J. Johnson, first vice-president; Mrs. J.A. Wicklund, recording secretary and Mrs. C. Chamberlin, corresponding secretary.

Gibsons group annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. R.A. McNab, Dec. 12. Mrs. Norman McKenzie was elected president; Mrs. J. Warwick, vice-president, Mrs. Forbes, secretary and Mrs. A.E. Newman, treasurer.

HAMPER WINNER

St. Mary's Altar Society hamper was won by Mrs. Grace Chamberlin, Gibsons.

The observance of the coming holiday brings with it our sincerest wish for your happiness.

Thanks for your Patronage

Doris' Beauty Parlor

TO ALL
MERRY XMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR
and
LANG MAY YOUR LUM REEK
from
DUFF'S FUELS
Wilson Creek — Phone SECHELT 78F

WANT ADS ARE REAL SALESMEN

Hilltop Building Supplies
&
Smith & Peterson Construction

CLOSED

FOR STAFF HOLIDAYS

From Dec. 29 to Jan. 3

INCLUSIVE

SECHELT THEATRE

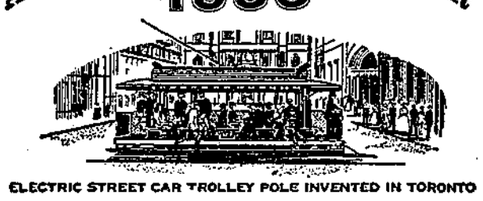
FRI., SAT., DEC. 26 & 27
ONE SHOW ONLY — 8 p.m.
GLYNIS JOHNS — CAMERON MITCHELL
"ALL MINE TO GIVE"
TECHNICOLOR
A Xmas Story You Must See

MON., TUES., DEC. 29 & 30
PHIL ABBOT — RICHARD EYER
"INVISIBLE BOY"

REGULAR ADMISSION

Wed., Thurs. Dec. 31 & Jan. 1
THEATRE CLOSED

A DISTINGUISHED YEAR
1883



ELECTRIC STREET CAR TROLLEY POLE INVENTED IN TORONTO

A DISTINGUISHED WHISKY

Another notable achievement in 1883 was the creation of the distinguished Canadian Rye Whisky, Seagram's "83". Generations of Canadians since 1883 have enjoyed the distinctive flavour and bouquet of this fine whisky.

Seagram's "83" Canadian Whisky

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Some tempting chowders

Most varieties of fish fillets are suitable for making chowder. If skin is present, it should be removed and if the fillets are frozen, they should be allowed to thaw sufficiently to enable them to be cut up. Janet's Fish Chowder is a hearty, nourishing dish which is equally delicious made with fresh or smoked fillets. A big steaming bowlful makes a simple meal. A cupful makes a good beginning to a meal having several courses.

Janet's Fish Chowder

1 pound fish fillets, fresh or smoked.
¾ cup chopped onion
2 tablespoons butter.
½ cup chopped celery
2 cups diced raw potatoes.
½ cup thinly sliced carrots
2 cups boiling water
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
2 cups milk
Chopped parsley

Cut fillets into bite-sized pieces. Melt butter in a large saucepan. Cook onion and celery in butter until limp. Add potatoes, carrots, water, salt and pepper. Cover and simmer until vegetables are tender. Add fish and simmer 10 minutes longer. Add milk; reheat to simmering temperature, but do not allow to boil. Serve piping hot with a little parsley sprinkled over the top. Makes 6 servings.

Of all the seafood chowders, clam chowder is one of the most popular. Certainly it is the most controversial. For years a battle has raged up and down the Atlantic seacoast as to whether this chowder should be made with milk or canned tomatoes. Both versions are hearty, delicious and satisfying, say the fisheries home economists, but see for yourself. First a word of caution. Shucked clams, fresh and also canned are sometimes sandy. To make sure all the grit is removed, drain the clams, rinse them well, and strain the clam liquid through several layers of fine cheese cloth.

Down East Clam Chowder

Canned clams (20 ounces total undrained weight)
¼ cup chopped fat bacon (3 strips)
½ cup chopped onion
1 cup diced potatoes
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
2 cup liquid (clam liquid plus water)
2 cups rich milk
1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley.

Drain clams and save liquid. Chop if desired. Fry bacon until crisp and brown. Remove scraps from pan and set aside. Add diced potatoes, seasonings, and clam liquor mixed with water to make required 2 cups of liquid. Cover and simmer until potatoes are tender. Add clams and milk. Bring to simmering temperature but do not boil. Garnish with bacon scraps and chopped parsley sprinkled over the top. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Manhattan Clam Chowder

Canned clams (20 ounces total undrained weight)
½ cup finely diced fat salt pork
1 cup diced potatoes
2 cups water
1 can (20 ounces) tomatoes
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
⅛ teaspoon thyme

Chop clams, if desired. Fry pork scraps in a large saucepan until crisp and brown. Add onion and cook until limp. Add potatoes and water. Cover, bring to simmering temperature and simmer until potatoes are tender. Add canned tomatoes, clam liquid, clams and seasonings; mix well. Heat to simmering temperature. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

SAFETY FILM

A safety film, jointly sponsored by the Optimist clubs of the Pacific northwest, the South Vancouver Island Rangers and the photographic branch of the Department of Recreation and Conservation, to show the dangers of handling explosives, inflammable materials and firearms, will go into production early in 1959.

Gibsons Social Welfare Club

BINGO

Legion Hall 8 p.m. — MONDAY, DEC. 29

V. L. A. MEETING

will be held latter half of January, exact date will be announced.

All Legionaires who wish to qualify under the Veterans Land Act should communicate with

The Secretary — CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH No. 109
GIBSONS

SPECIAL

Xmas Day Dinner

4.00 to 8.00 p.m.

$2.50 per plate

Half Portions for Children

PHONE FOR RESERVATIONS

Holiday Geeetings to all our Friends and Patrons

Peninsula Hotel

Phone GIBSONS 70R

NOEL

OUR GREETINGS TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS . . .

SOLNIK'S SERVICE STATION
Sechelt Highway

"PEACE ON EARTH"

This - the eternal message to the world - rings out at Christmas!

ROBERTS CREEK CREDIT UNION

ART MORROW, Montreal orchestra leader, is at home among musical instruments — he plays more than a dozen of them, in spite of being a self-taught musician. What's more he boasts the biggest jazz-band in Canada, with 21 sidemen. He has a half-hour show, Meet Mr. Morrow, each Wednesday afternoon on the Trans-Canada network of CBC radio.

Big frosted candles a favorite decoration

Big, frosted candles, used as a table centre or on the mantle are a favorite decoration during the holiday season. Here's how you can make some just as lovely as any of the beauties the stores are offering this year.

For one large centrepiece (about six inches high and five in diameter) you need six cakes of ordinary preserving wax and a piece of heavy cord for the wick.

Put two cakes of wax for the frosting in a large pot and place pot over just enough heat to melt the paraffin.

The square body of the candle is formed by the other four blocks of wax standing on end. In the centres of the middle two blocks gouge out troughs to hold the wick and with the wick in place seal the four blocks together by dipping the flat sides in the melted wax.

Now take the melted wax off the heat and let it cool slightly. With an egg-beater or electric mixer, beat it until all the liquid looks like whipped soap suds. Working quickly, cover the four sides with the wax frosting. (If it hardens in the pan you'll just have to melt it and whip it over aain!) To prevent the wax from dripping when the candle is burning, build up the outer edge at the top to form a fairly deep basin around the wick.

When the wax is soft, the candles can be decorated with sprigs of holly, a cluster of bells, some glitter powder or a ribbon bow.

By the way, if you're looking for a small gift for a friend or a neighbor, Christmas candles are just the thing.

Library books

The following books have been added to the Gibsons Public Library:

Non Fiction

Campbell: The Heart of India.
Whishaw: As Far as You'll Take Me.
Fraser: Once Round the Sun.
Heyerdahl: Aka-Aku.
McGivern: Mention My Name in Mombasa.
Balchen: Come North With Me.

Fiction

Hayes: The Hours After Midnight.
Kubly: Varieties of Love.
O'Brien: As Music and Splendor.
York: Sight of Death.
Moore: September Moon.
Llewellyn: Chez Pavan.
Bankowsky: A Glass Rose.
Randall: Deadly the Daring.
Gardner: The Case of the Foot-Loose Doll.
Keyes: Victorine.
Marquand: Women and Thomas Harrow.
Boulle: The Other Side of the Coin.
Warnke: The Narrow Lyre.
Yerby: The Serpent and the Staff.
Shute: The Rainbow and the Rose.
Lawrence: The Ring of Truth
Maurois: September Roses.
Dennis: Around the World With Auntie Mame.
Kantor: The Work of Saint Francis.
Hurst: Anatomy of Me.

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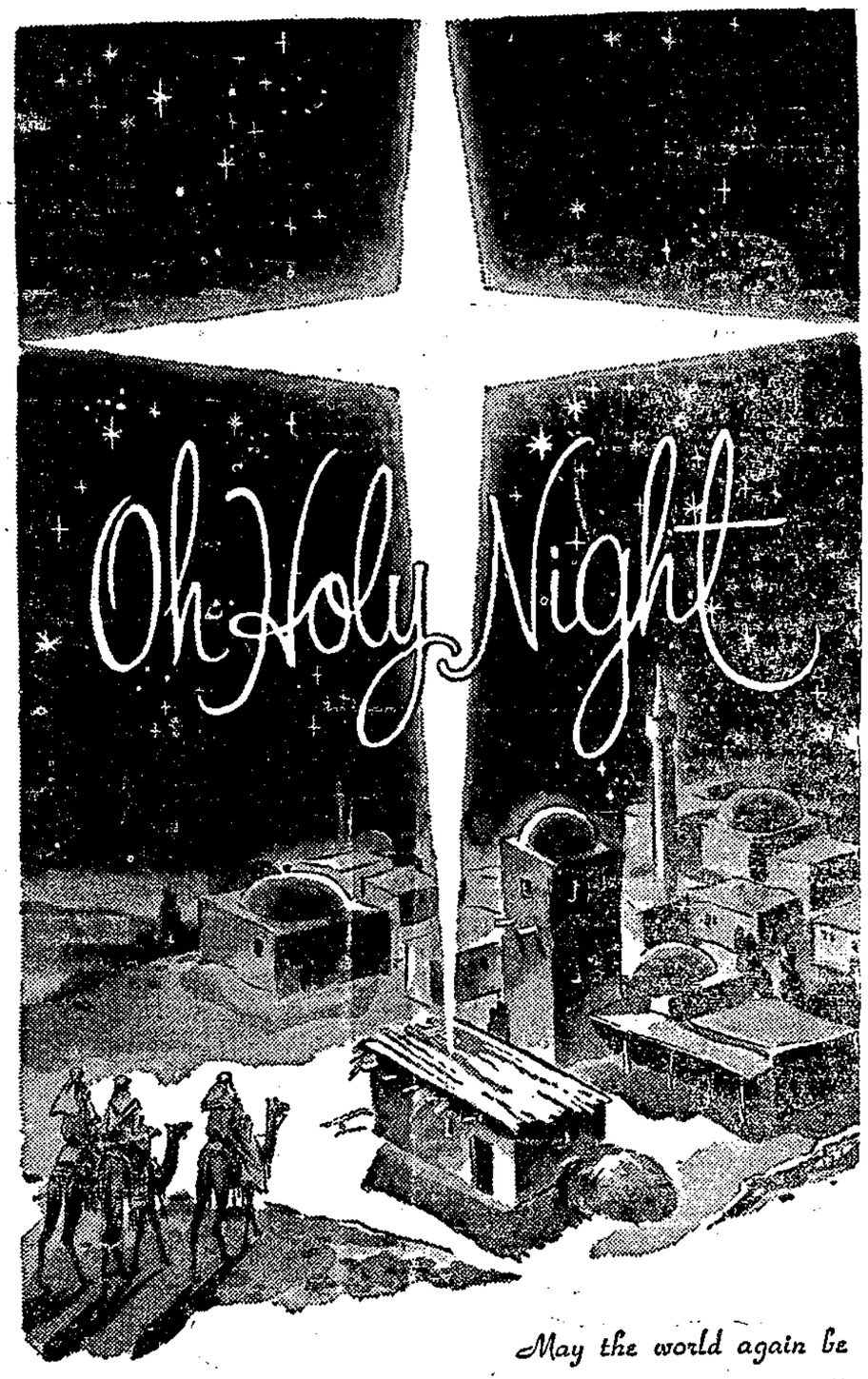

May the world again be blessed by the beautiful message of peace and good will that was born in the little town of Bethlehem so long ago.

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Labor-management topic for Logger convention

An expert on British labor management relations will be a guest speaker at B.C.s biggest industrial convention in Vancouver next month.

E.H.C. "Ted" Leather, a former Canadian now serving as a Conservative member of the British House of Commons, will address the opening day luncheon of the Truck Loggers' Association's 16th annual meeting..

The convention which will be attended by some 1500 loggers and guests from B.C. and the Pacific Northwest will be held in Hotel Vancouver Jan. 14, 15 and 16.

Challenge of Today's Markets" and the major problems facing B.C.'s No. 1 industry will be discussed by experts from home and abroad.

Mr. Leather will arrive here by air on Jan. 11 and will speak to several other Vancouver groups, including the Board of Trade's Ad and Sales Bureau

His address to the Truck Loggers will cover "The Responsibility of Labor and Management in Relation to Export Production."

To the Ad and Sales Bureau, he will speak on "The Principal Causes of Industrial Peace and the Reasons for Industrial Unrest in the United Kingdom.'

Mr. Leather who was born in Toronto went to Britain with the Canadian Army in 1940.

He entered British politics in the general election of 1945; won the North Somerset seat for the Conservatives in 1950 and retained it by increased majorities in elections in 1951 and 1955.

Mr. Leather, who is in business in London with a firm of insurance and banking brokers, has taken a keen interest for years in British trade union affairs.

He also was chairman of a group of Conservative backbenchers who published a pamphlet entitled 'A new approach on party policy toward trade unions and their place in the new industrial conditions."

Turkeys won at shoot

Sechelt Peninsula Rod and Gun Club held a successful shoot on Sunday afternoon at their Wilson Creek grounds.

Those who were accurate or lucky enough to take home turkeys were Ted Osborne jr., lucky target and snipe shooting; Bud Fearnley, centre fire large rifle and miss and out; Harry Batchelor, lucky target; Frank Forgenson, large rifle centre fire and miss and out; Earnie Sylvie, eight and better elimination; Steve Littlejohn, .22 bull's eye; Pete Jorgensen, dice; Jack Clements, .22 bull's eye; Austin Moorecroft, centre fire free-hand; Mrs. Mabel McDermid, lucky target and Graham West, dice.

At the annual meeting the officers for 1959 elected were President, Dan Currie; vice-president, Harry Batchelor; secretary treasurer, William Rankin; directors, Bud Fearnley, Austin Moorecroft, Mrs. Beatrice Rankin and Lou Fox.

Continued support of the community in the club's projects is anticipated.

PENDER HARBOUR

By JUDITH FLETCHER

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cook of Coburn Bay are spending a few days in Pender Harbour.

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Harry Brown of Sinclair Bay is in Vancouver for a few days.

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Cecil Reid, Jr. has returned from a business trip to Vancouver.

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Oliver Dubois of Kleindale was a recent visitor to Vancouver.

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Nels Hanson, who has been living at Redonda Beach, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hanson of Middle point.

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Miss Sharon Shaughnessy of Irvines Landing is receiving congratulations upon winning second prize of $50 for her essay on forest products, sponsored by the B.C. Pulp and Paper Association. Others from the Pender Harbuor area receiving recognition prizes were Miss Derelys Donley, Miss Solveigh Bremer,, and Ronnie Brooks.

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Walter Foster of Vancouver has been in the Harbour for the past couple of days.

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Gordon Klein of Kleindale has left for a trip to Vancouver.

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Doug Rusk of Vancouver is in Garden Bay for a few days.

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John Daly has returned to his home in Garden Bay after a few days in Vancouver.

. . . To all our many wonderful friends!

Dan Currie and Bill Swain

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RON McSAVANEY,

Your TOASTMASTER Representative

Irritable Friend describes church board meeting

By J.A. Davidson in the United Church Observer

My Irritable Friend is fundamentally a kindly soul. Last summer when I moved from the churchly cosiness of southeastern Ontario to the chilly isolation of Fort Churchill, up on the sub-Arctic tundra, he told that he would do his bit toward keeping me in the picture on some of the things going on down in civilization that I wouldn't hear about otherwise.

He has kept his word, and recently I received from him a curious document, a letter of sorts that during a recent meeting of his presbytery he had surreptitiously scribbled with a blunt pencil on the back of a copy of the agenda. I daren't (for his sake) quote the whole letter — but the following extracts will show why, here in my isolation from presbytery meetings and other delights of civilized church life, I can still feel that I am one with the brethren down on the 'outside.'

"The Old Fixer has already pole-axed the new chairman by challenging him on a ruling he made re the Roll of Presbytery. Chairman backpaddled. Old Fixer instructed him on the proper ruling — then turned around (he always sits near the front) and gave us all that toothy smile that says, 'We've got this boy under control already.' I sometimes suspect that the Old Fixer has secretly had his calves measured for gaiters.

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"Dr. Granite. out from Toronto HQ, addressed us on the Project. He began, chummily, We fellows at headquarters are there only to serve you fellows out here at the Church's grassroots . . .' That grassroots play always causes us grassroots boys to suspect that a gilded ecclesiastical brick is about to be offered to us at a bargain price. Still, old Granny is a good fellow, and it was good to see him again.

"Lunch from the W.A. Had a chat with the W.A. president. Charming lady. Said, 'There's always a nice profit in presbytery meetings.' Frank lady, too. What are they doing to the scalloped spuds these days — sprinkling them with a plastic? They always seem to be awfully chewy. 'Keep your forks, please' — I do like to hear that cry, for it always means good homemade pie. Pie is never good in those snobbish two-fork churches.

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"Bleeter is on his feet protesting the timidity of our temperance resolution. He says we have compromised with evil. He says that when the 'likker' interests see our resolution they will rub their sinful hands and chuckle with fiendish glee. I don't think you've met Bleeter. You must meet him sometime. He has a proposal for making the whole country dry — I think he wants to do it by showing small children lantern-slides of cirrhotic livers.

" Jumbo Binks is now pepping us up on Christian Education. He reported on the success of Camp Snuggum-Buggum modelled a Tyro cap for us, and now he's being very intense over something called 'group dynamics' which I don't understand but am assured will revolutionize the Sunday School.

"I think I must have slept through the reports of the Property and Radio Committees which I am sure were fascinating. The Old Fixer is now point-of-ordering again at the Chairman: it's about the motion to adjourn. Shortly we shall sing one fast verse of 'Blest Be the Tie,' the chairman will pronounce the benediction, and, having been properly group-dynamized, we shall all go back to our grassrooted charges. Sic transit gloria presbytery.

"I do hope that up there on the dreary barrens you will find inspiration and comfort in these notes."

Inspiration, old pal? Comfort? Oh my yes!

Christina, Betty and Billie

TASELLA SHOPPE

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Items about many things

Excluding teeth, a horse's skeleton contains approximately 216 bones.

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A temperature of 189 degrees in the shade has been recorded in Libya North Africa.

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Tasmania, which is about half the size of Florida, has a shoreline of 900 miles.

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Abraham Lincoln's ancestors came from Hingham in Norfolk county, England.

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More than one-half of the continent of Europe is less than 600 feet above sea level.

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Most of William Shakespeare's plays were performed at the Globe thearte.

The average path of a tornado is about 30 miles long and 1,000 feet wide.

The dragontree of the Canary islands produces a very dark red resin.

Letters to the editor

Editor: As a frequent reader of your interesting paper and a property owner at Gower Point, I was amazed to read a letter signed by R.W. (Ran) Vernon, referring to the supposed objection of Gower Point property owners to a scow loading basin at the mouth of Chaster Creek.

Mr. Harry Chaster was quite correct in stating that he expressed the views of the property owners in the affected area.

Before commenting on the proposed development, it might be of interest to your readers, who may be giving consideration to signing a petition, that upon request of many of the worried property owners I took the problem to the department of lands, Victoria, and interviewed the minister; this, incidently was after notices of intention to apply for a lease of the foreshore had been posted. You may imagine my surprise to learn that at the time no application for lease had been applied for, and did raise the question as to "whether the project of a gravel development was a promotional scheme or a bonafide well-financed undertaking, able to carry out its commitments in accordance with blue print plans prior to shipping its first scow of gravel?"

The provincial overnment has recently enacted legislation that reserves foresnore property on lakes and coast for the enjoyment of the public. It was upon this legislation that objection has been registered with the minister of lands and forests.

The minister quite rightly has given his assurance that there will be no Crown lease without a full investigation of the intended project, and an interview by his department with the affected property owners.

I question if this enquiry will go as far afield as the present petition now being circulated by the promoters.

I would not presume to write this letter if I were not interested in the development of the Peninsula area. I have watched with pride and pleasure its development each year since 1914, and possessing some knowledge of the gravel production business, have no hesitation in stating that the desecration of the foreshore to the detriment of more and more permanent and retired residents will not enhance the economic welfare of the Peninsula area.

It is very understandable why Ran Vernon would attempt to disparage Harry Chaster's letter, particularly if R. W. Vernon is the owner of the land upon which a 20-year supply of gravel is deposited. To finance such a development as is now dangled before the eyes of Gibsons businessmen, the monthly production in tonnage or yardage would have to be considerable. Upon that basis alone, either by the sale of land or a royalty payment, Mr. R.W. Vernon, the author of the letter, has a good many dollars at stake, and therefore is the wrong man to attack Harry Chaster, who after all was speaking on behalf of the property owners affected.

No one, least of all myself, can blame Ran Vernon for wanting to sell his land and yet keep it, but I sincerely suggest this can be done by trucking his graded material to the loading facilities at the Government wharf in Gibsons.

If the developers are prepared to pay the recognized tonmile rate to the truck owners in the area, which in turn will allow union wages for the drivers, the Peninsula area will gain more, and the developers will still be able to compete in the gravel market and the public and affected property owners will not be inconvenienced.

The boat harbour and beach offered as a sop, has been considered many times, and forced to be abandoned because of the heavy westerly storms, creating drift log jams. The old shingle bolt wharf and the government jetty were both taken out by westerly gales. This phase of the project no doubt will be considered by the intended developers when dealing with the promoters.

The foregoing letter has been submitted to present the other side of the story to your readers who have now been drawn into a local dispute, not opposing the development of a gravel processing plant. On the contrary, how shall it be operated to provide the greatest good to the whole community?

Halford D. Wilson

Editor: The Stamp Collectors' Club at Pender Harbour Junior - Senior High School have an outlet for cancelled Canadian stamps of any denomination. We would like to raise some funds for our club by selling these by the pound, so a great number must be collected.

If any readers or businesses would save corners of envelopes bearing the cancelled stamps for us, we will certainly appreciate it. We should like to have them before the end of January. If anyone wants to have stamps picked up, they could phone the school and this could possibly be arranged. Parcels could be mailed to the Secretary, Pender Harbour High School Stamp Club, Madeira Park, B.C.

Frederick Shaughnessy,
Grade 8.

Editor: We are nearing the end of the year and in this festive season, making merry and sending greetings to our friends, I feel it is a good time to acknowledge and send thanks to folks like yourself and your readers.

Through your newspaper columns you have performed the vital task of keeping people in the community informed on the work of Red Cross services. Without this important assistance our work could not continue. We depend upon your help to "keep the Red Cross ready."

Please allow me, on behalf of the executive of the British Columbia Division Canadian Red Cross, to thank you and all citizens in your community, for supporting the Red Cross through this year. May 1959 be peaceful and prosperous for you all.

F.R. Killam,
President,
British Columbia Division.

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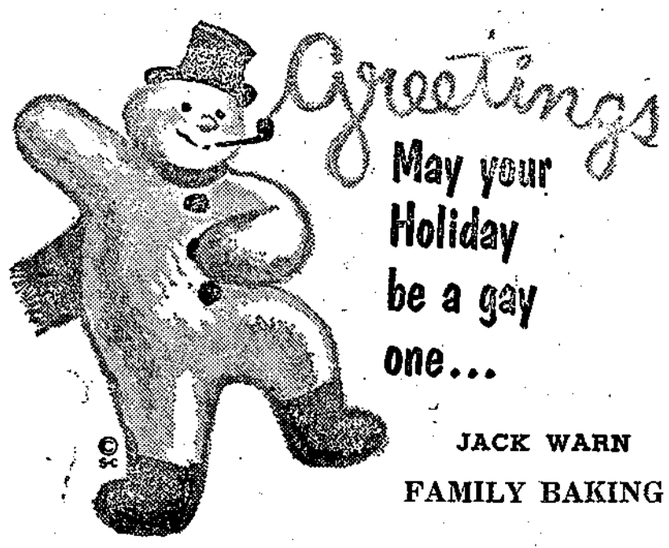

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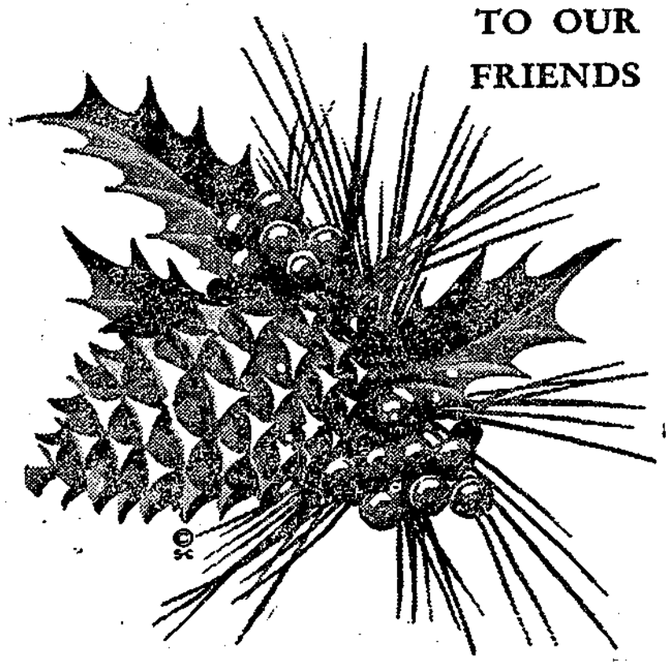
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King of Grandview had sense of responsibility

John Bennett has answered the last call. The following memoir, written some 15 years ago by one of his close associates, presents facets of his typically British personality which will be of interest to his many friends.

There was a bustling exodus from the street car when it halted at a busy intersection. The alderman descended smartly and, despite his nearly 70 years, made a dash for a street car 100 yards distant which would convey him to the vicinity of his home, situated in the Grandview district. He is very proud of the locality in which he resides, and an appropriate local title for him would be "The King of Grandview."

At the close of the last century in the rough pioneer days, he answered the call of the Klondyke, and spent some years in the Yukon territory, a far cry from his native Lancashire. He still has a marked accent, and uses the local idioms, picturesquely ungrammatical, that often distinguish those whose educational advantages have been limited.

He has a keen intelligence, and has applied it successfully to the study of civic affairs. He is conscientious to a fault, and lends a ready ear to the complaints, solicitations and suggestions of all citizens who approach him. His fame as a patient listener has spread, and while at home, seated at his dining-table, he is subjet to the importunities of personal callers and of those who use the telephone to gain his attention. His supper may be spoilt, but his equanimity is seldom disturbed: he feels that he owes something to his constituents!

He is a football devotee and, after a busy week attending to his aldermanic duties, he is usually to be found, encouraging his favorite team to "play oop."

Recently he lost his wife, a heavy blow to a man getting up in years who had an exceptionally helpful and affectionate partner: one who watched with pride his progress in public esteem and who helped him in many ways to save time and preserve temper.

She kept a faithful record of all his engagements and, although he was often absent from home, attending gatherings of one kind and another, he discussed them with her just as a business man discusses intimate matters with his partners or aides. In that fashion she followed his career day by day, and his talks with her regarding the many meetings, conferences and encounters in which he was involved, formed an essential part of the pattern of his way of life; now so rudely disturbed by the absence of his unofficial secretary.

The alderman enjoys a bit of shopping at the butcher's or baker's in his kingdom, with some gossip thrown in. He has never driven a car, and it is somewhat ironical that a lengthy touring holiday in a friend's car in the hot summer, in which his wife participated, immediately preceded, and probably aggravated, the illness which carried her off. The alderman, owing to his keen sense of public duty, is not unduly down-hearted and, while his grasp occasionally weakens, he is putting up a good fight to banish the sense of loss.

He is a member of fraternal and other organizations, enjoys platform appearances, loves to meet all and sundry, and invariably receives a heavy vote at civic elections. He is too cautious to do anything that would jeopardise his electoral support; but, when any question of principle is involved, his hair and eyebrows bristle, his eyes flash, and his rather husky voice thunders in denunciation of the thing that displeases him, or in support of the cause that he upholds. While his habitual attitude of caution is due chiefly due to his desire to be fair and tolerant, he would not wantonly throw away the chance of securing a vote by being brusque or disobliging; but, when any moral issue is involved, he stands foursquare and defies the devil. He as been well named "Honest John."

His sense of responsibility is strong, aldermanic duties provide a perennial interest, and there is no time for grieving. Just as a man may come to regard himself as indispensabe to a firm of industrial enterprise, so does John feel that his co-operation in all civic affairs is vital to the proper guidance of the City's business. He is convinced that his opinion has a definite value and he would be distressed if, during any short absence from the City Hall, some matter of policy were decided without his having been given an opportunity of expressing his views to his colleagues.

A recent electoral triumph has proved a splendid stimulant to his spirits. He is assured of continuance in office for a further period of two years. His room, his desk, his telephone, his filing cabinets, his many clients, his committees, will continue to provide a wealth of interest, and the opportunity further to serve the city of his adoption.

Long live the King of Grandview!

In recent years, more than 70 percent of all expenditures for private productive facilities in the United States have gone for equipment.

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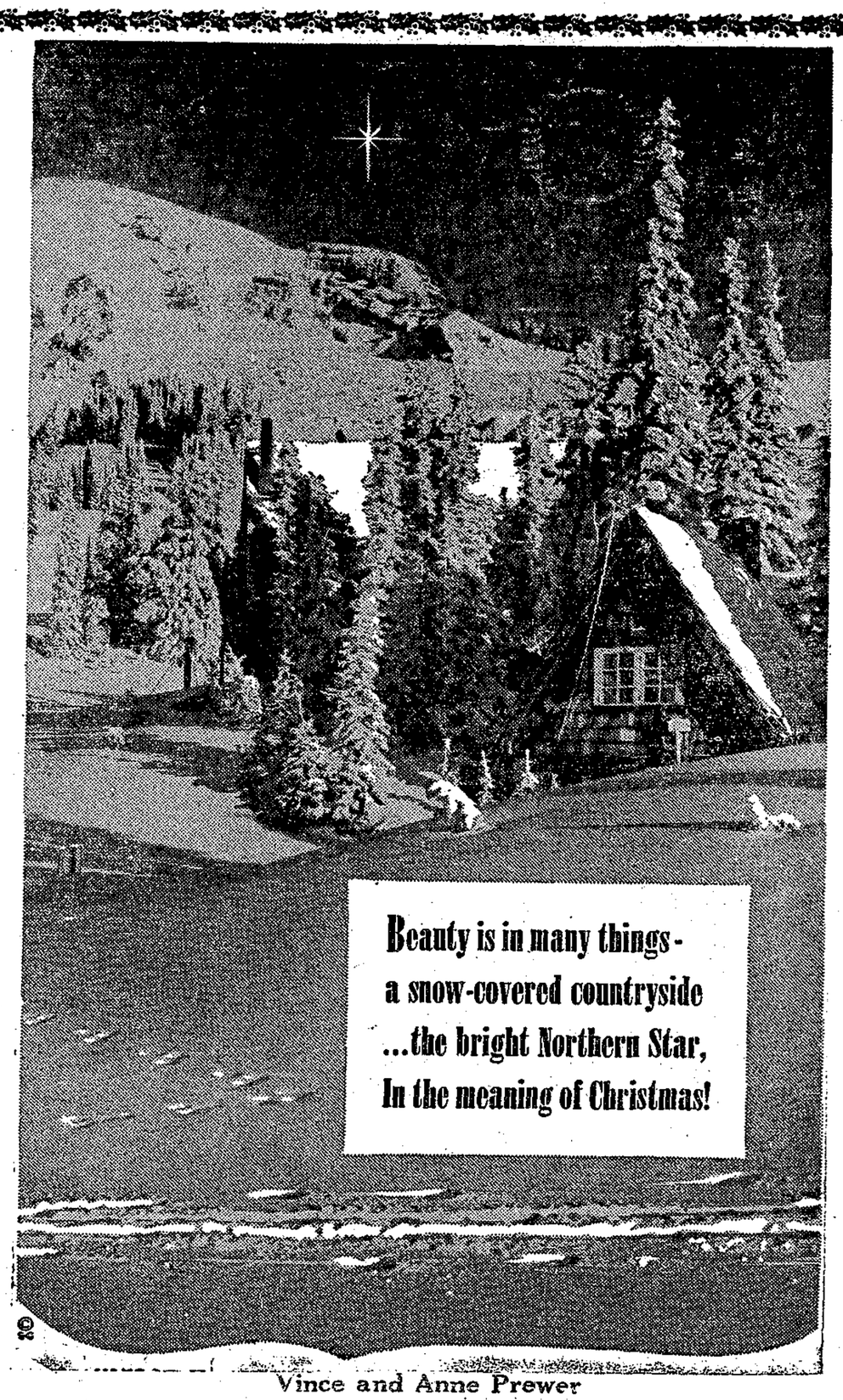

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