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Next week's weather

By ERIC NEAL

DECEMBER 21 to 28

This could be an unpleasant week for Christmas shopping, alternately freezing and thawing. Some days could be warm enough to take away our snow. Nights quite cold.

Commencing mainly sunny, heavy snowfalls are probable from Sunday to Tuesday. For some places freezing drizzle or mixed rain and snow.

A quarter of an inch of rain and six inches of snow would be normal, but some seasons we have had as much as 10 inches of soft or granular snow at this time.

For the New Year, sunshine and blowing snow.



*Come All Ye Faithful,
Come Let Us Adore Him*

Behold the Madonna and the Child, symbolizing to all the world the Sacredness of

this Season, recalling to each of us His many blessings. As the Christmas

story once again unfolds its Holy message, let us join together in a fervent prayer

that the world will always live in Peace and Good Will.

Merry Christmas
from The Examiner staff

2 Westmount honors long-service employees

The Westmount Examiner, Friday, December 20, 1963



QUARTER CENTURY CLUB

Alderman M. L. Tucker (left) presents congratulations to Deputy Police Chief H. Ward on his completion of 25 years service to the community. The occasion was the Westmount 20th annual dinner of the Quarter Century Club of Westmount, mainly composed of city employees.



The Officers, Directors and Members of The Rotary Club of Westmount, a member club in Rotary International, wish to thank the people of Westmount for their continued support, and extend best wishes to all good people in our city and throughout the world for

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Hon. C. M. "Bud" Drury
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Extends Best Wishes and the hope that all that is Christmas . . . Peace, home, freedom, worship, friendships, loved ones, happy children . . . may all those blessings be yours to enjoy this holiday season.

New and old members of the City of Westmount Quarter Century Club met Monday night for their 20th annual banquet, presided over by Mayor C. H. Drury.

The Mayor, Commissioners and City employees alike joined to pay tribute to Alderman P. A. Ouimet, retiring this month after eight years of service to the municipality.

Following addressed by the Mayor, presentations to employees for completion of a number of years service to were made. New members of the club this year and recipients of watches for twenty-five years service are: Deputy Chief of Police H. Ward, Police Lieutenant F. L. Miller, Inside Gardner S. M. Pacey, Tree Foreman W. G. B. White, Garbage Inspector, G. Vanasse, Public Works Foreman J. A. R. Paradis, and Garage Sub-Foreman H. F. W. Moore.

C. P. Dutton, well-known superintendent of Victoria Hall had long since received his watch, but was presented with an appropriate button in recognition of his 45 years of service to the city.

Alderman P. A. Ouimet presented buttons and watches to four employees with 40 years service: E. Beausoleil, Shift Operator; M. Clario, Garage Cleaner; A. Faubert, Destructor Operator; A. Beausoleil, Destructor Operator.

The six recipients of 35 year buttons were: Miss S. E. Burrell, Assessment Clerk; W. J. Hingley, Office Supervisor; J. R. Smithers, Purchasing Agent; W. Miller, Procurer; S. Kurdyla, Chauffeur; P. Belisle, Chauffeur. Alderman M. L. Tucker presented 30 year buttons to Public Works Foreman O. Coté and Building Superintendent C. E. Muir.

Not yet bonafide members of the Quarter Century Club but entitled to 20 year buttons were Clerk Typist Mrs. D. Muirhead (Victoria Hall) and Nightwatchman A. W. Bonin.

Recipients of service awards for 15 years service were: R. Sheppard, Assistant Superintendent; A. W. Jenkins, Storekeeper; J. A. Leduc, Labourer; J. R. Daye, City Engineer; J. D. Rehel, Laborer; B. S. N. Landry, Foreman; R. Dumouchel, Labourer; G. R. Niven, Chauffeur; E. Aho, Foreman; T. F. Fisher, Maintenance man "A"; A. Annandale, Foreman; N. Corbett, Service Agent; A. deF. Heron, Superintendent; J. R. Hale, Fireman; S. G. Ashford, Police Lieutenant; W. G. Black, Fire Captain; J. A. MacDonald, Maintenance Man; D. Selby, Foreman.

The Quarter Century Club has 134 members, both current and retired. Its roster includes dozens of men whose names out of the past are familiar to almost every Westmounter of long standing. Members are:

RETIRED

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Goyette, W. H. Henthorn, F. Green, A. Groulx, J. A. Lavoie, T. R. Epps, A. C. Gervais, O. J. Arseneault, A. N. Workman, E. C. Bolduc, A. Lawson, J. A. E. Sarrazin, Kathleen R. Jenkins, A. Daoust, D. M. Davies.

CURRENT

R. Greco, F. Ciarlo, C. P. Dutton, A. Durand, J. E. A. Lavoie, L. E. Lavoie, E. Beausoleil, M. Ciarlo, A. Faubert, A. Beausoleil, U. Beausoleil, J. L. Bunten, G. Griffiths, W. Griffiths, Margaret J. Woolls, D. D'Amico, J. N. LeBlanc, W. J. Hingley, S. Emily Burrell, J. R. (Continued on page 4)

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Candidate hits WMA delay motion



YULE CAROLLERS

These six young carollers are members of the Roslyn School choir which presented its annual traditional Christmas concert Tuesday night to an enthusiastic

audience of parents and friends. Left to right are: George Woodley, Andrea Levy, Michael Sarwer-Foner, Christine Birnie, Eric Shapiro and Olive Dodd.

Rev. C. Thomson, Westmount Park United Church

Again, we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ — the Prince of Peace. Again we join with the Angelic Choir to sing "Peace on earth to men of goodwill." Christmas speaks of peace on earth — not peace as a dream, or as a wistful hope, but peace realized and existing here on earth. The way of peace has been opened to us. It is the way the Lord took. It is the way of good will of uncompromising love and forgiveness.

If we welcome and accept the Saviour into our hearts, he will banish hatred, greed, revenge and jealousy. He will fill our hearts with his own spirit of love, mercy and truth.

As a Minister, I welcome the opportunity to write a message at Christmas. I am conscious that 1963 has brought its trials and burdens. I write to those who have been sick; to those who have been bereaved; to those who are in doubt; to those who are "troubled about many things."

I write also to remind
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Demolition begins on Wood and Dorchester

Demolition work began this week in lower Westmount to clear the sites of two different projects set only three blocks apart, on Dorchester prior to widening and redevelopment, and on Wood avenue to make way for the controversial

Westmount Centre project. The Beaver Demolition Company Monday began the task of tearing down some 14 "group one" properties on the north side of Dorchester near Atwater, at a cost of \$9,460. It is believed that this phase of the work will take about a month.

Police officials report that little, if any, disruption of traffic flow is expected while demolition is going on this winter. Dorchester will be closed for long periods when the actual

widening begins in the Spring. The City is now calling for tenders for the second phase of the work, involving 25 properties. They are due Friday, January 3 and will be considered by council at its general meeting the following Monday.

Meanwhile Westmount Centre developers, the Ransen-Maron Corporation began first demolition work on Wood avenue properties Tuesday two weeks ahead of schedule.

The developers were not available for comment, but had stated previously that most of the acquired buildings would be
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Bandit hits Greene store

Westmount Police are seeking the identity of the man who held up the Paul's service store on Greene avenue near Western last Thursday afternoon.

A lone man entered the store at 2.45 p.m. with a nickel-plated revolver. He demanded and got the contents of the cash register, about \$40 and escaped north on Greene avoiding road blocks set up minutes after the holdup, it was reported.

May seek injunction against development

While developers of the Westmount Centre project have successfully secured a demolition permit for work in the Wood-Elm area, it is learned from a reliable source that "private individuals" are seeking a court injunction against the issuing of a building permit.

It is also reported that City Hall authorities have received a letter advising them not to issue the permit pending legal action. The informant declared that the protesters believed that the Municipal Association meeting shed

little light on "the subtleties and great changes that this project will bring about." They are reasonably confident they have sufficient legal ground for the injunction, it was reported.

C. P. Beaubien, WMA candidate for alderman says he would vote against the Association's motion to provide more time for objectors to zoning by-laws.

He declared this week that he does not favor of the waiting period between readings of zoning by-laws.

This motion urging City Council to give a month instead of the present eight days between first and second readings was approved last Tuesday by a majority of citizens at the Municipal Association Fall Open meeting. It has been forwarded to council for consideration.

"I firmly believe that it would not be in the best interests of the city to change the law here, Mr. Beaubien told The Examiner. "There is no sense in placing an handicap on the work of council, as this would be."

The candidate said that, generally speaking, most zoning by changes are "merely routine" and of "no particular interest." "This zoning issue concerning Westmount Centre was unusual, but council is well-aware of the public's concern. However, if everything were subjected to this delay council would certainly be hamstrung."

Mum on high-rise complex

Mr. Beaubien would not give his views on the controversial high-rise development plans for the Wood-Elm area, discussed at length last Tuesday by a near record crowd over of over 500 at the Municipal Association Fall meeting.

"I think my views would be out of place here," he said. I haven't studied the project or talked to council about it."

Mr. Beaubien, a vice-president of the Aluminium Company of Canada in charge of public relations and publicity is the WMA candidate to replace Ald. P. A. Ouhmet who has announced that he will not seek re-election for a third term.

The Association's choices are generally unopposed here and to date no other group has brought forward a candidate. Nominations are due January 6 and elections, if any, are held the following Monday.

Mr. Beaubien concedes that opposition is unlikely, but states he will run still run if opposed. "It would be my duty as a citizen," he said.



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This Week in Westmount

By VALENTINA RAHR

NINA FINKEL, student at Westmount High, will take part in the performance of Les Grands Ballets Canadiens at Place des Arts entitled "Pierrot de la Lune" during matinees on December 28 and 29, and the 2, 3, 4 and 5 of January. A ballet in three acts, with music by Arensky and based on symphonic variations by Borodine, Cesar, Cui, Gliere, Liadov and Rimsky Korsakov, Nina will appear along with 25 children of the ballet school who have also taken part in ballet presentations of the Bolshoi Ballet.

Nina is the daughter of well known pianist ROSE GOLDBLATT, Elm-avenue, who has

performed in Europe, the United States and Canada, and is on the music staff of McGill Conservatory. The ballet depicts the adventures of Pierrot who, tired of being on the moon with the stars, descends on earth to make friends with inhabitants of the world of toys, and fantasy.

This week author YVES THERIAULT, Victoria avenue, conducted a playwrighting seminar, during which he discussed radio, stage and television techniques with regard to structure, dialogue and characterization.

Present at the seminar was NORMA SPRINGFORD, newly returned from a trans Canada trip giving theatre seminars. She teaches dramatic art at Sir George Williams University, and on Monday evening brought along a number of students from her evening class to the final seminar. The Regional Drama Festival will take place during the first week in April at Gesu Theatre. Miss Springford is a member of the Canadian Guild of Drama Adjudicators.

ARTIST MARC AURELE FORTIN, whose water colors are on view at the Mount Royal Art Centre, until December 12, 1964 represents 40 years of the artist's work. Recently a large mural in oils was at the home of Jeanine Beaubien, Oakland avenue, for several weeks, during which time prospective and interested purchasers were invited to view the painting.

NANCY HOLLAND, resident of Westmount, who is one of the members of Canada's Olympic Ski team training in the Alps this week. They are preparing to enter the Winter Olympic Games at Innsbruck,

Austria. Ski instructor FRANK SCOFIELD, Sherbrooke street west, well known in the Laurentians and in Europe, dropped in for a short visit to get some first hand information on the Canadian skiers, while on a jaunt to the Alps. . . . Westmount High School Christmas Concert on Thursday night was well attended. . . . A group of Westmount residents planning to petition the City Council in regard to getting a long delay on final decision regarding the Elm-Wood-St. Catherine project. . . . WESTMOUNT "Y" Christmas Party under the direction of RON WATT to take place on Saturday December 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. . . . MRS. T. H. MOLSON, Ramezay road, attended the fiftieth anniversary tea held by members of the Themis Club this week. . . . CITY OF WESTMOUNT tenders for demolition on the north side of Dorchester boulevard to be sealed and delivered to the city hall not later than noon on Friday, January 3, 1964. . . . JOHN RICHARDSON, formerly of Westmount Park Apartments, here for the weekend from Maine to enter skeet shooting events in Montreal area.

Christmas and the two Bethlehems

THERE are two Bethlehems. One is a rather shabby Palestinian town, set within the Judean hills and a few miles from Jerusalem. On the way to it you see people living in caves on the hillsides and Arab shepherds tending their flocks as they have done for hundreds of years. In Bethlehem there are the shops of the merchants and children playing in the narrow streets.

In those streets donkeys brush by you, their sides bulging with the heavy loads which they carry. This is one Bethlehem.

There is another Bethlehem which is even more real. It is the city of David and it lives in the imagination and love of people across the world. It is the place where Jesus was born. It is the place of reverence and worship as shepherds kneel and wise men and kings pay their homage and present their gifts.

It is the place of reverence and wonder and joy above which there shines the star of hope.

The real meaning of Christmas is that these two Bethlehems are not separate but one. The world of God and the world of man meet. In the street where we live — no matter how dark it may be because of sorrow, or sin or anxiety — the light of God's love shines.

Jesus came long ago to the scrubby town of Bethlehem and Jesus comes to where we live, for Bethlehem is not only in Palestine — it is anywhere that Christ comes down.

Westmount . . .

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Smithers, S. Kurdyla, P. Belisle, W. Miller A. W. D. Swan, H. G. Dutton, P. LeBlanc, Margaret W. Good, L. Lauzon, J. R. R. Chassé, E. C. Harper, O. Coté, C. E. Muir H. M. Rowe, E. L. Denbeigh, R. B. Seaman, A. Enslaw, J. Schaeffer, A. Nicolson, A. M. Crouch, T. Hovenden, J. G. Lessard,

O. Boulerice F. L. Miller, H. Ward, G. Vanasse, S. M. Pacey, W. G. B. White, J. A. R. Paradis, H. F. W. Moore.

YOU SAY

Resident decrys taxi-hail law

Sir: Can you tell me what sense there is in a Westmount by-law that prevents hailing taxicabs? It is a downright infringement on personal liberties. A block or two from a restaurant I feel tired and want to hail a cab to get home, rather than walk or take a bus — and what happens? No taxi will stop when I hail — it's against the law.

What poppycock!

A friend of mine waited 20 minutes on the street when the ferrule broke from one of his crutches, simply because of this stupid autocratic inanity.

Private cabs from other municipalities, unlicensed to pickup of course, shouldn't be allowed to cruise in Westmount. But I am speaking of a perfectly proper taxi-hail by a man who needs and at a time when one is empty and approaching.

When Dickens first said "The law is an ass" this must have been the one he had in mind.

J. C. Rivard

Calls for 'right of protest' changes

Sir, The December meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association provided the first full explanation of the plans for the proposed high rise building complex. The information came too late to be of any practical use since the Council had already passed By-law number 661 and no amount of argument could alter the outcome. This pattern of Council decisions first and information afterward has been a recurring one. Within the recent past we have had as examples the skating rink and the Stanton Avenue apartments. Now we have one which will radically alter the character of the city. We shall have many important ones in the future.

The Council appears to be determined to carry out its decisions with the legal minimum of reference to the electorate. This is clearly stated by Mayor Drury in his recent circular letter where he wrote: "— the Council felt a sense of urgency in getting this development moving —. Accordingly the minimum delays under the law were invoked." Also: "Your Mayor was asked to consider the possibility of delaying the final reading of By-law number 661 for two weeks. This was thoroughly discussed by members of Council and it was decided

unanimously (Alderman Backler abstaining) that it was NOT in the best interests of the City to delay the final reading."

For those of us who believe in our right to participate in the future of our city it is apparent that some changes are needed in our city charter. Firstly we need a longer period of delay prior to the final reading of a By-law. This recommendation was put to the Municipal Association meeting by Doctor Copping as a motion and was carried. A longer delay would allow for the people to be fully informed of a proposed change and to appraise the pros and cons. The Westmount Municipal Association is dedicated to an informed public and their rules permit the calling of a special meeting for just such a purpose. Secondly we need a change in the law governing (Continued on page 7)



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ROVING REPORTER

Surprising enough, even with the current cold weather and icy streets the accident rate this past week fell off sharply from its level of the past month. Police, at this time of year, daily cope with a whole cityfull of minor accidents, scraped fenders, etc. One current complaint, problem, however, is the number of motorists, who leave their cars on a hill in neutral. Victoria avenue is a prime spot: two run-aways in the past few days have caused considerable damage to lower-lying cars.



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They are somewhat frustrated this season as customers tend to gang up on them at peculiar hours. After being overwhelmed by the crush of customers for perhaps two hours they suddenly find their stores empty and sit around with nothing to do for the next two hours . . .

* * *

Mrs. J. C. Portneuf has donated a six foot mural to the Juvenile Department of the Westmount Public Library. It now hangs above the staircase. She painted it for a student's exhibition at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. It depicts all the activities going on at once in the studios, Stable Gallery, Library and Sculpture Barn.

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Special winter parking signs are now up here and there about the city. Appear to be catching quite a few motorists accustomed to parking in the same spot throughout the summer. And then when a major storm comes along it's hopeless. I looked up the regulation: "No person shall cause or permit any parked vehicle to remain on any street during or within six hours after the termination of a snowstorm, and if five or more inches shall have fallen, or if special signs prohibiting such parking are displayed on said street."

Well, Merry Christmas anyway.

White Christmas dreams turn into nightmares

There appears to be as much real Christmas spirit at City Hall as anywhere else, but if the truth be revealed it must be known that many officials there are not really dreaming of a White Christmas. It's a lost cause now, they admit, and when they dream about the white stuff, their dreams are rather apt to degenerate into nightmares.

The authorities are hoping they can squeeze through to the end of the year without another major snow storm "We've been moderately lucky so far," a roads department spokesman said. "With only two storms of any consequence we've been able to keep up the streets without too great an expenditure."

Normally, officials wouldn't worry too much about the normal snow at this time of year. But because of generally heavy snow last Winter, before the arrival of the first flakes this Fall, Westmount had exceeded its 1963 snow removal budget by over \$39,000.

Storms last Winter were so inconsiderate as to rage consistently on week-ends and holidays and double time payment cheques flowed out. Last May crews had to put the chains back on and clear 10.8 inches of snow from local streets. And this is a month with an average snowfall of .016.

Anti-snow campaign

Snow removal is always an expensive proposition. The '62 budget was set at \$264,950. According to a recent newsletter the armoured corps fighting the anti-snow campaign lines up this way: 12 heavy road plows, seven sidewalk tractors, seven snowblowers, eight front-end shovel loaders, seven one ton pickup trucks, and

two spreader trucks. From 30 to 50 trucks are hired for snow haulage depending on the severity of the storm.

The City recently purchased a heavy-duty 34,000 pound flusher truck with under body grader and plow at a cost of \$21,000.

Once you've ploughed and collected the snow, there is the further expense of getting rid of it. A limited amount can be dumped off the edge of Summit Circle, but the bulk goes to the City's efficient snow melting plant in the Glen. The two pools can dispose of 20,000 cubic yards of snow in a day.

New equipment for the two pools costs about \$25,000. Two burners for the snow melting plants in the Glen have been purchased for \$5,575. City engineers explained that due to frequent and wide temperature changes involved in the stop and go nature of snow removal, the burners require periodic replacement during the winter. The new ones will serve as spares.

Operations at the melting plants will also be expedited, it was explained, by the installation of a grit collector to remove sand and debris from the melting snow.

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'Y' plans special Yule activities

The Westmount YMCA's anti-Christmas party will be held tomorrow from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Younger members and their families are urged to attend. Special guest will be Santa Claus.

On Monday and Tuesday and also December 31 and January 2 there will be a special youth swim from 9 to 11 a.m.

A Boys Floor Hockey tournament is scheduled for Friday, December 27 starting at 1 p.m.

The 'Y' is extending a special invitation to teen-agers during the Christmas holidays providing facilities for dancing and bridge games.

Rotary meetings are cancelled

The Westmount Rotary Club's regularly scheduled meetings Wednesdays will be cancelled on Christmas and New Years Day, it was announced recently.

The Club will next meet on Wednesday, January 8 in Victoria Hall. Members have been requested to "make-up" for the cancelled meetings at other Rotary Clubs.

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For the third consecutive year, the Unity Boys' Club Talent Parade have been invited to entertain at the Annual Christmas Party of the

Merry Christmas

The Officers and Staff of the Unity Boys' Club of Westmount extend greetings for Christmas and the New Year to all their club members and parents and to all friends of the Club in the Community.

MAURICE MARIASINE,
Director

Westmount Police and Fire Department — this year to be held at Victoria Hall.

This has been a busy week for the talented youngsters of the Club. At the beginning of the week, the Talent Parade entertained some 600 boys, girls and their parents at the Annual Christmas Party of the Canadair Management Club, on Tuesday, they were the special guests of the Kiwanis Club of Lake St. Louis at the Hilton International Airport Hotel — they were treated to dinner and provided the entertainment

for a large group of crippled children and also the members and families of the Kiwanis Club of Lake St. Louis. Wednesday evening, the group were at Victoria Hall where they entertained once again in behalf of the Elderly People of the Friendship Club of Westmount.

The Westmount Police and Fire Department Christmas Party takes place on Saturday, December 21.

SANTA IS GUEST

Santa Claus will be the special guest at the Annual Christmas Party which takes place at the Unity Boys' Club on Saturday afternoon, December 21, starting at 2:00 p.m.

It is expected that over 300 boys and girls will be on hand to greet that grand Old Gentleman when he makes his entrance during the festivities.

The Party will begin with the showing of a series of 'Cartoons' followed by a variety of entertainment including music and song and feats of magic by the Club's own Tom Stephens and also some other special attractions. Refreshments will also be served and candies and oranges will be distributed to all.

BALLETS CANADIENS

Some 50 club members interested in Ballet will be the guests of the Ballets Canadiens at the Place D'Arts on Saturday, December 28th. Group will be under the leadership of Victoria Schramal.

The Dramatic Club is completing rehearsals for the Play Cinderella which will be presented at the Club early in the New Year.

JUDO CLASSES TO BE EXPANDED

Allan Bechard, the Club's Judo Instructor has announced that his Judo Classes will be expanded to include club members in the Intermediate age category as well as the Midget and Junior age group. There are twenty boys involved in Judo instruction — this will be increased to 30 boys early in the New Year.

WHEEL CHAIR WONDERS

The Wheel Chair Wonders of the Canadian Paraplegics Association were out in full force last Friday night at the Club. The Girls Wheel Chair Wonders, played the Unity girls in the first game of a double header with the Men's Section. Unity lost both games, the girls lost 7-2 and the boys lost 46-17.

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More letters to the editor

protests. At present the right to protest is limited to homeowners living in the zone involved in a change. In some instances the area may be very restricted so that only a handful might be allowed the right to protest a By-law which could affect the whole city. I would be interested in knowing how many people, not involved in the new high rise development scheme, in this city of thirty thousand had the legal right to protest By-law number 661.

These suggested changes would of course be unnecessary if our Councils were more consistently sensitive to public opinion.

Lauder Brunton

Another oldtimer has tongue in cheek

Sir: I was indeed touched by the letter signed 'Oldtimer' that appeared in your last issue. I can certainly understand exactly how the poor old chap feels.

And I can well understand that few, if any, of our officials know what he's talking about. Only a man with vision and imagination has the capacity to be really lonely — to the point where the very rats become company on a hot summer's day in the rear of a tenement; and the paint peeling from the pillars of the balcony lend an air of antiquity quite impossible of achievement by the latter-day chromium and crudery.

I hear tell, too, of another high-rise development in the offing — a dentist of my acquaintance says a confrere has already had his notice to vacate his office to make way for it. Another group of old-timers to be routed from their slumbers no doubt.

Call it progress, if you like, but I want to add my tuppenceworth to protest the cold calculating and crass thoughtlessness that underlies these developments.

Let's read more comment on the subject from readers.

Another Oldtimer.

Seeks public elections here

Sir, In a recent issue of your newspaper there was brought to our notice an urban renewal scheme bounded by Wood, Elm, Greene and Western avenues and St. Catherine street, which is currently under consideration by the Westmount City Council as a basis for amending the existing zoning by-law.

Considerable civic concern has been shown over the haste with which the zoning by-law is being amended, but on investigation and after a meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association on the 10th December, many people agreed that:

- a) The scheme is reasonable;
- b) Increased tax revenues will be beneficial to the City;
- c) Council had acted wisely.

Now, be that as it may, the concern shown by people at the meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association was largely due to the fact that they knew nothing of this scheme until November '63, a few days before the first reading of by-law 661 was to take place.

Many people at the meeting felt "piqued" by the fact that they had been kept in the dark and that the Council had acted in a high-handed manner. They seemed to feel that the Council was bulldozing the amendment through and did not want to make public the

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facts of the scheme.

Several speakers at the meeting expressed the insecurity they experienced at the hasty action of the Council. A motion was actually proposed and carried to lengthen the delay between the first and second readings of an amendment to a by-law from 8 to 30 days. This was considered to be an adequate safeguard.

In the normal workings of a democracy, safeguards are built in the form of periodic general elections. If the Council acts in a manner contrary to the wishes of the electors, these have a right to voice their opinion at the next election. The electorate nominates a new slate of councillors. In this city, however, no public elections as such are held. Councillors are elected by acclamation from members of the Municipal Association as seats become vacant, after a Nominating Committee has selected candidates.

At the Westmount Municipal Association meeting on 10th December, when nomination business arose, it was evident that the majority had little idea who was being elected. The nominees were described and a vote was taken by show of hands. About half of those

present voted in favour; a large number, being unwilling to exercise their electoral judgment, abstained; only a handful voted against the slate.

It seems that there is a nucleus of members of the Westmount Municipal Association in whose hands the election of the councillors rest and who are therefore responsible for the government of the City. This system may be fine for a club or a church congregation, but surely the government of a city of 31,840 residents with a property valuation of \$140,000,000 (being \$145,000 per acre or \$4,580 per person) is another matter. It is fine to govern a club on the "old boy circuit" and show of hands" type of democracy, but this system is not a democracy when it comes to a city with a population of 31,840 and an urban renewal scheme worth \$20 million.

After all, it was in 1215 AD that the feudal lords rose and curtailed the powers of King John, the Magna Carta was written and democracy dawned. In the City of Westmount in 1963 AD, powers are being exercised by a few property owning feudal electors on behalf of a populace of 31,840.

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City drops to sixth in real-estate sales

Westmount has fallen to sixth place among island suburbs in value of real estate sales during the first nine months of the year. The total here was \$13,495,643, it was reported by the Montreal Real Estate Board.

Westmount in recent years occupied second or third place, but this year was topped by St. Laurent with sales of \$22,140,643; St. Leonard with \$21,228,498; St. Michel, \$16,506,200; Town of Mount Royal, \$14,358,668.

Following Westmount were Pierrefonds and Beaconsfield.

Total value of all sales in Montreal and suburbs was \$488,090,530 over \$27,000,000 more than during the corresponding period in 1962. Montreal wards accounted for \$249,460,251 while suburbs contributed \$238,630,279.

Number of sales also showed an increase with a total of 16,666 compared with 15,798 dur-

ing the same nine month period last year.

Demolition . . .

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torn down within the next two months.

Construction of one apartment tower on Wood avenue, the 1,200 car underground parking garage and the shopping arcade will begin immediately afterwards for completion in about a year, it was reported.

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All pay their share of the taxes which go to run this City. Everyone enjoys the benefits offered and surely everyone who pays taxes directly or indirectly should be allowed a voice in the election of Council by the orthodox methods of universal franchise and secret ballot.

Alfred Meyer

Friendship Club seeks members

Sir, Would you be kind enough to print the enclosed letter in your next issue? I meant to read it at our open meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association last Tuesday, but in view of the lengthy and controversial discussions on the Westmount Centre Inc. I was unable to do so.

J. H. Richer,
President.

Sir, I do hope this letter may reach you in time for the December meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association.

I wondered if it would be possible to publicize the Westmount Friendship club at the meeting. The Westmount Friendship Club is a club for older men and women which meets every Wednesday in Victoria Hall at 12.30 p.m. The activities include cards, outings, preparations of cancer dressings, and various special parties.

We are particularly anxious that the senior citizens of Westmount take advantage of this club and would gladly welcome new members.

The club closes December 18 for the Christmas holidays, but re-opens January 8 and will meet every Wednesday from then on.

Members bring their own sandwiches and dessert and tea is supplied.

If anyone in Westmount is interested we would welcome a visit.

Mrs. Murial Binmore

WHS curlers enter Schoolboy bonspiel

The Westmount High Curling rink, skipped by John Wood will compete in the eighth annual Canadian Branch Schoolboy Curling Bonspiel; which starts Monday.

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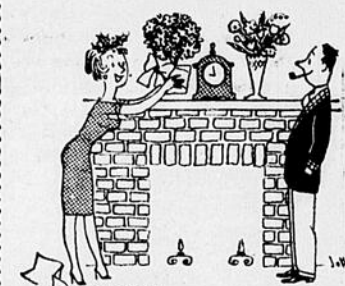
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High rise complexes favored

Look to planning report for zoning change explanation, engineers state

Much of the controversial zoning by-law amendment concerning the Westmount Centre high rise complex is based on information and recommendations given in the 1960 report on the "Planning of the Lower Section of Westmount" City Hall engineers declare. They state that a look into this document would explain many of the hotly contested zoning changes, particularly the much-disputed change in the allowed height of buildings from six to twenty-one stories.

The planning firm of Bland, Lemoyne and Edwards spent eight months on an intensive study of the lower area of Westmount in order to provide "a sound basis for regulation to preserve the unique character of Westmount and at the same time provide for its orderly redevelopment."

The consultants did conclude that some high-rise buildings should be permitted below Western Avenue, provided they are well-controlled and selected.

A text of the planning firm's report on the heights of buildings follows:

A study of the height of buildings shows that southern Westmount is fairly uniformly of three to four storey buildings. A few apartment houses and public buildings are slightly higher but on the other hand

the most recent buildings, both residential and commercial, are considerably higher than any former Westmount buildings and can be assumed to indicate a trend. Modern methods of construction and a greater need for accommodation due to the expansion of Montreal, coupled with higher land values, have presumably caused it. It may well be accentuated in the future as new buildings will be forced to occupy the restricted and more costly sites made available by the demolition of old buildings.

It would appear therefore inevitable that new buildings in southern Westmount will be high. Their form and treatment at ground level will have the greatest importance in order to maintain the spacious and decorative character that has long been associated with Westmount.

So far the tall buildings have occurred at some distance from the more desirable residential districts and it seems appropriate that they should continue to be confined to such areas where they would not drastically change the local character. The area best suited for high buildings from this standpoint is below Western Avenue. Tall buildings can be seen from many places so that it is important that their skyline and profiles should be handsome.

It makes little difference how high they are, provided there is space about them and they are not too massive at ground level. Regulations controlling their form should not require ugly and costly setbacks at upper storeys, as suggested by angle lines which produce architectural solutions hardly compatible with the character of the City.

Conflict of new and old

The problem of the tall buildings in Westmount appears to centre about the conflict caused by introducing a new building of greater bulk or height, or being otherwise odd in appearance, into a settled area. The matter becomes more critical the nearer such a building is to existing ones. A new building standing alone, separated from existing buildings by streets and public lanes, may frequently have a form and use that is dissimilar to its neighbours without affecting them injuriously or being disagreeable in appearance, as it is clearly a visual entity. The problem is at its worst when a new building flanks an existing building and towers above it exposing a blank party wall. To meet this problem it is believed that

in principle a new building should be required to be set down among existing buildings in a detached manner, or if attached to existing buildings it should conform with them as much as possible.

It is along Sherbrooke street, in particular opposite Westmount Park and the vicinity of City Hall, that one appreciates the urban scale that is so characteristically Westmount. Existing regulations control the heights of buildings in the residential and professional office areas and the commercial districts, and it would be regrettable to permit the introduction of buildings that would destroy the order that now prevails.

In the shopping districts it is desirable to maintain a degree of uniformity based on contiguous development of a similar height and scale and it is questionable whether high buildings can contribute to the pleasant environment a shopping street requires.

Limits 'too low' for large projects

Present regulations have set the height limit to buildings at six storeys throughout the central area and at ten storeys for the remaining areas except for small pockets of land at either side of the study area. It is also possible to exceed the six storey limit in particular areas but subject to a bulk control and approval granted at the discretion of the City Council. The extent of development taking full advantage of these limits has not been realized and it would seem that in some of the areas the limit

could be brought back to lower standards without restricting potential development in the overall area. At the same time, the limits are considered too low for large scale development in other areas and a more realistic approach to contemporary demands for construction must be accepted.

A balance of high and low buildings can be achieved best by comprehensive development on a large scale. New projects covering large portions of land succeed most where a pleasant juxtaposition of high to low and solid to void is accomplished. A town cannot be rebuilt without this sense of urban form if it is to

prove a desirable place to live and work in. Regulations permitting such development are essential to the future of the community.



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 The 81st annual meeting of the Congregation was held Saturday evening, Dec. 14, Chanukah, in conjunction with the annual Candlelight Ball under the chairmanship of Mrs. David H. Lisser. The annual election of officers and trustees took place with the following results:
 Honorary presidents—Hyman Grover, George Hollinger, Lawrence Marks, QC.
 President — Alfred N. Miller; 1st vice-president — Samuel

Special services are scheduled
 Special Christmas services will be held at Westmount Baptist Church on Christmas Sunday, December 22. At the Family Christmas Service at 11 a.m. the Minister, the Rev. Harold J. Balsdon, will preach on "Did Christ Come Too Soon?", and at the Choral Christmas Service at 7:30 p.m. there will be a Christmas Meditation by the Minister.
 The mid-week service will not be held on Christmas Day or New Year's Day but will resume on Wednesday, January 8, at 8 p.m. A Watch-Night Service at 11 p.m. on Tuesday, December 31, will replace the usual mid-week service.
 The Young People will meet on Friday, December 27, at 7:45 p.m.

Trustees elected — Henry Benjamin, Alex Carsley, Mrs. George Hollinger, Fred Lebensold, Rudolph Lustig, George H. Scott.
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 A presentation to the outgoing president, Lawrence Marks, QC, was made by William Gittes at which time he paid tribute to Mr. Marks for his dedicated leadership. Special recognition was given to Mrs. David H. Lisser for her untiring efforts in the planning of the Candlelight Ball.
 Dr. Stern in his annual mes- leadership and membership of the Congregation for their co-operation in having "made Emanu-El a dynamic center for living Judaism". He called upon upon all in the spirit of Chanukah to "rededicate themselves in the cause of the Synagogue in a revolutionary age when the ideals symbolized by the Synagogue are so urgently needed in the building of the world community."

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 Lesson - Sermon Subject: Is the universe, including man, evolved by Atomic Force?
Golden Text: Psalms 86:9, 10. All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord, — and shall glorify thy name. For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.
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 11:00 a.m. Regular Service
 7:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Service
December 24
 8:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Carol Service
December 25
 11:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service
 The author of the favorite children's Christmas poem "Twas the night before Christmas," an eminent New York divinity professor, felt his creation was below his dignity and would not admit he wrote it for 20 years.

Dominion-Douglas
Communion served this Sunday
 Christmas Sunday at Dominion-Douglas will be observed by a 9 o'clock Communion.
 The regular morning worship will be introduced by a Choral Prelude in which the Choir will sing portions of The Messiah. Dr. Smith's sermon will be "Peace on Earth".
 At 7:30 there will be an hour Service for families. The girls of the CGIT will hold a candle lighting ceremony and Dr. Smith will tell a Christmas Story.

Park Church plans two Yule events
 Westmount Park Church's annual "Carols by Candlelight" service will be held on Sunday, December 22 at 4:30 p.m. This year the carols will range from early traditional to selections from Benjamin Britten's Festival of Carols. Wayne Ridell directs the choir.
 On Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m. a special Nativity Drama Hour, "Columbine Madonna," a one-act Harlequinade, and the "Women of Christmas," a dramatic reading, will be presented under the direction of Georgia Copland. There will also be congregational singing.
 The public is invited to attend both events.
 The Christmas seal has become an annual institution and offers at the Christmas season as opportunity for rich and poor alike to help in the fight against an ancient enemy — Tuberculosis.

Christian Science
Virgin birth sermon topic
 The virgin birth of Christ Jesus will be explained at the services in all Christian Science churches this Sunday, in the reading of the week's Lesson-Sermon on the subject "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Bible selections will include the angel's message to Mary: "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God" (Luke 1:35). Explanatory passages from "Science and Health with key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy will include: "The illumination of Mary's spiritual sense put to silence material sense and its order of generation, and brought forth her child by the revelation of Truth, demonstrating God as the Father of men."

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Christmas messages from local ministers

11 The Westmount Examiner, Friday, December 20, 1963

Rev. Wm. C. Nolting, pastor, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer

A human interest story by S. D. Gordon gives us an insight into the true meaning of Christmas.

One evening, as storm clouds were gathering in the west, a mother was tucking her little daughter into bed. Noticing that the child felt uneasy, and sensing that this was due to the approaching storm, she tried to quell her daughter's fears by saying, "Don't be afraid, dear. God is with you and will take care of you."

Shortly after the mother had rejoined the father in the living room, the storm broke in all its fury. During a lull a few minutes later she could hear the whimpering of the child and hurried to the bedside.

"Don't cry," she admonished gently. "I told you you needn't be afraid. God is with you and will take care of you."

"I know," sobbed the little one. "But when it thunders, a little girl wants somebody near with skin on." She longed for human presence; the warm human touch; a gentle human voice.

In conclusion Mr. Gordon suggests, "I wonder if I might with utmost reverence and in a hushed voice repeat the child's simple, homely language. Listen softly — Jesus was God coming in amongst us with skin on."

Word became flesh

Isn't this what the evangelist John tells us in the opening portion of his Gospel when he states that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us? Isn't this also the fact that is brought home to us in one of the names of Jesus, namely, Immanuel — God with us? Or As Charles Wesley expressed it in one of our beautiful Christmas hymns: Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, Late in time behold him come, Offspring of a Virgin's womb, Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail, the incarnate Deity, Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Immanuel!

As early as the beginning of the fifth century the same thought was expressed by Coelius Sedulius in the words: Behold, the world's Creator wears

The form and fashion of a slave: Our very flesh our Maker shares,

His fallen creature, man, to save.

The Word made flesh! Immanuel — God with us! God with skin on, as the little girl would have it!

How our knowledge of God would suffer were it not for God incarnate in Christ Jesus! Especially would we be ignorant concerning God's greatest attribute — that of love. John states in his first epistle, "In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him." And when John speaks of living through him, he is not referring to an existence in some far distant time and place,

but rather to our present life in this present world. Jesus himself said, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Many of the people of his day experienced that new life imparted by human hands — filled with divine power. When Christ's hands were placed

upon a fevered brow, sickness fled. When his fingers touched the eyes of the blind, glorious vision returned. When with the sound of a human voice he commanded, "Take up your bed and walk!" the paralytic no longer needed to be carried by others. And, mirabile dictu, when he called at the entrance of his friend's grave, "Lazarus, come out!" the man who had been dead came out, proving to his sister Martha the truth of the statement Jesus had made to her earlier, "I am the resurrection and the life."

The miracles

Nor were the people unaware by whose power these miracles were being performed. Nicodemus said to Jesus, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do, un-

less God is with him." And of the general public it is said that when they saw the miracles which Jesus did they glorified God who had given such power

to men. They knew that this must be Immanuel — God with us — the Word made flesh with skin on, as the little God who had given such power

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Rev. Charles C. Cochran, Melville Presbyterian Church

For all of us, Christmas is a special occasion, and it is a special kind of occasion. There is no mistaking what Christmas is about: annually at this time we celebrate the birth of a baby — long ago, on the other side of the world. That in itself is a curious circumstance — that after 2,000 years and separated by many thousands of miles, we are still celebrating the birth of a baby.

In this celebration we normally dwell on the circumstances accompanying the birth: the presence of the angelic host, the visitation of the shepherds, the miraculous star in the sky, the "wise men from the East"; the inn and the innkeeper, the stable and the manger.

We are preoccupied to the point of obsession with the Nativity — with its historical aspects and its legendary accretions. Evidence of this preoccupation is to be found in the fact that we commonly refer to Christmas as an "essentially children's festival".

From one point of view, the Christmas festivity is a "natural". There is no difficulty whatever in persuading men and women to celebrate a birth. Indeed, all our hearts melt at the sight of a tiny infant. They are cute, innocent, playful and endearing.

Who among us is not uplifted, and whose heart is not warmed by the presence of a baby boy or girl in our midst? And we are entitled to believe that Joseph and Mary were not different from other parents down through the ages who have rejoiced in the safe arrival of their first-born child.

So far, then, we have thought of the infant Jesus in terms only of natural, spontaneous human love — and in terms of human sentiment. These are certainly proper categories to be applied. But if we were bound to the Christ-child by merely human sentiment, then the incident of His birth would have long since been forgotten.

There have been other sweet, attractive, lovable children born since His time. Millions of babies have come into the world in similarly distressing circumstances. Others too, have been

rejected and cast-out almost from the moment of birth.

Unbreakable bond

When then is the unbreakable bond that binds mankind to this particular infant — almost 2,000 years later? It is certainly not our love for the child — as a child. It would be stretching a point beyond all that is humanly conceivable to insist that it is. But what we are confronted with in the birth of Jesus is an entirely new kind of love.

What has happened in the Christmas event is not, in the first place, that men find themselves loving a new-born child; but rather the wholly unexpected circumstances; we find ourselves being loved by a new-born child. That this is true is

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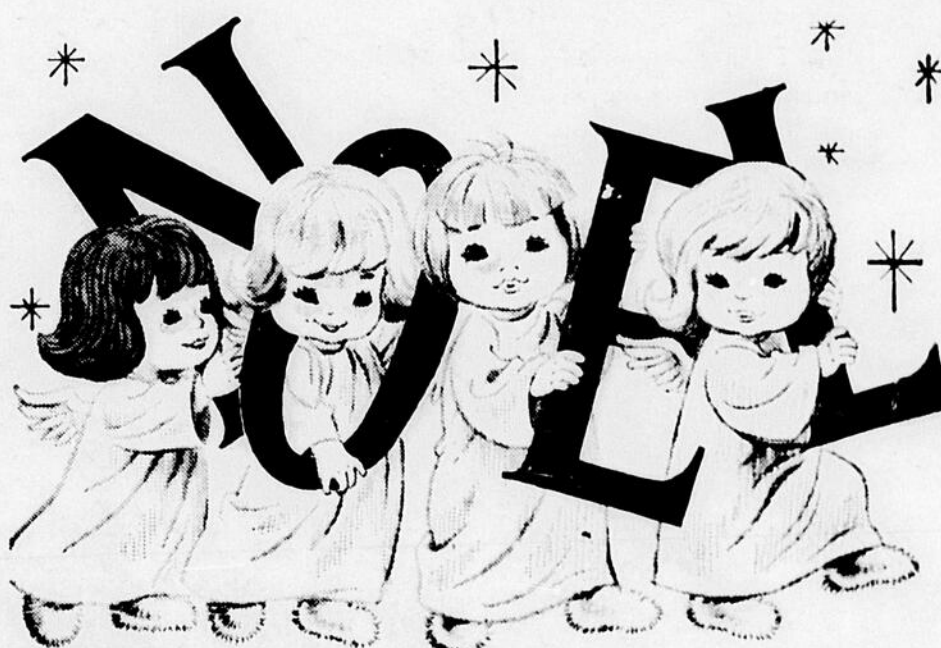
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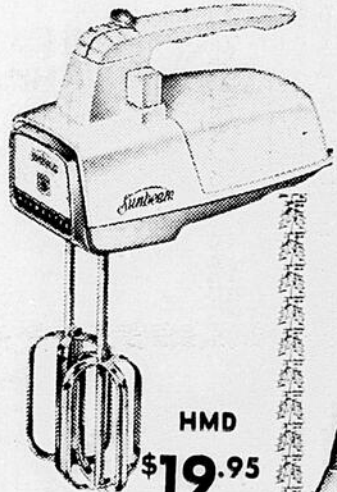
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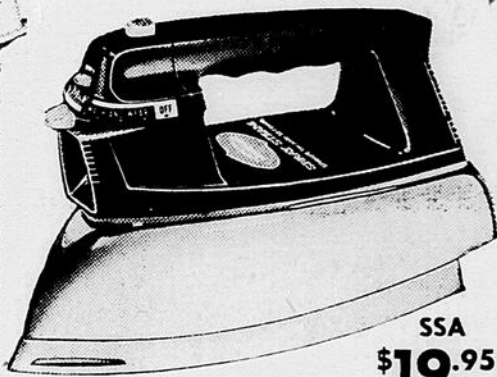
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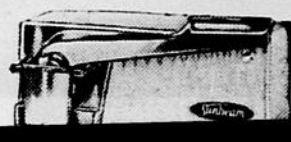
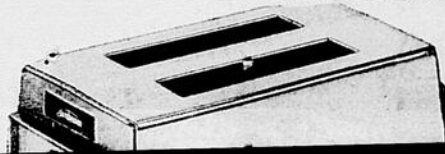
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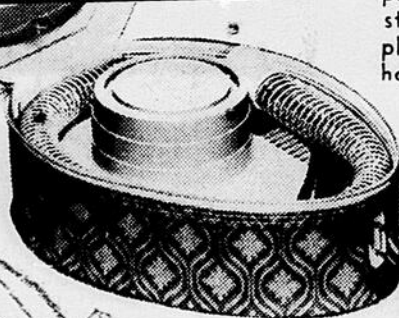
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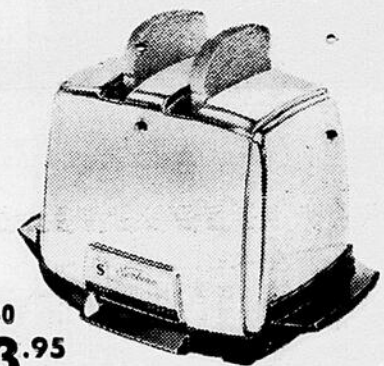
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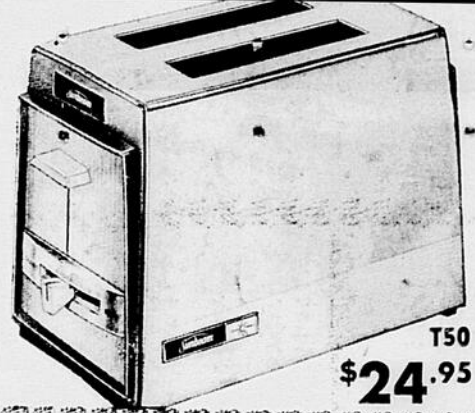
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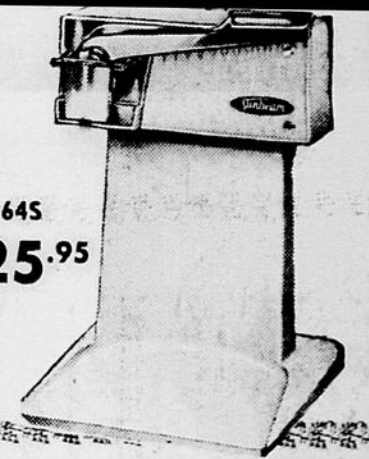
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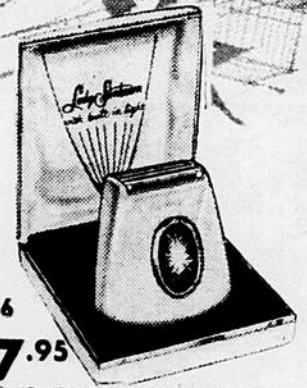
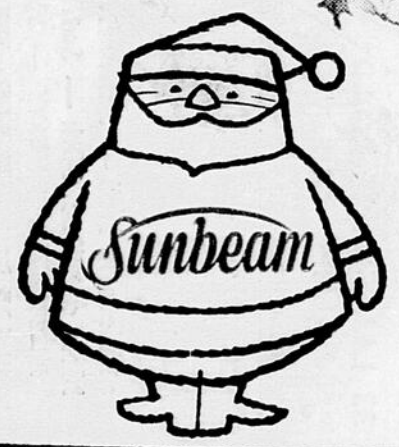
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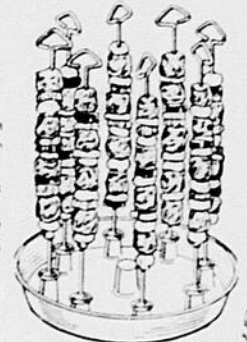
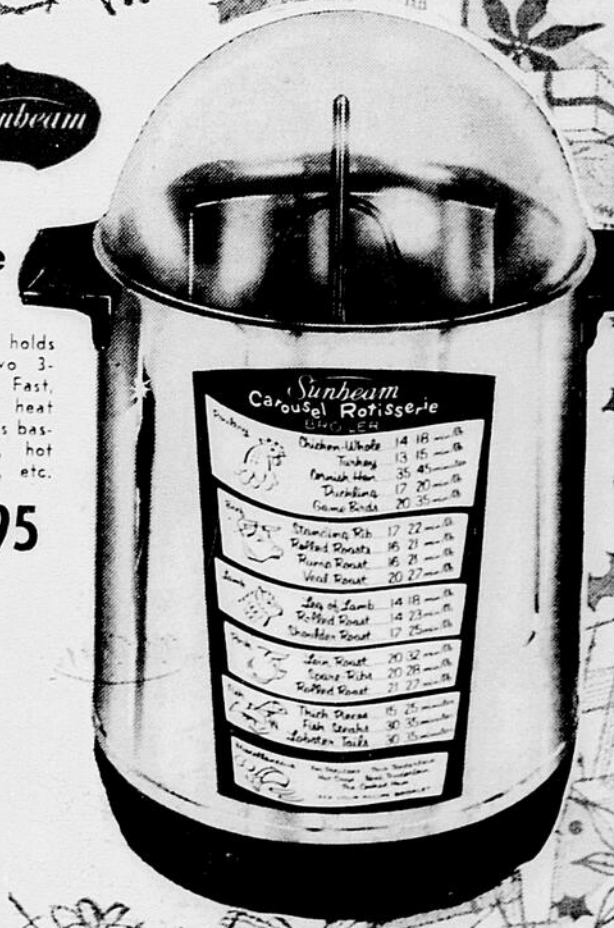
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MR. AND MRS. R. G. LUNAN, of 2466 West Hill avenue, Notre Dame de Grace, celebrated 50 years of marriage December 17. Mr. and Mrs. Lunan have lived in Montreal all of their lives and have been residents of Notre Dame de Grace for the past 35 years. Their 6 children, 16 grandchildren, and friends helped them celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary with an "at home." They were married by Rev. Potter at McVicar Memorial Church on Hutchison and St. Viateur. Their children are Alan, Malcolm, Valois; Stewart, Town of Mount Royal; Ruth, Doris, Notre Dame de Grace; and Irene, Chambly.

Women's Federation CJA inauguration is held

The inauguration of the new Women's Federation of Combined Jewish Appeal took place at

the annual meeting of the Women's Division, December 17 at the Windsor Hotel.

Plans for the reorganization of the Women's Division of the Joint Campaign for Combined Jewish Appeal and United Israel Appeal were announced recently by Moe Levitt, president of the Combined Jewish Appeal, and Mrs. David L. Nadler, chairman of the Women's Division.

The Women's Federation as it will be known, will make possible a broader scope of women's community service activities under the auspices of the Combined Jewish Appeal.

By-laws establishing the Women's Federation were adopted at a recent board and council meeting of the Women's Division. According to Mrs. Nadler, "the new structure will make it possible to carry on a more pervasive and effective year-round program in various important areas including the annual Joint Campaign, educational activities and other service projects in conjunction with the agencies of the Combined Jewish Appeal and the Federation of Jewish Community Services."

The structure of the new Women's Federation has been developed by a special by-laws committee headed by Mrs. J. A. Lyone Heppner, which has been meeting for close to a year. These

Tea Time Topics...

Christmas plants
require moisture

By Millicent Hickmore



EVERY YEAR, at this time, the question arises — how to take care of the beautiful plants received at Christmastime? The following is the advice given by a leading Canadian florist.

Play it cool with Christmas plants and they'll bloom long past the season!

Nearly all Christmas plants require a cool, moist atmosphere for maximum bloom, although the opposite usually prevails in modern homes and apartments. But some expert tricks of the trade can help persuade plants to last longer and sometimes to bloom again next year.

One of the touchiest of winter plants is the colorful poinsettia, says a Canadian plant authority. This native flower of Mexico must be moist at all times but never have wet feet. Keep the plant in bright light, away from drafts, and pour off excess moisture after watering.

As poinsettia leaves turn yellow, remove them. After the bloom has dropped, the plant and the fern used as fill will make an attractive green houseplant for several more weeks. And if you're brave enough to try for another round of blooms, dry out the poinsettia in the basement for a few months after blooming, repot it in medium rich soil in spring, keep it moist and in bright light, and watch for blooms.

Another Christmas favorite, the cyclamen, requires much the same care. It should be always moist, without wet feet and if possible, it should be removed to a cool place at night. For a second round of

blooms, follow the rules for poinsettias.

Azalea fanciers are in for a surprise this year. The vivid winter plants, traditionally imported from Belgium, were this year procured from the U.S. and Holland, because of an embargo due to a dangerous parasite found in Belgian soil, the golden nematode.

This year's azaleas are a different variety, still in vivid pinks and reds, but single U.S. and Holland, because of blooms on shorter stems and smaller daintier plants.

Azaleas need be not only moist but soaked. It's the only plant that's safe with wet feet, water it twice a day and if by chance it dries out, steep it overnight in the bathtub with water right over the pot. It's a very thirsty plant.

After blooms have dropped,
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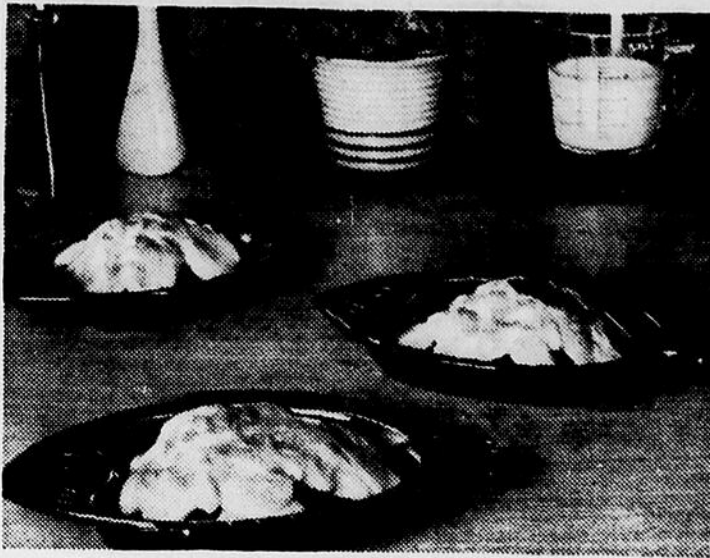
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SALMON SPINACH SUPREME

1, 10-ounce package frozen spinach
OR 1½ to 2 pounds fresh spinach
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1½ teaspoons lemon juice
¼ teaspoon pepper
2 cups canned salmon
Milk (approximately 1 cup)

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 tablespoons flour
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon dry mustard
¼ teaspoon liquid hot pepper seasoning
1 cup shredded process Canadian cheese
Dash of cayenne pepper

Preheat oven to 425 deg. F. (hot). Cook frozen spinach according to package directions, or cook fresh spinach. Drain; season with one tablespoon butter or margarine, lemon juice and pepper. Meanwhile, drain salmon, reserving liquid. Add enough milk to salmon liquid to measure 1½ cups. Melt three tablespoons butter in saucepan; blend in flour and cook, stirring, until bubbly. Blend in salt, dry mustard, liquid hot pepper seasoning. Gradually add milk mixture; cook, stirring, until thickened and smooth. Over low heat, blend in cheese, stirring until melted. Divide spinach among four greased ramekins or individual baking dishes, or use one large shallow casserole dish. Cover with flaked salmon. Pour sauce on top, sprinkle a very little cayenne on top sauce. Bake in hot oven about 15 minutes or until sauce is bubbly and flecked with brown. Makes 4 servings.

Tea Time...

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keep the plant moist and in spring, plant it under a shady tree in the garden for more glorious blooms in autumn.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS:

No matter how many gifts Santa leaves for the children, they always look for the red stockings with the fascinating little gifts and goodies inside. The stockings today, with the child's name printed on, are quite wide, and will hold a considerable amount. A suggestion is for miniature cars, trucks, buses, etc. And the goodies might consist of candies, oranges, and small boxes of raisins and several small boxes of Kellogg's cereals. Two little tots I am acquainted with, each have a small box of Kellogg's cereal every morning while watching a children's TV show, each little box having a different picture, such as Yogi Bear, etc.

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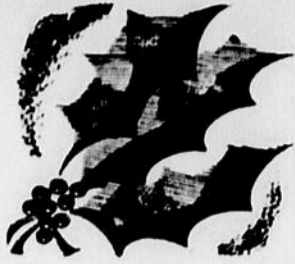
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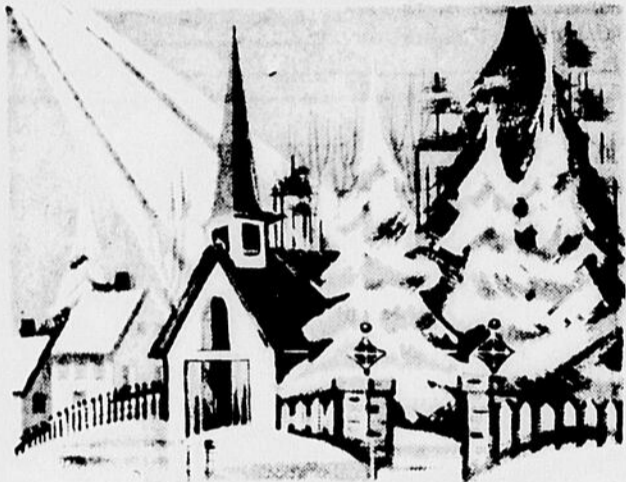
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Years ago, half the fun of trimming the Christmas tree was popping and stringing it into garlands. The whole family joined in and somehow the tree had a more personal touch.

To recapture this old-fashioned spirit, modern tree ornaments can be made from simple materials bought at the neighborhood store or, better still, from bits and pieces from the jewel or sewing box.

Plastic foam spheres, available from the dime store in a variety of sizes, are a wonderful foundation for ornaments. They are especially easy to work with for they are light and unbreakable. Try dotting one here and there with CIL household cement and sprinkling the dots with glitter before the cement dries. The ball is transformed to a glistening globe. To add color, encircle the ball in criss-cross fashion with narrow strips of red or green satin ribbon, using short-tipped common pins to anchor the ribbon ends. An extra long loop of ribbon, or a hair-pin sunk into the foam, will provide the hook for hanging.

To get a velvety, three-dimensional effect, snip the balls from left-over ball fringe and attach each one to the foam ball by piercing it with a straight pin. These balls are ideal for hanging on lower branches that are within baby's eager reach.

For a truly opulent look, sequins, pearls and brilliantly colored beads can be fastened to the ball by threading several of them on a long-stemmed straight pin. Hung close to a tree light, these "sputniks" will glow and gleam.

Egg-shells can be changed into dainty baskets which are wonderfully suited to miniature table trees. The eggs should be broken as close to the top as possible to make a deep "basket." Using household cement, or left-over egg white, gently cover the outside surface of the shell and then dip it into sequins or glitter. The ragged edge of the shell can be bound with folded satin gift ribbon and a loop of the same ribbon can be attached for a handle. After

Spray sandals silver or gold

If a holiday party calls for "dem golden slippers", and you haven't any . . . don't despair. There's a neat trick you can try. Take a pair of summer sandals that have seen better days and spray them with CIL Cilux silver, gold or copper spray.

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Christmas, the shells can be safely stored in an egg carton.

For those lucky people who can gather interesting weeds, rushes and pine cones in the country, there are limitless table and tree decorations to make. A quick dusting with gold "cilux" spray from an aerosol can will convert them into lustrous adornments. For a really dazzling effect, add a touch of glitter before the spray dries. The beauty of these decorations is that they can be used the year round, not just at Christmas.

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Invited head-table guests who attended the annual dinner-dance of the Canadian Friends, Alliance Israelite Universelle, held December 14, at the Windsor Hotel, were; The Consul General of France and Mrs. Philippe Benoist; Consul General of Israel and Mrs. Rivlin; Mr. Jules Braunschvig, Alliance International vice-president from Paris; Hon. Mr. Justice Harry Batshaw, president of the Canadian Friends and Dr. Bat-

shaw; Hon. Mr. Justice Benjamin Robinson and Mrs. Robinson; Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Lamarche; Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Franco, of New York; Mr. Benjamin Beutel; Professor J. Lightman; Mr. Philip Vineberg; Mr. Milton Klein, MP; Mr. S. D. Cohen; Mr. Ben Chazonoff; Mr. Sam Levy; Mr. Saul Haichin, and Mr. Jacob Cukier. Other guests included:

Mr. H. S. Abed, Mr. and Mrs. Sassoon Abed, Mr. and Mrs. Tevia Abrams, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Alvo, Mr. and Mrs. Moe Aspler, Mr. and Mrs. C. Altschuler, Mr. and Mrs. Basil F. Bailon, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Barsky, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Batshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. Henri Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bernard.

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Greeting cards tell story of Christmas

These antique cards, many of which are preserved in the Hallmark Historical Collection, tell a fascinating, frequently nostalgic tale of the customs and traditions associated with the Christmas season of our grandparents' day.

Some of the earliest American cards bore designs that would hardly seem in keeping with the Yule season today. One group, for example, by the noted illustrator, Frederick Church, had a patriotic motif. They were among the first to be introduced to the American public. The occasion was the great Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia in 1876, a time when patriotism was running high. Like all forms of art and literature, greeting cards reflect the moods and tastes of the period.

Christmas greetings had their origin as recently as 1843 and were almost exclusively an English custom until their sudden and widespread popularity in America some 40 years later.

CARDS AT A PENNY

The first American Christmas cards were published in Boston by a man named Louis Prang. They cost a penny each and were modest in size and design by modern standards.

Prang, who would later be known as "the father of the American Christmas card," was a German refugee who had established a successful business selling visiting cards, business advertisements and announcements both here and in England.

In 1872, he began printing brief Christmas sentiments on small visiting cards and found that they sold well in England. These unique, improvised Yule greetings, some bearing floral designs on black backgrounds, were among the cards introduced to the American public at the centennial.

When Prang noted that the idea of sending printed Christmas greetings was well received here, he set aside other interests to concentrate on the new Yule cards. Within two years, the greetings had been enlarged to post-card size. Longer texts and pictorial designs appeared and a series with flowers, birds, and animals became very popular.

CHRISTMAS SYMBOLS

Holly and mistletoe, the traditional Christmas symbols, made an early appearance as did Santa Claus and his reindeer, popularized earlier in the century by the famous Clement Moore poem, "A Visit From Saint Nicholas."

There is abundant evidence of artistic designs still in use today, such as New England snow scenes, church bells, sleighs pulled by teams of horses, and firesides with stockings hung at the mantel.

But some of the Christmas card designs were only remotely connected with the Yule season. One example from the Hallmark Collection was published in 1881 by G. D. DeVore of Newark, N.J. It is devoted exclusively to the most popular American poet of his day, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. It consists of three panels. Two illustrate the poems whose verses appear beneath them — and the third was an autographed picture of the gentleman himself. The bottom of the card bore the simple legend: Christmas Greetings.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

One of the most recent developments in modern Christmas-card messages, and a very popular one, has been the use of both prose and poetry with a Yule theme by the outstanding writers of the day.

Prang, a superb and dedicated craftsman, had perfected a process for lithographic coloring that led to inexpensive mass production. But he was determined that the facilities to mass pro-

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The Canadian Girls in Training movement is supported by many of the Protestant denominations working together under the Canadian Council of churches.

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PIN MONEY LAMB PLATTER

- 2½ lbs. lamb breast, bone in
- ½ cup finely-chopped celery
- 1 medium sized onion, finely chopped
- ⅓ cup finely-chopped green pepper
- 1 can (20 oz.) tomatoes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- ¼ teaspoon thyme
- 6 small onions, peeled
- 3 large carrots, scraped and cut in quarters
- 6 medium-sized potatoes, peeled
- 2 tablespoons flour
- ¼ cup water

Brown lamb richly on all sides, in large heavy saucepan or Dutch kettle; add celery, chopped onion, green pepper, tomatoes, salt, pepper and thyme; cover and simmer for two hours. Add the 6 onions, the carrots and potatoes; cover and simmer for about 40 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Remove lamb and vegetables to warm platter; keep warm. Skim fat from stock in saucepan. Combine flour and water; mix to a smooth paste; slowly stir into stocks in saucepan. Stir and cook until thickened and bubbly. Pour thickened sauce over meat and vegetables on platter.

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indicated by the fact that the New Testament enlisted an entirely new Greek word for 'love' — for the express purpose of distinguishing between the human and the divine . . . between the love which humans bear to one another, and the love of God for men.

The secret of the Christmas spirit, then, is not to be found within the human spirit — it is not something that originates with us; it is rather to be found in the new radiance which shines from the manger in Bethlehem, and which embraces all mankind. It is the radiance of "the love that will not let me go."

The Christmas event is the sign of the mystery of God's love for men. It is therefore not a thing of the moment, which can or could diminish with the passing of the years. It retains its intensity and fervour throughout all ages and under all circumstances. In John's Gospel, we read the familiar text: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son". In the birth of the Christ-child that love has become concrete, historical, visible; in a word, that love has become flesh.

There are in our midst — among us and round about us — men who do not reverence the God-man, but who at Christmas-time are willing to honour the Christ-child. Such people are the victims of arrested development — in an advance stage.

They are content that the infant Jesus should make a claim upon their sentiment, but they reject the claims of the risen Christ on their obedience. If Jesus is to be honoured — they say in effect — we will worship at the crib, but not at the Cross. This is a fore-shortened kind of Christianity, if, indeed, it be Christian faith at all.

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girl would say it.

Yes, our knowledge of God would indeed suffer if God had not come to be among us in the flesh, not overlooking, of course, the main reason for his coming — that he might suffer, die, and rise again for our salvation.

The Word was made flesh, Immanuel — God with us. In this the love of God was made manifest among us . . . But, sad to say, in each generation millions do not experience that love.

We are told that the people of the largest city in the world, Tokyo, are making elaborate preparations for Christmas. But it will not be the festival known to us Christians. It will be completely secularized and commercialized — Santa and his reindeers, toys, gifts, parties, etc. Only one percent of the people in that metropolis are Christian. The rest have never heard or accepted the fact that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. They have never beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. Indeed a sad commentary on the Church's commission to make disciples of all nations! Especially when we recall that this commission was given almost two thousand years ago.

The Christmas season is again upon us. Much of its celebration, even in our country, will be purely secular, and even those who bear the name of Christ will be tempted to adopt the ways of the world as they prepare for its observance. To guard against this, let us recall the night when the Word became flesh — the quiet hills of Bethlehem — the silent stars in the heavens — the angelic chorus — the Virgin Mary — the Child in the manger.

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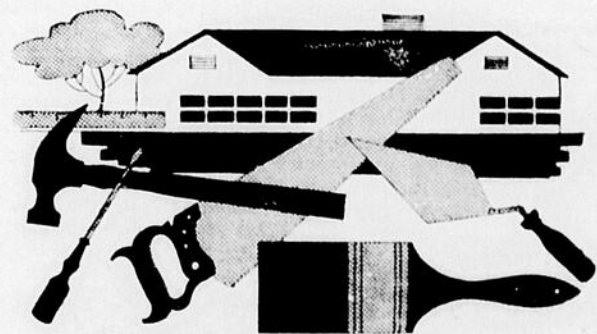
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THE GIRL'S TURN

The boys had their say last week, then it was the girl's turn. These three happy youngsters, members of the Unity Boys Club of Westmount with newly acquired "Learn to Swim" certificates are congratulated by Mayor C. H. Drury, (right) while special guests, Canadians defenceman Jacques Laperriere and Alouettes star Jim Andreotti look on. The girls are (left to right): Marg Morrissey, Claudette Tremblay and Sharon Syvret.

Nativity Pageant colorful at St. Matthias on Sunday

Two-score pupils of St. Matthias' Church Sunday School presented a Pageant of The Nativity Sunday evening — in place of the regular evening service.

It was a highly creditable effort; revealing once again that there is no group quite as fitting to present such a pageant as the tots and pre-teens, and no audience quite as receptive as one composed of parents and friends.

With the exception of the singing of three hymns by the congregation and the taking of the collection — which was turned over to the purchase of Visual Aids for the Sunday School — the entire hour and a half was devoted to the pageant; and from the first appearance of the Angel Gabriel visiting Mary to the finale with the congregation joining in the singing of Adeste Fideles the presentation was colorful, well-lighted, and revealed much care in the training of the pupils and in the staging of the ten scenes, making maximum use of the entrance and exit possibilities — including the main aisle and the choir-loft.

Mary's cousin Elizabeth, Caesar Augustus, Joseph, the Shepherds, the Wise Men — all were there, tastefully robed and made-up, and completely aware of the importance of the part they played and the serious purport of the pageant as a whole.

There were moments when the illusion threatened to break down but these were few and far between and were weathered with the aplomb of stage-veterans of far less tender-years.

The modern age made its mark on the production early, for the first message over the loudspeakers was an aside to several motorists who were in the audience, and who had apparently left their vehicles parked in a fashion that proved displeasing to the Westmount police department.

This development failed to shatter the tempo of the pageant however, and Mary's evident piety and the arrogance of Caesar Augustus came through on schedule.

True "The Wee One" required a small bit of extra persuasion to pay homage to the Infant, and one of the Roman soldiers waved to his family in the audience, but this merely made the presentation the more human and believable.

Credits were given on the program as follows:

Mary — Jacqueline Edwards; Joseph — Heather Morrow; Gabriel — Verian Luxton; Herod — Wilfred Wagner; Elizabeth — Nancy Wilson-Smith; Simeon — Rosalie Parsons; The Wee One — Pippa Lane; Fan Bearer — Kathy Doidge; Inn Keeper — Julie Harris; Page — Susan Greenwood; Stable Angel — Ruth Tait; Leading Angel — Alexandra Reade; Train Bearer — Brant Henderson.

Soldiers: Sarah Compton, Andrew Douglas, Billy Sutherland and Hamilton Greenwood.

Trumpeters: Agnes Bonté and Margaret Bonté.

Shepherds: Andrew Morrow, Alex Darragh, Garry Henderson and George Harris.

Angels: Sarah Greenwood, Elizabeth Reade, Anne Shaddick, Lucille Dorken, Daphne Clarke, Jennifer Wilks, Cathie Petrie, Cynthia Hodgson, Cynthia Wilks and Holly Hodgson.

Kings: Nancy Laing, Diane Culver and Jane Doidge.

Readers: Mrs. A. L. Laxton and Mr. Michael Manler.

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Rink stays open

The Westmount Recreation Department will retain normal hours for the Artificial Ice Rink during the holiday season. The rink will be open on Christmas and New Year's Day.

Municipal and school hockey teams will continue to use the main ice on weekdays and Saturday mornings. It will be available for general skating after 2 p.m. Saturdays and after 7.30 weekdays.

The rinks are open from 1 to 5.45 p.m. Sundays. No hockey is permitted. The smaller rink on the north side is open for general skating throughout the week.

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Residents donate half truckload of toys for needy youngsters

Local residents have donated in the past few weeks about half a truckload of toys for distribution to needy families at Christmas by the Montreal Fire Department.

Westmount agent for the toys is Matt Chenier, proprietor of the Shell station at Victoria and Western (formerly Art French). He reports that recent donations have exceeded collections of previous years. The collection period ended Monday, but further

donations will still be most gratefully received, he said.

The work of toy repairing by Montreal Firemen was started in 1946. In the first year they distributed 800 toys compared with 3,000 in 1962. The toys at that time were repaired in Fire Stations throughout the city, and distributed to needy families. Today, thanks to the authorities of the Montreal Fire Department and the City of Montreal, all broken toys are stored in a large building located at 443 Cary street, where they are repaired throughout the year and are distributed

at the end of the year.

Last year, more than 65 different organizations received toys. The following are some of the societies: St. Vincent de Paul, le Bien-Etre Social of the City of Montreal, the Jewish Benevolent Society, as well as different hospitals, Traveller's Aid, The Negro Community Centre.

It is suggested that the needy families make their request for toys through the St. Vincent de Paul Society in their parish, as it is impossible for the firemen to answer all personal requests.

Plays, music, gym displays highlight WHS Yule concert

By DAVID L. SMITH

Last Thursday, December 12 a large crowd struggled through a blinding snowstorm to Westmount High School to attend the school's Christmas concert. There were nine parts to the program, including band music; the orchestra; music solos; plays; a gymnastic display; and the Christmas cantata, the "Song of Christmas." The entire program went smoothly, and there were many excellent performances.

The first number was a performance by the Intermediate Band of "Christmas Party," a medley of nine pieces, by Harold Spina. The band played with enthusiasm, under their leader, Mr. Chevlin.

No one could complain about a lack of interest at Westmount High in the French language. Two parts of the concert were performed in French. Students from classes 7Ms, 7E, and 7F sang a French song, "Le Divin Enfant." They were directed by Mrs. Astolfi, and Mrs. Walther; and accompanied on the accordion by William Hjerpe.

Following this, students from 8L1, and 8Mw performed a French play, "L'Enfant Volé" produced by Mrs. Walther.

The play was quite amusing, and no one seemed to lose anything through not knowing French. The idea of doing a French play and song was a good one, it was thought and both numbers were well done.

Two musical performances followed. Lewis Greenblatt, a brilliant violinist from grade nine played the first movement of Beethoven's "Spring Sonata," accompanied by Collombe Pelletier. Lewis gave an excellent performance. After this, Vivia Stewart and Deidre Vogan, from grade ten, sang three works, with piano accompaniment by Miss Jamieson, one of the school's music teachers.

The next item was a gymnastic display done to music, which was directed by Miss Langford-Jones.

Seventh grader writes play

Then the students of class 7Mw presented an original play, "The Christmas Martian," written by Anthony Ferguson, a member of the class, and produced by Mrs. Assels and Mr. Barr. The play was quite amusing and a good effort for a grade seven class.

The senior orchestra then performed Leroy Anderson's "Christmas Festival," under the direction of Mr. Stolow, who teaches stringed instrument classes at WHS.

The evening was climaxed by a performance of the "Song of Christmas," a cantata by Roy Ringwald, with choral arrangement by Fred Waring. The large is, and Peter Mikelson spoke ef-

fectively.

The performance of the cantata was the result of months of choir and full orchestra did a fine job under Mr. Stolow, and excelled in the final triumphant chorus.

Soloists, Vivia Stewart, Prudence Hugman, Huntley Duff, Fraser Adams, and David

Osborne performed their parts well; while narrators, Kate Lehard work by Mr. Stolow, and by Miss Jamieson, the choral director, as well as the singers and instrumentalists. The performance was well worth the effort and it is unlikely that anyone went home dissatisfied with the evening's entertainment.

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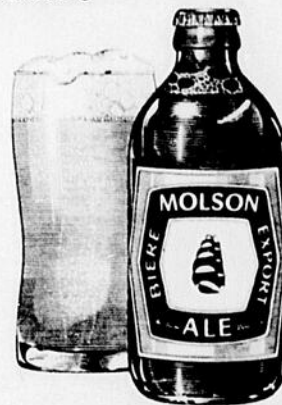
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St. Leo's issues more reports to raise marks

By JULES DESJARDINS

The first term results showed that many students at St. Leo's lacked application and concentration in their work according to vice-principal, David G. Bedford. He carefully investigated this problem and soon decided to adopting a bi-monthly report card plan.

This report was designed to give the parents a record of their son's progress between term exams, and also to show them in what manner the student applies himself.

The report consists of three ratings for every subject, Excellent, Good, and poor, with any necessary critical comments for each subject. A big factor of this report card is conduct and this is similarly rated.

The first reports were given last week, and it proved to be most interesting. The school staff and all the parents agree that the plan was successful.

This report it is believed has helped the students to exhibit a more serious attitude to their work, and on a whole, results were surprisingly high.

Curling bonspiel

An RMCC schoolboy curling bonspiel will be held commencing

Westmount officer to attend Imperial Defence College

Ex-Westmounter, Group Captain Campbell H. Mussells, former Director of Air Defence Requirements at Air France Headquarters in Ottawa, has been selected to attend the Imperial Defence College Course in London, England.

Group Captain Mussells flew as a pilot with the Pathfinder Force during the Second World War, earning the Distinguished Service Order and the Distinguished Flying Cross. Later, during the Korean action, he played a key role in organizing the Korean airlift and was awarded the Order of the British Empire in 1952.

He will report to the Defence College to begin the 12-month course in early December.

Group Captain C. H. Mussells, was born in Westmount in June 1920 and graduated from the Westmount High School in 1939.

He attended pre-medicine classes at McGill University until the outbreak of hostilities when, in January 1940, he joined the RCAF and trained as a pilot.

On completion of pilot training he was employed on instructional duties and for approximately three years served at various flying training schools in Canada. In September 1943, he graduated from the Empire Central Flying

School in England and was attached to 426 Bomber Squadron. As a member of the Pathfinder Force, he completed two tours of operations and earned the Distinguished Service Order and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Group Captain Mussells was cited for the DSO for his actions during a raid on Leipzig late in the war when his aircraft was badly crippled by enemy fighters. He flew back to his base with the flying controls lashed in position and, after ordering the rest of his crew to bail out, he and another officer successfully landed the damaged bomber with a seriously injured gunner aboard.

Local police urge:

Get on the wagon or let the wagon alone

Party-goers who leave their cars at home stand a better chance of staying alive through the holiday season according to Westmount Police officials.

"And if you have to be a driver to and from a party, you should refrain from drinking altogether, an official stated. "By making that drink coffee or some other safe beverage instead of liquor, you are much less likely to get into trouble — and you will wake up alive next morning."

While having "a couple of drinks" appears to be traditional at this time of the year, it still affects a great many who drive, the official pointed out.

He praised the thoughtful host and hostess who serve hot strong coffee to their departing guests. "This friendly last cup helps even pedestrians stay alert on their way home," he said.

"I wish you all a Merry Christmas — but my wish may not come true if you fail to protect your fellow citizens and yourself," the official said. "Regulations must be observed at Christmas as well as at any other time of the year."

Library closes, rink remains open

The Westmount Public Library will close at one o'clock on Christmas Eve, and will be closed all day Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, re-opening at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 27th.

The Library will also close at one o'clock on New Years Eve, Tuesday, December 31, and will be closed all day New Year's Day, and Thursday, January 2, re-opening at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 3.

The Artificial Ice Rink will remain open Christmas day and throughout the holidays on its regular schedule. General skating is possible after 7:30 p.m. on weekdays and after 2:30 Saturday. The rink opens at 1 p.m. Sunday. No hockey is permitted.

ing on December 23, and running through December 28.

St. Leo's have been invited to participate. Practices have been held and soon the pick of the school curlers will be chosen to represent the school.

Among the promising tryouts are Lindsay Sherriffs, Stephen Taylor, and Kenny Hamilton. St. Leo's was introduced to curling only a few years ago, but a strong team is expected.



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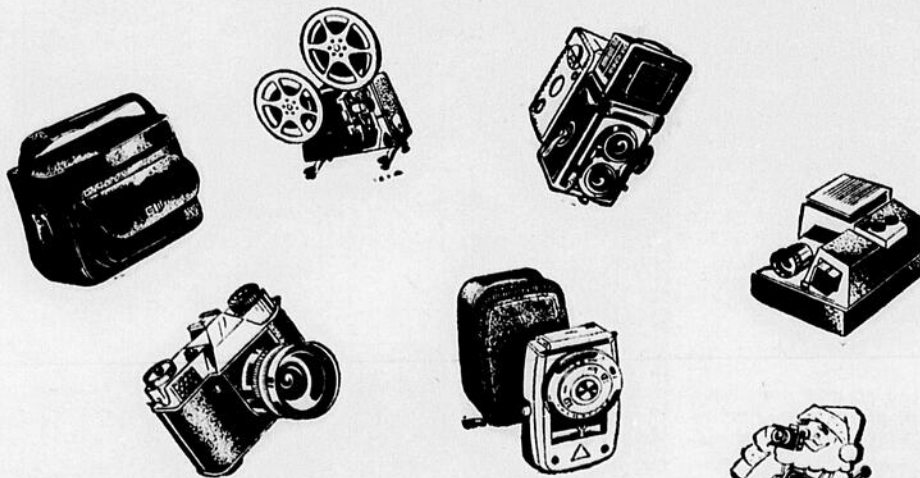
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