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A Merry Christmas To All

NINETYETH YEAR

Francois Cleyn, Vice-President Textile Sales

New Organization Takes in Four Mills in Huntingdon in New Set-up

Announcement was made last week that Textile Sales Limited has purchased the St. Croix mill at Milltown, N.B. This announcement found considerable interest amongst Huntingdonians, because Leach Textiles Limited, Spinners Limited, Chateau Dyers Limited, all plants in Huntingdon, form a part of Textile Sales Limited.

On Saturday the Gleaner had an interview with Mr. Francois Cleyn with a view to finding out just how this business organization was likely to work as far as Huntingdon was concerned. In short it appears to be a thing that will work to the general welfare of this community. In answer to our query as to how things should work, here in brief is what Mr. Cleyn had to say:

"As you will notice the association of so many companies under competent management has been our answer to fight the recession in the textile industry and the tremendous competition that we have to sustain from imports from cheaper labour areas."

It is hoped that this free association will provide steady employment and prevent the ups and downs to which the textile industry is so susceptible. I have great hopes that one of the biggest advantages of this association will be the tremendous opportunity that it will offer all members of our organization that show initiative and ability for promotion."

Through this association and the important part that Francois E. Cleyn, Alec R. Tinker and Richard L. Tinker will be called upon to play will give Huntingdon a prominent position in the Canadian textile field.

Francois E. Cleyn will be Vice-President in charge of manufacturing of Textile Sales, in which capacity he will be responsible for the operations of all the mills forming part of the group. He also insists that despite the pressure brought on him to move to a more central location, he has decided to continue to reside in Huntingdon because of his sentimental attachment to the Huntingdon mills and the people of Huntingdon.

Mr. Cleyn will continue to spend most of his time supervising the activities of the Huntingdon group. He feels that one of the principal reasons he has been able to accept these new responsibilities is the capable management he enjoys with Harry Wooler and Hugh Spencer.

Alec R. Tinker will be President of Leach Textiles Limited, with which company he has been associated for the past twenty years. Alec Tinker will be a Director of Textile Sales in charge of merchandising of all men's wear fabrics.

Richard L. Tinker will be a member of the management group and continue in his present capacity as Secretary-Treasurer of Leach Textiles Limited, Spinners Limited, Leach Dye Works (Canada) Limited, Spin-Text Limited and also Director of Chateau Dyers Limited.

Alan C. Salter, the President of Textile Sales Limited, who has been responsible for the formation of this organization is no stranger to Huntingdon because he was first associated with Leach Textiles Limited some twenty years ago.

Mr. Cleyn informed the Gleaner that amongst the mills that constitute Textile Sales Limited some one mill or other will be in a position to make any kind of fabric that uses artificial fibre or wool; in other words, anything but cotton goods.

Alan C. Salter, President of Textile Sales Limited, confirmed the purchase by Textile Sales Limited, of all the Rayon interests of Canadian Cottons Limited as of December 31, 1952.

It was also revealed by Mr. Salter that commencing January 1, 1953 the merchandising and selling of the following companies will be handled by Textile Sales Limited:

Artex Woollens Limited
Leach Textiles Limited
Chateau Dyers Limited
Mattawin Textiles Limited
Raymills Limited
Rosamond Woollens Limited
Spin-Text Limited
Spinners Limited
St. Croix Mill
Textile Weavers Limited

No substantial change in personnel in the selling organizations of the above companies is contemplated. In the consolidation of all merchandising and selling of all these companies, representing their great product diversity, can only result in the most economical representation and the best possible customer service.

Mr. Salter revealed that the purpose of the purchase of the Rayon Manufacturing Plants, and the consolidation of the selling activities of these companies to be as follows:

(1) To diversify the manufacturing facilities of Textile Sales Limited.

(2) To make the various associated companies less vulnerable in the highly competitive market the textile industry faces through increased manufacturing costs and import competition.

(3) To more economically merchandise and sell the output of all the associated companies.

(4) To pool the manufacturing and merchandising talents of all the individual companies, to the benefit of all the associated companies.

(5) To provide the facilities of manufacturing, selling, merchandising to other companies not presently associated with the group.

While securing these advantages, each company will retain its full corporate entity, and each plant will be operated on a local independent autonomous basis, with responsibility resting in the local management.

Mr. Salter stated that in order to achieve these co-operative results the Board of Textile Sales Limited would be enlarged to include the following:

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Rotarians Provide Little Girl A Happy Christmas

The Rev. John Cotton, Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Malone, was the guest speaker at the Rotary meeting on Monday. His Christmas message was highly appreciated by a large attendance of local Rotarians. Rotarians Nobert Bourdon and Louis Levine reported that they had delivered the child's invalid chair to the little five-year-old girl. The Rotarians stated it was a very touching sight to see the little girl in the chair going about the room whilst the parents looked on with joy and happiness. The Rotarians said the sight brought forth tears of joy to the parents and themselves. The Rotary Club is happy to feel they were able to lend such a valuable service to one in need.

Open House at Curling Rink Saturday

The Huntingdon Curling Club held open house on Saturday afternoon and evening and a large number of members and visitors availed themselves of the opportunity to get acquainted. A very enjoyable time was spent by those curling and some playing cards. An event of the evening was the gala drawing for a number of prizes, results of which were as follows: 1. two blankets, Huntingdon Woolen Mills Ltd., Mrs. J. R. MacDonald, Huntingdon, 2. 12-lb. turkey, Mr. Ken Pope, Mr. W. G. Tannahill, Huntingdon, 3. permanent wave value \$7.50, ladies' prize, Elinor's Beauty Shop, Mrs. Moise Galpeau, 4. Mystery prize, C. J. Kyle, Huntingdon, Mr. Amos McCaffrey, 5. Table lamp, E. Goodfellow, shade, S. J. Currie, Miss Louise Duke, Huntingdon, 6. Toaster, Laberge and Lalonde Ltd., Huntingdon, Mrs. Hazel McDowell, Valleyfield, 7. One suit length, Favcett and Grant Ltd., Mr. W. K. Pope, Huntingdon, 8. Men's mystery prize, Kelly and Lanktree Reg'd., Mr. A. J. Pettit, Huntingdon, 9. 12-lb. turkey, Mr. R. C. Morrison, Huntingdon, 10. Groceries, \$12. value, W. E. LeFebvre Reg'd. and Pringle and Stark Co., Beverly Kyle, 11. Electric clock, Marchand Freres, Helen M. Kelly, Huntingdon, 12. Table lamp, E. Goodfellow shade, S. J. Currie, Alex Tinker, Huntingdon, 13. Ladies' mystery prize, Mademoiselle Dress Shop, Mrs. Frank Lamb, Lacolle, 14. case motor oil (6 gals.) E. J. Holm, Huntingdon, 15. One suit length, Leach Textiles Ltd., Charles H. Brown, Huntingdon.

Workmen Begin Preparing Abbey For Coronation

LONDON, Dec. 1 — (Reuters) — Workmen have moved into Westminster Abbey to begin the six-month job of getting the historic church ready for the Coronation.

From now until the Coronation on June 2, 1953, the Abbey will be closed to the public and in a month's time the whole of the Abbey will be sealed. The construction work involves building tiered seats around the ancient stone pillars along the sides of the church to accommodate 7,500 dignitaries.

These guests will include the peers and representatives of foreign and Commonwealth governments and high dignitaries of the church and public bodies.

Stands and boxes will be decorated in blue and gold brocade. The carpets will be in two shades of blue with a pale gold carpet on the "chairs" the dais on which the actual crowning will take place.

Caza, Thos. Kyle, Miss E. Elder, Mrs. Ruby Munro, John Blake, Alan Ritchie, James Durnin, Francis Durnin, Wm. J. Hoyer, Nicol Stark, Fred Stark, Mrs. William Dewhurst, Miss Mildred Scott, Douglas McIntyre, Naphthalie Tallifer, Jerry Dunn, S. Lakin, Miss Alice Wilson, Mrs. Marion Reese, Mrs. Ernest Salter, Thos. McConville, Mrs. Lillian Murdoch, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Murray Rolfe, Mr. and Mrs. William Murray, Robert Rolfe, Alex. L'Esperance.

Miss Minnie Allen, Rev. Mrs. Supérieure, C.N.D., Mme Audette, K. B. Pedersen, Dr. Winfrey, Pat O'Neil, J. O. E. Lalonde, J. E. Tucker, Art and Walter Kyle, Merye Brooks, Mrs. M. C. Carr, Rev. W. D. Reid, Mrs. Mabel Wattie, R. Fleming, Willard Anderson, Patrick Delaronde, Stan Liversidge, A. E. Riehl, Mrs. Jessie Hampson, Mrs. Mabel Carrigan, N. Carrigan, Phil Carrigan, René Lapierre, Wilf Atkinson, Ernest Gosling, Mrs. Alton McArthur, Norman Hay, Mile Flora Messier, Robert Leslie, Mary and Willard Walsh, Mrs. Fred Monique, B. Fisher, Rodolphe Caza, Arthur

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The Staff of The Huntingdon Gleaner

Howick-Huntingdon Ayrshire Club Successful Meeting

Strong Resolution Concerning the Margarine Menace is Passed

In an Ayrshire district such as that of the Howick-Huntingdon Ayrshire Club Area, the attendance at the annual meeting of that Club, on the afternoon of December 19, may be said to have been only on a percentage basis. Both as regards the membership roll and the districts within the Club area. While the weather was eminently favourable, it might be taken that quite a few in each district considered that their interests would be looked after by their neighbouring Breeder's Association. Nevertheless each district was worthily represented by one or more of its progressive breeders. It therefore was that President Robert MacParlane chaired a meeting of a very representative group of members, who dealt with the business placed before them in an exemplary, expeditious manner.

During the course of his brief opening comments, President MacParlane said that, by and large, it should be considered that the Club Breeder's Association has been very active. While the regular annual sales had been cancelled, due to the embargo, the Red and White Show had undoubtedly been a striking new activity or effort. He besought the Club should look forward to the coming year with considerable optimism. In that respect he particularly referred to the forthcoming lifting of the embargo.

Secretary Archie Roy's reports and financial statement were considered to be eminently satisfactory and he was commended on the good service he had been giving to the club.

Club disbursements totalled \$627.70 of which \$225.00 had been donated to Ormstown Exhibition—\$100.00 to the Junior and "H Club" Sections; \$125.00 in prizes in the Amateur herd class. The Club also donated \$125.00 to the Red and White Show, held at Havelock, in addition to the \$500.00 grant for that Show by Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association.

Francois Boulais, Secretary and Fieldman of the Quebec Ayrshire Club, briefly addressed the meeting. In referring to the Provincial Club's two sales at St. Hyacinthe, he said that, despite the embargo and its repercussions, these two sales were most gratifying and satisfactory indeed. As regards the Fall sale, 60 per cent of the purchasers were new men. During the year 13 Red and White Shows, including that of the H-H Club had been held in the Province of Quebec with a total of 1,225 animals in competition. In that respect, he suggested that the aim should be more qualitative rather than quantitative. He also informed the meeting that the Provincial Club was computing all the Ayrshire R.O.P. records made in the Province of Quebec during the year, and that, as a result of the evaluation of same, a certificate would be given for the highest scoring records in each Club area. These certificates would be presented at the time of the Annual Meeting of the Quebec Ayrshire Society, which will be held at Montreal on February 19, on the day before the Annual Meeting of Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association.

Mr. Boulais also announced that the annual calf sale, sponsored by the Quebec Ayrshire Society, would be held on the first of May, the annual fall sale on the thirteenth of September. Both sales will be held usual at St. Hyacinthe. In urging that all members

should attend the Annual Meetings of the Quebec Ayrshire Society and Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association, respectively. Mr. Boulais referred to the several important matters which will be presented to the Annual Meeting of the Association as announced in the current issue of the Review.

Passed unanimously was a motion with respect to the Margarine and Vegetable Oils situation, described as one of the gravest menaces that has ever beset the dairy industry. In that resolution the efforts of the Dairy Farmers of Canada (headed by Gilbert MacMillan as President) were commended. Likewise the Legislation recently passed by Quebec's Legislature.

It was requested, however, that the Executive Committee of Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association should make provision for the forthcoming annual meeting of the said Association, whereby the Margarine, Vegetable Oils, etc. menace to the dairy industry as a whole may be fully discussed.

As requested that the said Association send a copy of the Resolution to the other purebred dairy cattle Associations along with suggestions that similar actions be taken at their forthcoming annual meetings. Copies will also be sent to the Huntingdon-Ormstown Holstein Breeders' Club and the Chateaugay Valley Jersey Club, respectively, with suggestions that they also give consideration to this matter and subsequently request their National Associations to make provision for discussion of the Margarine situation at their forthcoming annual meetings.

Christmas Pageant Held at St. Andrew's

The Sunday evening service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was in charge of the Sunday School with the Christmas story presented in the form of a pageant, entitled "The Secret of Christmas." A tableau depicting the Nativity scene with hovering angels occupied the centre of the stage and was flanked by a speech choir. The Shepherds and Wise Men entered at their appropriate times while a modern family scene opened and closed the performance. Donald Coglend acted as narrator and Betty Moore was soloist. A duet by Gordon Perry Jr. and Norman Clyde—"We Three Kings of Orient Are"—introduced the Wise Men. Four girls sang "Gloria In Excelsis" and the angel chorus rendered the lovely 800-year-old carol, "The Friendly Beasts."

Other carols were sung by the group in unison. The church annex was well filled and a generous offering was received for the work of the Sunday School.

On Friday evening the children of the Sunday School were treated to a supper by the Evening Auxiliary of the W.M.S. Following the supper the Beginners' Class presented a program of recitations and the children ones all came through in splendid fashion. Then came the event eagerly awaited by the boys and girls—the arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed gifts and candy and oranges to all.

Several Car Accidents Past Week

Man Arrested For Breaking Windows

Taxi in Accident
An accident occurred on December 17th at 1:30 p.m. on Route 52 about a quarter of a mile outside the Town of Huntingdon limits. A car owned by Ernest Taxil and driven by Ernest McCracken was travelling from north to south, when the driver apparently lost control on arriving at the top of a hill and skidded. Another car owned by Rev. John Travis of Franklin Centre and driven by his wife, was travelling in the opposite direction at the time of the accident. It is not known for sure if the cars actually collided, but they did come very close to one another. Damage to taxi amounted to between \$600 and \$700. Detective Crevier investigated.

Break Windows in Office

Chief L'Heureux and Const. Trapeur were patrolling with the police car at 1:00 a.m. December 18th, they arrested Norbert Baker, who was drunk and had broken the windows in the E. C. Martin office on King Street. The man appeared before James E. Barrett, J.P., later the same day and was fined \$10 and costs and also for the damage done.

Several Collisions Past Week

A collision occurred at the intersection of Prince and Dalhousie streets at 4:15 p.m. on December 18th and involved two cars. One was driven by Mr. Glenn White of Howick and had stopped at Prince Street, he started away from the stop sign in a west to east direction and was hit at the back by a car driven by Frederic Bell of Verdun. Damage resulted to the White car to the extent of about \$50.00.

A Collision Occurred at 7:45 p.m.

On December 20th in the front of No. 10 Henderson Street, Rene Garley, 109 Wellington Street, was travelling south to north on Henderson and collided with Leouida Fortin, 26 Chalmers Street, who was travelling north to south on the same street. The collision resulted in about \$100 to each car and two persons were treated by Dr. F. G. McCrimmon at the Huntingdon County Hospital. Mrs. Aline Fortin, wife of the driver of the Fortin car was treated for an injury to the left ear. Miss Denise Garley who was in the other car was treated for contusions of the forehead.

Dies Result of Wound

No doubt many of our readers will remember the report on Thomas Clark, age 61, employed on the farm of Mr. Leblanc of Huntingdon, who shot himself with a 33 rifle, on October 17th. Mr. Clark died on December 18th as a result of the wound he received in the right temple, at the Notre Dame Hospital, Montreal. The body was brought to the Kelly Funeral Parlor and Dr. George Lefebvre, Coroner, after examining the body returned a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind. Deed. Crevier investigated the case.

second went to James B. McCoy

McCoy Bros., Huntingdon. (In the latter respect, it was conjectured whether Jim McCoy would fit a stall in his brother Dave's Horse Stable and subsequently enter the calf at Ormstown Exhibition, Huntingdon Fair and the Red and White Show.)

The following officers and directors were appointed and elected. President—Alan H. Wilson. Past President—Robert MacParlane, Howick.

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New Customs House Opened At Covey Hill Wednesday

Wm. Keddy & Son, Hemmingford, in Charge of Construction, Etc.

The new Covey Hill Customs House was officially opened on Wednesday afternoon. The ribbon, marking the opening, was cut by Mr. D. E. Black, M.P. A goodly number of the local citizenry was present including Mayor Henri Turcotte of Havelock Township accompanied by the members of the municipal council. Mr. C. I. Jackson, Hemmingford, who is the head collector of Customs in that area expressed himself as very much pleased with the new Customs House, which he in turn thought would prove to be a much more efficient office and better located. The old Customs House at Covey Hill was located on the wrong side of the road and was consequently the intersection of roads, consequently it was quite possible for a vehicle to slip past the Customs House without reporting. The new Customs House is located close to the International Boundary Line. The new Customs House has something like 750 feet of frontage along the highway.

Mr. R. J. Bourdon, who for many years has been the local customs officer at Covey Hill, will continue in that post and will move the office furnishing over the week-end so that by to-day the new building is being put to its intended purpose.

Following the official opening of the Customs House by Mr. Black, Mr. Bourdon called upon several people to make short remarks: including C. M. Oney, Huntingdon Chief Collector of Customs and C. I. Jackson, Hemmingford Chief Collector of Customs; Mr. Henri Turcotte, Mayor of Havelock; Messrs W. A. Churchill; John Ledoux, St. Christy; K. R. Urquhardt, Hemmingford; and others.

The new Customs House was built by Wm. Keddy & Son of Hemmingford. As to architecture it is identical to that built and officially opened a few weeks ago at Herdman. The excavation work was done by Roman Priest of John Houle of Huntingdon whilst Wm. Greer of Ormstown did the plastering. In addition to the actual Customs House a double garage has been built. When it came to boring the well for water the drill had to go 95 feet deep into rock.

The reported cost of the Customs House is \$12,000 and the cost for the entire construction will be \$17,500.

Following the inspection of the Customs House by the many people present Mr. and Mrs. Keddy duly assisted by their many friends served afternoon tea. The elaborate refreshments for such an event were greatly enjoyed.

Huntingdon High School Christmas Exam Results

So that parents may have a clear picture of the results of the Christmas examinations in the High School, and with the hope that the publication of these results may lead to increased effort in the new year, the following have been classified into four groups—A, B, C, D, according to their standing at present. Pupils in the first two groups are doing good work, with in some cases, a weak subject in one subject. The work of pupils in groups C and D is unsatisfactory and greater effort is necessary. Generally speaking a grade of C means two weak subjects with a percentage of from 60 to 70, and D means more than two weak subjects with a percentage in the fifties. Too much importance should not be given to these first term marks, but on the other hand, they present a fairly accurate picture of the present standing of pupils in Huntingdon High School.

GRADE I
A—Larry Cameron, Kenneth Shearer, Ole Neilson, Jamil West, Carol D'Avignon, Gail Godin, Beverley Hamilton, Marsha Hooker, Sandra Leggett, Margaret Lieberman, Lillian Moore, Nancy Robb, Anna Stark, Jean Taylor, Wanda White, Betty Wilson.

GRADE II
A—Shirley Caldwell, Linda Dahms.
B—Leslie Abbott, Billy Barrington, George Bell, Donald Charron, Serge Charron, Sheila Coglend, Gordon, Jerry Harrigan, Burton Lindsay, Stewart Robinson, Linda Wallace.
C—John Arthur, Allan D'Avignon, Lawrence Harrigan, Kenneth Patenaude, Jimmy Valcourt.
D—Dorothy Johnson, Alberta Helm, Norris Patenaude.

GRADE III
1st. Annie Liversidge, 2nd. Jane Palatini, 3rd. Karen Evans, Dorothy Forget.
Rank A—Karen Evans, Dorothy Forget, Shirley Graham, Grant Hawley, Kenneth Hunter, Harold Kelly, Allison Liversidge, Keith Long, Jane Palatini, Kathleen Reid, John Shearer, Cyril Stewart.
Rank B—JoAnn Helm, Sheldon Levine, Helen McCracken, Shirley Middleship, Wayne Milne, Sheldon Rosenschon, Anne Sizole, Shirley Stirling, Dorothy Thompson, Wayne

Law to Eliminate Reckless Driving Passed at Quebec

QUEBEC (CP)—The Legislative Assembly passed unanimously a government bill to eliminate reckless and incompetent driving in an effort to cut down the province's high accident rate.

Premier Duplessis called for the vote on final reading of the bill which proposed establishment of drivers' tests. The vote was 77 to 0. Mr. Duplessis said there are about 700,000 holders of driver's permits in the province, and of these at least 600,000 are known to be competent and experienced. The remaining 100,000 will have to pass driver's tests before permits are re-issued to them.

Christmas Seal Fund Now Totals \$903.00

Still Many More to Hear From Before Sale of Seals Completed

Below we publish a further list of the contributions made to the Christmas Seal fund and which fund has now reached the total of \$903.00. All replies have not been received from the letters sent out and it is hoped that those who have not yet replied, will do so in the very near future.

\$1.00 — Ladies' Dutch Club.
\$5.00 — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pace, R. L. Derick (Lacolle Customs), Dr. Gaw, H. A. D. Somerville, M.L.A., Thos. Higgins and Sons, M. Le Chanoiné A. Pigeon.
\$2.00 — Mrs. Mae O'Connor, Dr. Harold Purcell, Delbert Henderson, Lea Cappiello, W. K. Pope, Moise Lavalley, Mrs. Evelyn Walker, John E. Elder, Hugh Graham Blake, Delbert Goodfellow, Mrs. Agatha Lachance, Marcus Walsh, Colin Campbell, N.P., Mrs. F. H. Hunter.
\$1.00 — J. Parent, Leon and Miss Beaudin, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Heath, Mrs. R. H. Donnelly, George M. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Girard, Thos. Vine, Miss Alice Vine, Emerson McNair, Arthur Spivey, Don McNeil, Ernest Cunningham, Andrew McGrover, G. W. Sheard, Rev. Emile Moreau, Pire Curé, F. E. McKee, J. H. Tremblay, J. A. C. Quezine, H. N. Johnson, Howard Patenaude, Wm. J. Todd, Chas. Cassidy, Ross M. Fraser, W. R. Perry, Clifford Dwy, F. Kenney and Son, Miss Berta McNaughton, W. Walter Barr, Peter and Miss Reid, George M. Brown, C. Fergus Moore, George McKee, Mrs. Bertha Kavanagh, Allan Fisher, Richard Fisher, Halton Kennedy, Edmour Castagnier, Rupert Enderle, Eddie Berthiaume, Mrs. Howard King, D. M. Laurie, A. E. Curran, Grant Thompson, Dan Hadley, Geo. Sutton, Lyle Currie, Antoine Mathieu Jr., Hidalla Caza, Chas. and Omar Harvey, Olivier L. Leblanc.

CHRISTMAS Greetings



Merry Christmas

The value of our friendships is appreciated more and more as we go further and further on our business journey. To our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Pringle, Stark & Co.
Phone 2909
Huntingdon



Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year - To All -

To all our friends and customers we hope that we may continue to serve you in 1953. We thank you for past patronage.


Chez Cecile
111 Chateaugay St. Huntingdon, Que.



Sincere Wishes

Our sincerest wishes for the merriest Christmas time of your life and the happiest New Year.

F. LEFEBVRE & SON REG'D
High Class Tailors and Clothiers
Gent's Furnishings
PHONE 471 • HUNTINGDON



Best Holiday Wishes

Gay is the season, and jolly are the faces we see. Once more we extend to you and your family our very best wishes for the holidays.

VALMA'S BEAUTY SALON
Mr. and Mrs. Benoit
Phone 374 Huntingdon 113 Chateaugay St.


Legend of St. Fillian's Stones

At Killin, Perthshire, Scotland, the villagers pull rushes each Christmas from a nearby stream to make a resting-place for a number of stones taken from the gables of an ancient corn-mill. They are not ordinary stones, for the villagers believe that they were used centuries ago by their patron saint, St. Fillian, to cure ague, sprains, and other ailments and injuries.

Lights go on again at 'The Old George'

Among many famous buildings in London which were destroyed or damaged by bombs in 1940 was the George Inn in the Strand. In the 18th century it was a famous coffee house, and its most illustrious patrons were Dr. Johnson, James Boswell and Oliver Goldsmith. The inn has now been restored and Christmas fare will again be served this year at "The Old George", as it is fondly called.

Merry Christmas



Greetings of the season to one and all. Enjoy always the spirit and warmth of Christmas.

Z. GAGNON
Barber Shop
Huntingdon



The Pace Egg Play

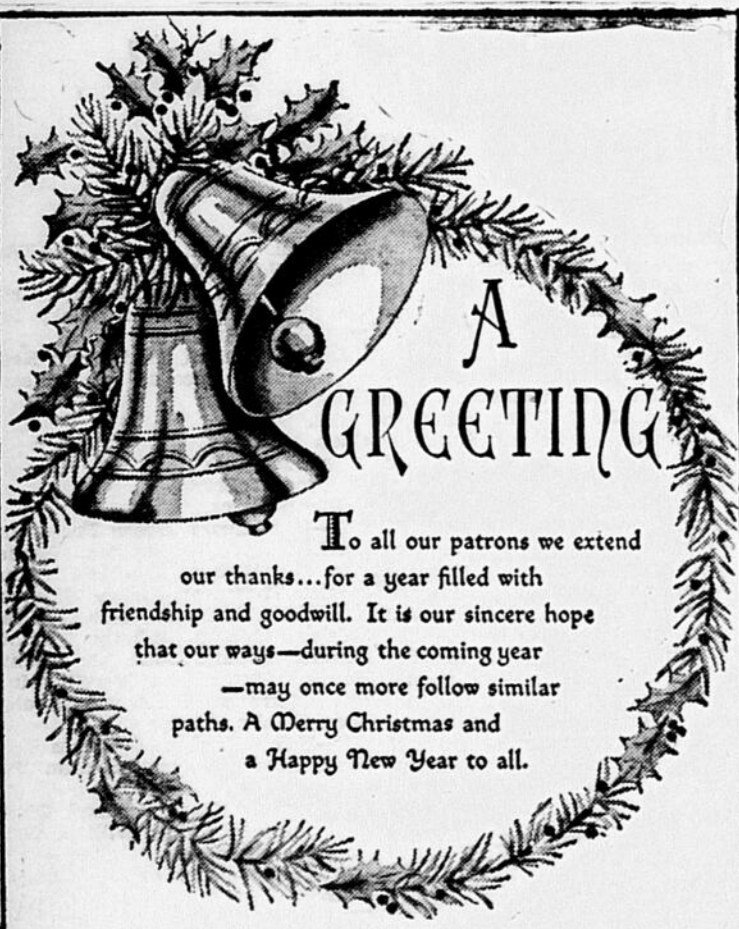
Every year in scattered villages in the North of England, shepherds, farm hands and others perform the ancient Pace-egg or Mummery Play at Christmas. With blackened faces and fancy clothes, they repeat the words handed down for centuries. Chief actors are King (or Saint) George, a quack doctor and Father Christmas. In the play, the King slays his enemies one by one, but each in turn is resurrected by the doctor. One of the oldest of the "mumming" troupes is that at Alderley Edge, bordering on Cheshire and Derbyshire.

Season's Greetings

To all our friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings for a joyous Holiday Season.



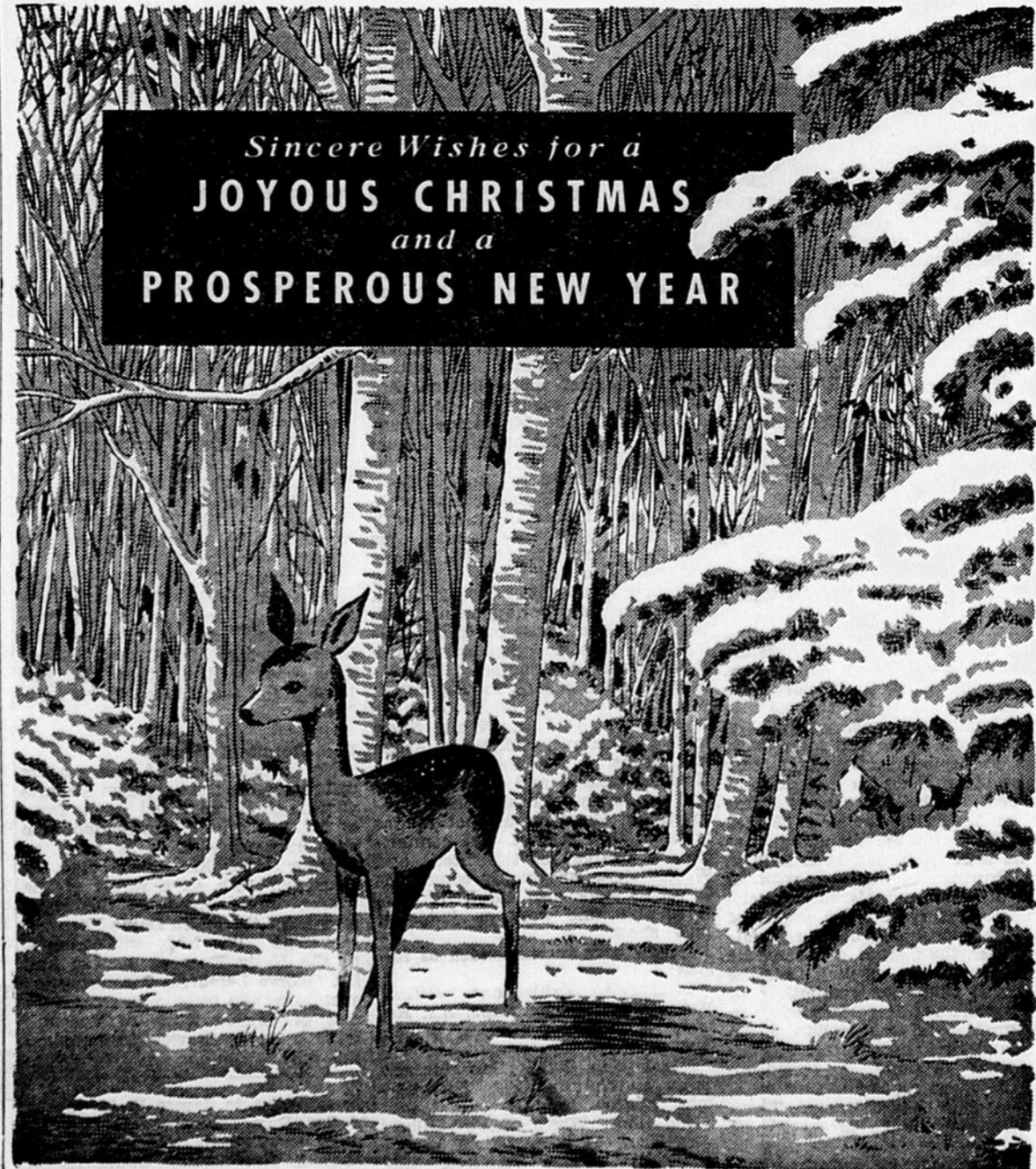
RIVERSIDE MOTORS REG'D
J. M. SMELLIE AND STAFF
Phone 2933 Huntingdon



A GREETING

To all our patrons we extend our thanks... for a year filled with friendship and goodwill. It is our sincere hope that our ways—during the coming year—may once more follow similar paths. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

HUNTINGDON 5c to \$1.00 STORE
79 Chateaugay St. Huntingdon, P.Q.



Sincere Wishes for a JOYOUS CHRISTMAS and a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Garage Leduc Enrg.
Dealer for John Deere Quality Farm Equipment
PHONE 2166 :: HUNTINGDON, QUE.

Christmas Greetings



To you:
we extend hearty wishes for happiness at Christmastime and for the New Year!

KELLY & LANKTREE REG'D
"THE FAMILY SHOE STORE"
Huntingdon, Que.


Christmas Greetings



Our best wishes are on board Santa's sleigh as he spreads good cheer throughout the land. Our best to everyone!

ELINOR'S Beauty Shop
Elinor Blachford
HUNTINGDON, QUE.

Christmas




May all the exciting joys of Christmas remain with you and your loved ones every day of the New Year

E. J. HOLM
McCOLL - FRONTENAC SERVICE
Phone 355 Huntingdon

GREETINGS

Happily, do we follow a wonderful old custom of wishing all our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



ROBERT TRANSPORT REG'D
GUSTAVE HOULE, Prop.
Huntingdon, Que.

A JOYFUL SEASON

The remembrance of friends is one of the outstanding joys of Christmas. No wonder then, that we get such pleasure in the approach of the Holiday season, with its all-pervading spirit of friendship and good will. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.



FAWCETT & GRANT LIMITED
Huntingdon, Que.

Editorial Notes...

Once Again It's Christmas

TOMORROW, the whole Christian world will be celebrating the festive season of Christmas, December 25th, Christmas Day. In these parts of the world, Christmas is associated with wintry weather, snow, cold, sleigh bells and so forth.

No matter what the weather, this Christmas feast is probably the greatest one of all Christian observances. It is the day on which a Saviour was born, the only begotten Son of God sent to save the world from sin.

A Native Son Passes To Great Reward

HUNTINGDON has been the home of many who have carved names for themselves in public life and we are naturally proud that our native sons have done so well.

The Currie Report - Who Is To Blame?

NO doubt by this time, most people have read the Currie Report or heard about it and perhaps have noticed the re-actions in the Federal Parliamentary circles.

We read about horses being on the payroll of the army, materials being used for other purposes and charged up to construction, thefts from a certain camp and dams that have been built and nicknamed.

Members in Opposition benches have loudly cried for the resignation of the Defence Minister and even the Prime Minister, because these things have come to pass.

The Talking Horse - Lady Wonder

YOU have probably all heard of "Francis" the talking mule of film fame and no doubt a number of you have seen those talking animals shorts that are shown at the movies from time to time.

There are naturally many persons who are skeptical of the powers of this horse and as a consequence several people have made investigations to see what the horse can do and if there is any trickery.

herds who heard the Angels' song and the Glory which shone upon the earth and the Peace and Goodwill which was brought to all men.

We need to dwell upon these thoughts in this day and age, for if we be true Christians, this is the real reason for celebration. It is not the presents that pass from one to another at this time.

It is a happy time, a time when families that have been separated come together for a family re-union to renew family ties and to break bread one with another.

Random Glimpses of The Past Taken from Gleaner Files

Random Glimpses of The Past Taken from Gleaner Files

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January 23 On the 3rd of May at the Garrick Theatre, the Chicago College of Dental Surgery conferred the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery on John E. McArthur of Georgetown, formerly a pupil of Huntingdon Academy.

July 21 The telephone line up the Trout River erected by the Bell Company is completed all except the installation of the instruments.

October 13 There were two autos in the village on Sunday, a black one from Malone and a red one from Valleyfield.

November 10 The Rev. Walter G. Brown, of British Columbia, preached in St. Andrew's Sunday evening to a large congregation.

November 17 A pig 20c a pound for dressed turkey did not promote the thanksgiving spirit.

December 22 There have been a few changes of property in the village Mr. Hyndman has sold two of his village lots, one to R. S. Peeny, the other to Jos. Durnin.

December 22 Arrangements have been completed for the opening of a Post Office at John Paul's, adjoining the side road.

December 22 There was only one tender for the dining hall at the coming fair, that from the ladies of St. Andrew's who got it for \$55.

December 22 For the first time butter touched 20c at the dairy board on Friday. It was the only board at which that price was paid.

December 22 The Angels also sang of Peace and Good-will. But we more readily respond even to worship, as we look upon the Holy Child, than to a belief that He came to bring Peace and Goodwill among men.

The world is still filled with strife and War. No token tribute therefore, no formal assent to these Divine remedies for War and national hatred or racial discrimination will suffice.

John Milton is chiefly known as the poet who wrote Paradise Lost, the theme and language of which are so remote from modern life and literature that they have no name for most people in this prosaic age.

But there is no new world today; it is the same old world, inhabited by the same kind of human beings with basically the same ideas and prejudices as those who lived here a hundred or two thousand years ago.

Milton lived in a time of political and religious upheaval, and he took an active part in the public controversies of his day.

He championed the cause of the revolutionaries, and as an idealist he waxed eloquent at the prospect of an earthly paradise in England under the new Commonwealth.

But he was not like our Communists. He was a profoundly religious and vigorous champion of individual freedom.

With the achievement of power under Cromwell he found that the Puritans were more intolerant than the bishops whom he had previously attacked.

Milton was not a closeted or ivory-tower poet. In his earlier poems, like Shakespeare, he scanned the whole of life. He could "Hail divinest Melancholy," and "walk the studious cloister pale," but in turn he could enter into the "jest and youthful jollity of Merry England, with its quips and cranks, and wanton wiles."

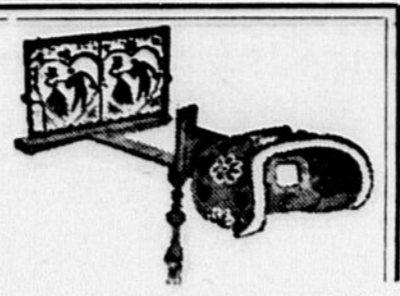
"Laughter holding both its sides. Upon a trip as we go. On the light fantastic toe." He seemed to leave that all behind when he entered into the movement for the establishment of an earthly paradise under a "Government of saints."

He wrote Paradise Lost after the fall of that government, and although the poem has reference to the Garden of Eden, the poet was writing as a disillusioned Utopian.

Present-day ministers of the Gospel who are "weary in well doing" and disappointed at the delay of the coming of the kingdom of heaven on this earth, and who are attracted to Communism as a shortcut to the millennium, could learn something from Milton's political experience.

In his most famous pamphlet in defence of liberty, written during the Cromwellian regime, Milton stated his main beliefs as a Christian philosopher. Those beliefs have been summed-up in brief by Prof. E. M. W. Tillyard as follows:

"Man is born with the seeds of good and evil in him; mere environment cannot determine his character; in the most favorable environment evil might come out; But man has power of choice; and knowing both good and evil it is possible for him to choose good. The present world may not ever be perfect, but it may be



Christmas Messages From Local Clergy

The Angels' Song

The heavenly chorus sung by the Angels over the fields of Bethlehem gives us the true key-note for Christmas. It spoke to devout shepherds of the "Glory of the Lord, and led them at once to proceed to the town and to worship the new-born Child lying in the manger.

The words of the song are for us all the real cause of Christmas. Over all, and through all our celebrating must be heard the song of "Angels from the realms of Glory."

And so these words first of all should lift our hearts Godwards in worship. "Glory to God in the Highest." How different it would be at Christmas if domestic joys should blend with, and find their climax in "Things of great joy to all people."

How much more fitting if all our enthusiasm and generosity led us to think first of all of Him who alone is worthy of the tribute of happy hearts! What if Christmas giving brought home to us the One to whom we can make our highest gift—that of ourselves? For, as one Editor has put it, "gradually the emphasis is shifting from the Advent to the Advertisement."

Wise men watch sales and not Stars". If the heavenly song does find its echo in our hearts, we surely will give Glory to God in the Highest. Lately we have seen a whole city moved by the excitement of Foot-ball. The pick of athletes was there; high purpose and the will to win; money in abundance and time without stint—all were part of the show. Now sport has its rightful place, but it has usurped a place in our life to-day that is worthy of a better cause.

Does not idolatry itself spring from this complete dedication to ends that are lesser and lower than the highest?

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The world is still filled with strife and War. No token tribute therefore, no formal assent to these Divine remedies for War and national hatred or racial discrimination will suffice.

Did we not at one time believe the United Nations would make real the Peace we had hoped for? But to-day we need something that shall make the will to Peace effective.

And what is that? It is God's will. It is the spirit of the Child, which comes into its own at Christmas, and the spirit of Home and the Home-coming of all men everywhere whom the Father would welcome to His fellowship.

To an open house in the evening Home shall men come. To an older place than Eden. To a taller town than Rome. To the end of the way of the wandering Star.

To the things that cannot be, and that are. To the place where God was homeless. And all men are at home."

REV. W. W. CONRAD.

What Christmas Means

Once again our thoughts are turned to one of the most joyous seasons of the Christian year, Christmas. It is a time when people want to be happy, pleasant and kind.

A spirit of cheerfulness pervades our homes, our institutions and all places where Christian people gather together. It is one season of the year when people realize that much good can be accomplished among mankind through an unselfish spirit.

This spirit walks abroad at Christmas time. It opens our eyes to the wants of others and also our responsibility. It speaks of love, not hate; of peace, not war.

It takes us to the manger in Bethlehem to behold the Christ Child who came into this world to make it a better place for all people.

This is the side of Christmas which must always be kept in mind. This is what Christmas means. At a time when so much emphasis is laid upon the material side of life we are apt to lose sight of the fundamentals.

This is particularly true of the Christmas season. There is so much to do, so much to see, that there is seldom time to consider Jesus, the reason for all our Christmas Activities and whose birthday we celebrate.

Let us hear afresh the words of the shepherds who said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass." I wish one and all a Merry Christmas.

Rev. W. S. Hatcher.

Christmas Message 1952

In Matthew 2:1-2, we read There came wise men from the East to Jerusalem saying "Where is He, that is born King of the Jews; for we have seen His star in the East and come to worship Him. These wise men, came in more ways than

one, had travelled from afar and it took considerable time to travel even a few miles in that day. They were men who took note of the stars in their courses, of which there were many and yet there was one star singled out above all others, this one was His star. Said they — We have seen His Star. That is significant.

We today need to lift our eyes from the far too many common things about us and morose at this time. Let us look into the heart of God's firmament and see His star which is Christ the Lord whose birthday we shall soon celebrate.

Arriving at Jerusalem they made this enquiry: "Where is He? Perhaps it was all very strange to them that so few knew about Christ's birth and yet so near to Him, but they found Him. This is a good question for our modern world. Where is He? As we look into our world not so much of attractions but distractions things, things, things, everywhere, until we are weary and tired out before the great day arrives, we ask what has all this confusion about, what has it all to do with the real meaning of Christmas, and where is Christ in the midst of it all. Is it any wonder that one man prayed 'Lord forgive us our Christmases!'

Where is he today of whom the multitude of heavenly host praised God at His birth and of whom the wise men travelled from afar to worship Him and offer Him their gifts, and the shepherds pondered at all the things which they had seen and glorified God. No doubt we are looking for Him in many and strange ways, where surely He cannot be found. But He is still among us. If we would but understand Him, and His call on them, every human heart for whom Christ was born, lived and died.

Be assured He is not found in all the din and noise and confusion of our modern Christmas preparation. He is not in all the lights and bright lights, or in the Santa Claus parade which is only a means of trade advertising. He is not found in the glass drunk in shame in the name of the Holy Child Jesus. He is not found in any one of these.

He is found where there is human need and sorrow and suffering. Where people are gathering themselves to relieve the distress of their fellow-man. He is found where people are trying to cheer the lonely and sad hearts, in people who are kind, sympathetic and serving others in any way in the Master's name. In all these places Christ is found.

In spite of all the things that distract us at this busy season if we will but open our eyes and earnestly and sincerely search for the Christ we will find Him for He is not far from each one of us. Pray then that God may give you the spiritual insight which will enable you to see Christ right now and let one and all not only think of the babe of Bethlehem but of Christ the Saviour born to redeem you and me and the world from sin. There is the kind of happy Christmas I wish you all.

Sincerely Yours, Rev. T. Knowles.

Gladness, Peace, Worship

Christmas should be a time of Gladness for it marks the birth of a King whose Kingdom is one of Righteousness and Joy. As one New Testament writer puts it, "The New Year was marked, and we have seen it, and bear witness." The fires of a volcano slumber long unseem, giving evidences now and again of their existence, but suddenly erupt with tremendous energy, lighting up land and sky.

So the Love of God was always there but now has burst forth in glory to fill the world with Grace and Truth. Let joy therefore be unconfined. Let all the happy associations of this day have full sway. This is a festival of the home and Family as well as of the Church and community of life. But let nothing be indulged which mars the body, pollutes the mind, or degrades the soul. Let our joy be not artificial, induced by external devices but spontaneous, springing from the knowledge that He has visited and redeemed His people.

Christmas should be a time of Peace. A good case might be made out for the value of peace and struggle in human life. But surely today we have a surfeit of that. We desperately need peace within and without. That is God's Christmas gift to us. To all who are inwardly chaotic and who are troubling themselves and others the angel song comes in invitation: "Lift up your eyes to God, Glorify Him and He will bestow upon you His peace which passes understanding."

Christmas should be a time of Worship. In this the Wise Men they saw the Christ-Child, they worshipped. It is good but to draw near to God. The Church's doors are wide open to all who would worship. Yet the worship of the sanctuary is but one expression of the worshipful life. Life is sacred and should be lived reverently. This is the crowning glory of mankind—to live before God worshipfully. Christmas means many things to us. May it mean these at least—Gladness, Peace, Worship.

R. D. MacLEAN, Minister, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Keep Christmas Christian

To my parishioners of St-Joseph's Church, and to all the members of the constituency of Huntingdon, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With you all, I turn towards the crib and say: O Divine Child, Merry Christmas. We promise you that on Christmas day and on every day of our life, we will do our best to give "Glory to God in the Highest" and to pray and to work to obtain "Peace upon earth to men of good will." On the occasion of Christmas, let us keep our beautiful and pious traditions, let us keep Christmas Christian.

Arthur Pigeon, Pastor St. Joseph's Church.

Greetings and every good wish for Christmas and the New Year

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The Greatest Gift

One notable feature of the Christmas Season is the Giving and Receiving of gifts. Children have learned to expect them, and their elders also are glad of the opportunity to make gifts to one another in token of loving friendship.

It is the universal custom and a blessing goes with it. Receiving is a blessed experience and we are told on the highest authority that it is more blessed to give than to receive. Indeed, this custom is of the very essence of Christmas Day, for on that day of the Christian year we celebrate the greatest of all gifts and glorify the greatest of all givers, God, the Eternal Father, who His only-begotten Son to us for our eternal salvation. It is the Birth of Jesus in Bethlehem of Judea that we are called on to celebrate on Christmas Day; and it is the atmosphere of that first day of His earthly life that is the very breath of our Christian life today. It is well for us to keep this in mind, and to regard the Day and the Season as Holiness unto the Lord.

But even in Christian communities the Holy Day and Season have come to be regarded as only another holiday time, and are too generally marked by rioting and drunkenness on the part of many who know better but do not act according to their knowledge. And in recent years Big Business has invaded this sacred preserve and generally the opportunity to make this period the biggest week of their business year. They have seized the harmless myth of Childhood, Santa

and Diane of Aubrey were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. MacDonald and visited with their mother, Mrs. Dear on Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Anderson and Ida accompanied her son Charles and Frederick to Cornwall on Saturday. They visited at the home of Mr. Thomas Craig and daughter, Mrs. Hart.

Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Elder were John D. Elder, Mrs. Murtha and Beverley and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Elder, Mrs. Mary Davidson, Dawn, Karen and Gordon, and Allen Reid.

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Huntingdon Locals

St. Andrew's W.M.S.

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S. was held in the Annex on Wednesday, December 17th, with the president, Mrs. George Paul, in the chair. The Scripture reading was the Christmas story read in unison. The secretary, Miss Turner, read letters of acknowledgment from Mrs. McCole and Miss Cluff. Mrs. Hamilton gave the financial report, which was very encouraging. The luncheon held recently was reported a success, and all were pleased with the results. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Walker for her valued work in the Home Helper department. The sale of used clothing sent to the Supply Secretary was valued at about \$125.

Much regret was expressed that Mrs. Bruce had suffered an injury from a fall, and is at present in hospital. It was decided to send her a gift of flowers. The secretary was instructed to send cards to the shut-ins as usual. The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for 1953, with one exception all officers were re-elected for the coming year. At the close of the meeting, thirty-two small Christmas boxes were filled with home-made candy, cookies, fruitcake, jellies and jams, wrapped and labelled, and packed in two large cartons. These were sent to Mrs. Leathdale, Presbyterian hospital visitor for the Old People's Home in Montreal.

Two Hospital Memorial Rooms Furnished

The Board of Governors of the Huntingdon County Hospital have been informed by Mrs. W. E. Barrie that she wishes to donate to the hospital the equivalent of furnishing a private room as a memorial to her late husband, W. E. Barrie, M.P. The Board of Governors appreciate the gift being made by Mrs. Barrie and likewise that of Mrs. N. F. Manning who also intended some time ago that she wished to furnish a private room as a memorial to her late husband, N. F. Manning, and who took such an active part during his lifetime in behalf of the Hospital.

Passed 25th Test

The farm of B. A. Rankin "Erin Haven" has recently passed its 25th Free Test. There are 70 head of Holsteins on the farm.

Mr. Howard Kelly, University of Western Ontario, London, Ont., is spending his Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. Kelly, in Huntingdon.

Miss Mae Perkins of the R.C.A.F. is spending her Christmas leave with her mother, Mrs. A. W. Perkins, Huntingdon. Mae is to report to Camp Borden on January 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Heath, Niagara Falls, Ont., are spending three weeks visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Heath, Huntingdon. Mr. Donnie Heath of the R.C.N., who is stationed at Cornwallis, N.S., is spending Christmas with his parents but will return to Cornwallis on Sunday, December 28th.

United Church Christmas Party in Huntingdon enjoyed a Christmas programme and party on Wednesday, December 17th, in the Church basement. The highlight of the evening was the Wedding of the Painted Doll pantomimed by the very small children, the solo role being filled by Mrs. M. Reese. Santa Claus arrived following the programme and the children received

Huntingdon

A Very Merry Xmas to All

We are closed Christmas Eve and all Day Christmas! Starts Friday, Dec. 26 until Tuesday Night!

Joseph COTTEN
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in an engrossing story filled with suspense

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gifts and candy. Rev. Knowles presented the prizes from the National Temperance Study Course. The St. John's Church Sunday School held the Annual Xmas Tree on Dec. 18 when 40 children and 10 adults sat down to a delicious supper. Three Christmas films were shown and each child received a gift of a bag of candy and an orange from Santa. All left for home after an enjoyable evening.

The Junior W.A. held their Annual Supper at the home of Mrs. George Hood. After supper, carols were sung and games were played. Each girl received a present from the tree and all spent an enjoyable evening.

Buried In Coal

An 18-year-old youth, Mr. Robert, was buried in coal while unloading a car of coal near the Huntingdon Woolen Mills on Friday. The coal was frozen and the other workmen were unloading from the bottom of the load. Robert was on top of the load attempting to loosen it when it caved in. He was covered in coal with only his head protruding. A number of men from the Huntingdon Woolen Mills Ltd., were called and gave their assistance in rescuing the young workman.

Thanks of Canadian Legion

The Huntingdon Branch of Canadian Legion No. 81 wishes to thank The Huntingdon Theatre, Riel Bros. Transport, The Huntingdon Gleaner and the Huntingdon Dutch Club and others who contributed gifts for the tree in The Huntingdon Theatre. This was the first year this has been tried and the results were very gratifying. The gifts have been sent to hospitals for veterans who will be forced to spend the Christmas in such institutions.

Gleaner Will Be Printed

Owing to the holiday season, The Gleaner will be printed on Tuesday, December 30th, and all advertisers and correspondents are asked to have their copy in early on Monday morning, December 29th, at the latest, in order to assure such be printed in next week's edition. This is necessary in order to have all publications out on time and to give the employees the New Year holiday.

The Huntingdon County Hospital, Huntingdon, has received and acknowledged the following \$10. membership from Mrs. Carrie French, Athelstan, Que. and the following donations: \$25, Athelstan W.A.; \$25, Athelstan Presbyterian Ladies' Aid; \$20, Powerscourt W.A.

Howick-Huntingdon.

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Vice President - Russel Logan, Howick.

Secretary-Treasurer - Archie Roy, Howick.

Auditor - J. Earle Ness, Howick.

Directors: Huntingdon district - Louis Cote; Gilbert MacMillan; Wallace Renne; Henry Wallace; J. Grant Whyte.

Dundee - Louis Plante.

Ormsdown district - John K. Dickson; Andrew Glen; Even MacDougall; Duncan Neely; John Rodger.

Howick district - J. Bruce Cairncross; Mitchell A. Ness; Peter Peddie; James Scobie; Robert Templeton.

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St. Chrysostome - Oscar Valliant.

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RAY BOLGER

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April in Paris with CLAUDE DALPHIN

THE RESULT OF A SKID ON SLIPPERY ROAD



The above is what happened when a taxi driven by Ernest McCracken and owned by Brunette's Taxi, went out of control on top of a hill on Route No. 52, just outside the Town of Huntingdon. Fortunately no one was hurt, but damage to the taxi amounted to between \$600 and \$700. Just why it turned over on its top, no one seems to know, it happened just that quickly.

Law to Eliminate....

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Marler said he favored "great severity" in the case of persons who "persist in breaking the law." He also approved punishment of persons who make false statements when applying for licences or permits.

In answer to a point raised in a memorandum presented by a delegation of the recently-formed Federation of Industrial Organizations (F.I.O.) Premier Duplessis said a health insurance program for Quebec would result in a group of unambitious mass-produced physicians.

The memorandum, besides asking for a health insurance program, asked that Quebec's margarine be lifted and higher old age pensions be given.

The premier reiterated his government's view that the ban on production of margarine and its sale must stick.

The memorandum asked that old age pensions without a means test be given to men aged 65 and women aged 60. The pensions, should be raised from \$40 to \$60 monthly the memorandum said.

"Just" to force a 65-year-old man to retire, but there could be improvement in the pensions plan if there was a re-distribution of taxation powers.

The Legislative Assembly also passed a government bill to extend Provincial rent controls until May 1, 1954. The vote called by Premier Duplessis, was 78-0.

Speaking at the close of a long debate on the rentals bill, Mr. Duplessis lashed out at landlords who take means to evict large families or who intimidate married couples into not having children.

To be valid, under Quebec Civil Code, a contract must have "a moral purpose." Restraining the size of a family was immoral.

"Any landlords who place such odious conditions on the leasing of a dwelling are immoral and do not deserve to be called Canadians," he said.

The Liberal opposition charged administration of controls was inefficient and affected by political considerations.

Provincial rent controls were imposed in May, 1951, when Federal wartime rent controls were lifted after the supreme court of Canada ruled the provinces could impose them.

Gifts Handsomely Wrapped To Brighten This Christmas

Be the gift humbly practical, expensively precious or modestly whimsical; be it for friend, relative or for the home, you can endow every one with an extra quality of gaiety and warmth by the manner in which you present it.

The secret is in the way you choose and use the colorful wrappings, the great variety of tie-on devices, the engraved seals, and the brilliant ribbons that are available.

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"On demande un Assassin" avec FERNANDEL NOELLA NORMAND

"Brigade Criminelle" avec JEAN DAVY - GILBERT GIL

The Management of this Theatre extends to you A Very Merry Christmas.

We also want to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to each and every one of you for your loyal patronage during the past year.

THE MANAGEMENT

Graham Plow Discussion Arouses Great Interest

Film Shown at Howick Draws Good Attendance To Prove Wide Interest

A moving picture and subsequent discussion on the Graham Plow, the most revolutionary agricultural tillage implement for a great many years, created much interest among a group of about 150 Howick farmers, on Monday evening, December 8. The event was arranged largely through the efforts of Robert E. Ness and Oakley MacRae, of Howick, who were very impressed with a Graham Plow demonstration at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto, and who arranged to have Mr. L. Lemaitre, of St. Hilaire (the Quebec agent) come to this district and present the film. The affair was organized on very short notice, and the good attendance in the school lunch room, where the showing was held, attested to the wide interest this new implement has aroused.

The film opened with a brief outline of the basic principle of this machine, which can better be described as a big chisel, than a true plow in the usual sense. The idea of the implement, somewhat similar to a heavy grubber, is to break up the soil and subsoil to a considerable depth without mixing them to any great extent, and leaving most of the trash on the surface of the ground. In this way, the soil is opened down to a maximum of about 22 inches to permit excess water to seep into the ground, rather than run off, and the trash is left on top to help prevent wind and water erosion, which are such great problems in some areas of this continent. The construction of the machine is very simple, consisting principally of a heavy frame of steel beams, on which are mounted curved, pointed teeth twenty-two inches long, and one foot apart. The number of teeth varies from 45, in the largest type, made for use in Western areas, to 5, in the smallest, which can be handled by most small tractors. The frame is carried on two rubber-tired wheels, and in operation, the machine is trailed behind a tractor, with the teeth adjusted through adjusting levers to whatever depth it is desired to penetrate. The shape of the teeth draws them into the ground, and their action is largely to shatter and open the soil. The larger sizes, twenty to forty-five feet seem to be used generally for use with crawler tractors, as considerable power would be required to haul them. The smaller sizes can apparently be handled by the average size of rubber-tired tractors, such as are in common use around here.

The film showed many views of the various types of soil and under all conditions (stubble, sod, summer-fallow, etc.) After the film, Mr. Lemaitre opened a discussion, and it was then that those present were able to get answers to many questions they had. Almost all had heard of the Graham Plow before this, and all were very interested in details. Mr. Lemaitre had on hand one of the teeth with which the machine is equipped. One could not help but be impressed with its strength. It was obviously almost unbreakable, and fitted with a spring-release, as each tooth is individually, it would certainly stand up to great abuse from stones, etc.

M. Lemaitre stressed the point that plowing with this implement was simpler than with a customary plow, but not much quicker. This is because a field must be covered at least three times with a Graham Plow before the operation is completed. That is, travelling in one direction first with the teeth lowered only 6-8 inches, then travelling across the first with the teeth somewhat lower, then a third round travelling in a different direction again, with the teeth down to 14 inches or so. Therefore, the depth is achieved gradually, and the implement can be handled by average tractors, and by making three trips, much more shattering of lumps

is obtained. In the spring, one shallow trip is said to be sufficient before seeding, and the usual discing and grubbing is eliminated altogether. For some crops, and under some conditions, harrowing with chain or spike tooth harrow is advocated, but not always. The whole idea of the Graham system appears to be to open the soil to a considerable depth, and not to pulverize the soil too fine, but to leave it crumbly.

Mr. Bert Rankin of Huntingdon, was present, and much to the surprise of Mr. Lemaitre, announced that he had used this machine this Fall and was thus far very well satisfied with the results, which appeared to be quite as had been guaranteed. He mentioned that a ten-acre field plowed with this plow was in a much drier condition than an adjoining ten acres plowed with a conventional plow, even after all the heavy rain recently fallen in this district.

The group as a whole seemed very impressed with the possibilities this machine offered in getting better crops from the heavy and some poorly drained soils of this area. It was felt that possibly the use of this plow could improve the

chances of a successful stand of clover or alfalfa, and help greatly in grain and corn crops as well during wet seasons. It is safe to say that at least a few of these implements will be in use this coming summer and fall in this district. Already several are being tried out throughout the Province, and no doubt if they justify the claims made for them, we will see a great many in future years. Like all new machines, they must be tried under our particular conditions before being accepted completely, but it really does seem that here is a truly new idea, and one which has paid off outstandingly in the mid-western U.S., and could be a boon here.



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CARDINAL—At the Huntingdon County Hospital, Huntingdon, Que., on Dec. 18, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Real Cardinal, Huntingdon, Que., a son.
CLARKSON—At Berkeley, California, on Nov. 28, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Clarkson of Jersey, California, U.S.A., a son, Jeffrey Baggett, a son.
DANDURAND—At the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que., on Dec. 16, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Adolphe Dandurand, Ormstown, Que., a son.
GALPEAU—At the Huntingdon County Hospital, Huntingdon, Que., on Dec. 19, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul André Galpeau, Huntingdon, Que., a daughter.
MCALLUM—At the Huntingdon County Hospital, Huntingdon, Que., on Dec. 16, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Pat McCallum, Jr., Huntingdon, Que., a daughter.
MONIQUE—At the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que., on Dec. 19, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. George Monique, Huntingdon, Que., a daughter.
PAYANT—At the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que., on Dec. 21, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Olier Payant, St. Christy, Que., a son.
ROBIDOUX—At the Huntingdon County Hospital, Huntingdon, Que., on Dec. 21, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Aurele Robidoux, Huntingdon, Que., a daughter.

Married
CAIRNS-SCHROEDER—On Saturday, Nov. 15, 1952 at the Grace Lutheran Church, Camrose, Alta., Lottie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Schroeder to Mr. Donald M. Cairns of Camrose, Alta., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cairns, Glenelg, Que.

Died
CRITCHFIELD—On Dec. 18, 1952, at Joyce Memorial Hospital, Shawinigan Falls, Dr. Charles Nelson Critchfield, husband of Jessie Mae Devenny.

MCALLEN—At a Winnipeg Hospital, Winnipeg, on Dec. 12, 1952, Angus McAlleg, formerly of Dewittville, Que., in his 74th year.
MCLEWEN—At the Flewelling Home, Ormstown, Que., on Dec. 19, 1952, John C. McEwen, eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McEwen, St. Louis de Gonzague, Que., in his 88th year.

REID—At the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que., on Dec. 10, 1952, William Reid, of Howick, Que., husband of the late Margaret Stewart and loving father of Emma Montgomery and Hazel Koppel, in his 87th year.

In Memoriam
GOWDEY—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, who passed away December 29th, 1949—
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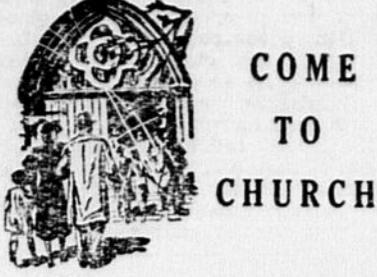
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WATCH NIGHT SERVICE
 St. John's Church
 Wednesday, December 31st
 Beginning at 11.30 p.m.

CAROL SERVICE
 Athelstan Presbyterian Church
 Sunday, Dec. 28th
 8.10 p.m.
 Benefit of W.M.S.

Cards of Thanks

I wish to extend my gratitude to Dr. McCrimmon and Dr. Cameron and the nurses of the Huntingdon County Hospital for their many kindnesses to me while a patient there; also I wish to thank all who came to see me and remembered me with gifts and cards while I was in the hospital.
 Edna Smythe.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to relatives, friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy shown us in our recent bereavement.
 The Thompson family,
 Henry R. Thompson,
 Mr. and Mrs. John Koski.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the doctors and nurses of the Barrie Memorial Hospital for their kindness to the late William Reid during his illness and also to our many friends, relatives and neighbors for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy shown us in our recent sad bereavement, including the many beautiful floral tributes.
 Emma Montgomery,
 Hazel Koppel.

I wish to thank all my friends and neighbors for gifts, letters and cards while I was in Queen Mary Veterans' Hospital, Montreal, and wish all a Happy Christmas.
 George Hood.

We desire to extend to our friends and neighbors our heartfelt appreciation for the sympathy and kindness shown us in our recent bereavement and for the beautiful floral tributes.
 Mabel McNaughton,
 Isabelle Wayland,
 Dorothy Elliott,
 Angus M. McNaughton.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the doctors and nurses of the Barrie Memorial Hospital, the Board of Managers of Athelstan Church, all my friends who remembered me with cards, letters and gifts during my stay Hospital and at home.
 Thos. S. Ross.

I wish to express to Doctors Stalker and McCrimmon and the nursing staff of the Barrie Memorial Hospital my sincere appreciation for the splendid care I received from them during my stay in the Hospital; also to the many friends who remembered me by visits, cards and flowers.
 Gilbert MacMillan.

Obituary
THE LATE DR. CHARLES NELSON CRITCHFIELD
 Dr. Charles Nelson Critchfield, 69, one of Canada's best known educationalists, died on Thursday, December 18th, after a short illness.
 He was known to teachers across the country through a long association with the Canadian Teachers Federation, of which he was a former president and secretary-treasurer and an honorary life member.
 A native of Huntingdon, Que., Dr. Critchfield had been principal of the Shawinigan Falls Technical Institute for the last 23 years. Before that, he was superintendent of Protestant Schools in Verdun, and had served as principal of schools

Christmas Exam. Results Phillipsburg Intermediate School
 The following are the results of the Christmas examinations held at Phillipsburg Intermediate School and ending on December 22nd:
Grade IX—Bruce Ramsay 82.3, Catherine Martin 82, Shirley Elliott 82, Paul Cheesman 78.2, George Sutherland 75.8, David Dumouchel 74.6.
Grade VIII—Carol Ramsay 74, Heather Sarvis 69.5, Leon Guthrie 69.2, Judith Brault 68.1.
Grade VII—Ann Baker 85, Lynne MacGregor 76.9, Maurice Monette 63.
Grade VI—Hilda Elliott 75.8, Wilfred Mayes 69.2.
 W. J. Millar, teacher.

Grade V—Edward Sarvis 79.3, William Mason 79, Doris Bombard 77.8, Sarah Mason 73, Jimmie Monette 76.8, Tommy Mayes 70.8, Wayne Cheesman 65.4.
Grade IV—Robert Groves 68.7, Raymond Piette 65, Leon Piette 50.
Grade III—Allan Bombard 79, Richard Mayes 78.1, Roger Piette 75.
Grade II—Mona Rafaelson 82.3, Marie Monette 79, Selma Symington 79.6, Patricia Groves 63.4.
Grade I—Timmy Slee 78.2, Johnnie Mason 76.2, Pauline Piette 75.2, Arvid Raefelson 74, Jimmie Symington 73.2, Hughie Symington 68.2, Marcel Piette 66.5.
 Miss C. J. Montford, teacher.

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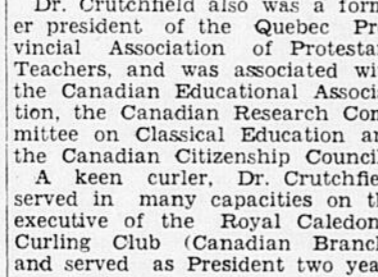
GLENELG—Christmas is in the air and everywhere, it's a hurry here and a hurry there. Christmas Tree entertainments were all the go last week and children were the important little folk. The Kensington United Church had its entertainment on Friday evening, the night was cold but about 40 children and their parents attended. The programme opened with Mrs. Hawley as chairman in the absence of the Pastor. Mr. Salter was at the organ. The beautiful tree was decorated and reminded everyone of the closeness of Christmas. Recitations and singing by the children were well done. Great credit as due to the Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Salter, and the teachers, Mrs. Salter and Mrs. Hawley.

The church was decorated with Sunday School pictures and Christmas trimming. The excitement came when Santa arrived with a pack on his back. Oranges and candy were distributed to the children. Prizes were awarded for regular attendance to Don Gavin, Jim Gavin, and Ann Tannahill. The programme closed with the Sunday School scholars singing a chorus of "A Merry Christmas to All", drawing the evening to a close.

The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. Robert Crawford recently when several members were present. A bale was packed valued at \$220 and sent to Montreal to help the needy at this time of year.
 Miss Jane Hamilton spent the week-end at the home of her parents.

BALL-BEARING COW
CLARESHOLM, Alta. (CP)—Jack Strangways said he had to shoot a cow when he was unable to remove a tractor ball-bearing that entered the animal's hoof. He had no trouble selling the carcass but nobody wanted the hock, not even for Scotch broth.

at Buckingham, Sutton, Kpowlton, Huntingdon and Longueuil.
 For his services to education, the University of New Brunswick gave him an honorary degree in 1943.
 Dr. Critchfield also was a former president of the Quebec Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers, and was associated with the Canadian Educational Association, the Canadian Research Committee on Classical Education, and the Canadian Citizenship Council.
 A keen curler, Dr. Critchfield served in many capacities on the executive of the Royal Caledonia Curling Club (Canadian Branch) and served as President two years ago. Last year he was appointed a vice-president of the mother-branch, the Royal Caledonia Curling Club of Scotland.



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MARRIED RECENTLY AT CAMROSE, ALTA.



Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cairns of Camrose, Alberta, following their wedding at the Grace Lutheran Church, Camrose, Alta., on November 15th, the Rev. W. Scheinbein officiated. The bride was the former Lottie Schroeder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Schroeder of Camrose, Alta., and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cairns, Huntingdon, Que.

Wedding

CAIRNS - SCHROEDER
 A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Grace Lutheran Church, Camrose, Alberta, at 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 15th, when Lottie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Schroeder of Camrose, became the bride of Mr. Donald Malcolm Cairns, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cairns of the arm of her father to the Schienbein officiated.
 The bride, wearing a gown of brocade lace over satin fashioned with train and lily-point sleeves and carrying a bouquet of American Beauty roses, entered the Church on the arm of her father to the strains of the Bridal Chorus, played by Miss Emma Bestler of Calgary, cousin of the bride.
 Miss Helen Bestler, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor, and Miss Tina Schroeder, cousin of the bride and Miss Frieda Schroeder, a friend, were bridesmaids. They wore pink, blue and yellow gowns, respectively, with matching net over taffeta skirts, lace and net bodices and topped with lace boleros.
 The groom was attended by Mr. Leo Schroeder, brother of the bride, Mr. Edward Jurkowsky of Calgary, and Mr. Frank Platz of Calgary, friends of the groom.
 A reception for about seventy people was held at the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bestler. The bride's table was centered with a four-tiered wedding cake. Rev. W. Schienbein proposed the toast to the bride.
 For the wedding the bride's mother chose a violet crepe dress and a corsage of yellow roses.
 Out-of-town guests were from Calgary, Edmonton, Camrose and other places.
 After a short honeymoon trip to Banff and Calgary, the happy young people are making their home in Camrose.

Powerscourt

POWERSCOURT—The Powerscourt Women's Association met at the home of Mrs. E. M. Wood on Wednesday, when 12 members and visitors enjoyed a chicken dinner at noon. Later the ladies busied themselves filling 100 candy bags and these, with toys and books, were packed and sent to the Salvation Army. The business meeting was conducted by the president, scripture

Ormstown

Barrie Memorial Notes
 The Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que., has received and acknowledged the following \$10.00 annual Memberships: Mr. William Stacy, Aubrey, Que., Mr. Burton Reddick, Aubrey, Que., Mr. William Finn, Ormstown, Que., son, Mr. G. D. Goodfellow, Huntingdon, Que.
 The hospital has also received and acknowledged the following donations: \$100, Women's Institute, Aubrey-Riverfield Branch; \$50, Mr. Richard Tinker, Huntingdon; Mr. C. J. Kyle, Huntingdon; \$25, Order of Eastern Star, Ormstown Chapter No. 36; \$10, Zion United Church W.A., Dundee. Miss Margaret Rodger, Ormstown, was convener of the sewing group Thursday, Dec. 18. Mr. Yates and his Ministry, Ormstown, sang Christmas Carols on Sunday evening at the Barrie Memorial Hospital.



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read by Mrs. McHardy and the members answered the roll call by giving Christmas cards. The secretary was given a list of names of shut-ins to be remembered with cards. The members regretted the illness of Mrs. Jas. Hay and a box of fruit was sent to her. \$25 was voted to the M. and M. Fund; \$20 to The Huntingdon County Hospital; \$10.00 to Children's Memorial Hospital. All officers were re-elected. A number of carols were sung and meeting closed with repeating The Lord's Prayer. Proceeds of meeting \$4.50, two five-dollar donations in memory of two departed members; dime cards \$11.50 and sale of work \$2.50.
 Those from a distance who attended the funeral of the late Robert Thompson were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, Mineville, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kent, Merrill, N.Y.; Mr. Herby Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thompson and Mrs. Wm. Anderson, all of Burke, N.Y.
 Mr. Carman Perkins of Sturgeon Falls, Ont., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wood and visited other relatives and friends before going to Montreal to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Perkins.
 Mr. Arthur Taylor left on Friday for Lancaster, Ont., where he will visit with his daughter, Mrs. A. G. Fraser, and will continue on to Ajax, Ont., where he will spend Christmas with his other daughter, Mrs. Jessie Watchorn.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wood had the pleasure on Saturday evening of talking to their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Botterill (Nora) by long distance call in Winnipeg. The connection was faster and clearer than many local calls.
 Miss Jean Myatt is visiting with her friend Jean Manley at Danemora, N.Y.
 Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Elder, Elaine and John of Toronto, Ont., arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross.

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The Late Robert Thompson
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Trout River
 The Elgin Presbyterian Church closed their Sunday School for the season with their Annual Christmas Refreshments were served to about sixty boys and girls and their parents and friends at the close.
 Mr. Mawhinney presented Keith MacFarlane with a Beginners' Certificate for Memory Work; Wilbert MacFarlane, Norman MacFarlane, Tommy Steele and Ronnie MacFarlane with a junior Diploma. Elaine MacFarlane got a certificate for the Beginners' Course and Rita Steele for the Primary Course. A Gold Seal was presented to Frances MacFarlane and a Silver Seal to Wilbert MacFarlane for one year's regular attendance. Santa Claus arrived shortly after and presented all the boys and girls with candy and unloaded the Christmas Tree. Refreshments were served to about sixty boys and girls and their parents and friends at the close.

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Missions and World Outreach—Marion McKell; Recreation and Culture—Lana; Refreshment Committee—Edna Reid, Patricia Noon; Director of Drama—Mrs. Douglas Gilmore.

C.G.I.T. Vesper Service The annual Christmas Vesper Service of the Canadian Girls in Training, held on Sunday night, Dec. 7, under the leadership of Elinor Watt, was well attended.

Chateauguay Y.P.U. Notes CHATEAUGUAY — Mr. Donald Byers, of Montreal, was the fourth in the group of speakers to address St. Andrew's Young People on the current topic of study "Youth and Marriage."

White Gifts White Gift Sunday was observed in St. Andrew's United Church at the morning service, when the Sunday School children and friends laid their gifts under two Christmas trees placed at either side of the platform.

Baptism On Wednesday evening, Dec. 10, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roderique L'Ecuier was baptized Ann Priscilla by Rev. J. W. Patterson of Lachine, Que.

Ormskirk St. James Anglican Program ORMSKIRK — On Sunday evening, Dec. 14, the St. James Anglican Sunday School presented a fine program under the direction of their teachers.

St. Paul's United Sunday School The St. Paul's United Sunday School presented a very entertaining program on Friday evening, Dec. 12th, in MacDougal Hall.

Gerry McCartney; Recitation—Jackie Campbell, Margaret Bryson, Billy Patten, Shirley Givens, Mr. Song — Jimmie McGeigrie and Gerry McCartney; Recitation — Garth Cavers, Stanley Owens, Donnie Campbell, Bobby McCartney, Marilyn Greig; A Play, "A Street in Bethlehem" — by intermingled girls; Recitation — Janet McCartney; Xmas Carols—Senior boys; Duet—Karen McCartney and Connie White; Play, "The Night Before Christmas" — Joyce English; Song—Mrs. Sproule's Primary class; Dialogue—"Santa's Boys" by Junior boys; Musical number—Senior girls; Drill by 9 Junior girls; Pantomime, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"—by Senior girls.

Woman's Association The annual meeting of the Woman's Association, was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 17th, at the Dougal Hall, with a very good attendance.

Aubrey-Riverfield AUBREY-RIVERFIELD — The December meeting of the Riverfield Evening Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. Harold Robertson on Thursday evening, Dec. 11th.

Hemmingford HEMMINGFORD — A most successful card party was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 11, in the Forrester Fygis Memorial Hall under the auspices of Victory Chapter No. 3, E.S. Cards were played at 23 tables.

Barrie Memorial Notes The Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormskirk, Que., has received and acknowledged the following \$10.00 annual memberships: Mrs. R. M. Drummond, Glen Falls, N.Y.; Mr. Hubert Barry, Huntingdon; Mr. Alan T. Stewart, Howick, and Mr. H. Osmond, Ormskirk.

Busby Diver VANCOUVER, (CP)—John Piesters operates a thriving one-man salvage business here with a home-made diving bell.

H. Osmond, Ormskirk. The hospital has also received the following donations: \$42.50, Mr. E. A. Turner, Plattsburg, N.Y.; \$10, Mr. Donald J. McEwen, Ormskirk; Flowers from Tilottson family in memory of the late Mrs. Pearl McCartney, Dewittville.

After the business meeting, the members present enjoyed delicious refreshments provided by Sisters W. Barrington, E. Campbell, J. Lang and I. Kerr for our Christmas party. Following the social hour the members opened their Christmas gifts which were all very useful and very much appreciated.

The group joined in the singing of the hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Beulah Nussey closed the meeting with a prayer for our Prayer Partners and the Auxiliary Prayer was recited in unison.

Delicious refreshments were served by Hazel Robertson before the members returned to their homes. Mr. Owen Ness, who is doing post-graduate work at Macdonald College, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Ness.

Muriel Wallace then expressed her appreciation for the co-operation she received from all the members during her term of office. The meeting was closed by singing officers who were moved and passed. The group also agreed to complete the allocation of \$200, to the Montreal Presbyterian.

Work was done on repairing the Hymn Books during the evening. Delicious refreshments were served by Beryl Greig, Irene J. Hamilton, Marjorie Roy.

On Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 9, the Ormskirk W.A. and Guild met at the home of Mrs. W. T. Payne. The president, Mrs. W. T. Payne, presided over the meeting. All business was discussed followed by the year's reports given by the different officers. As all the allocation had been met, it was decided that the sum of \$50.00 be handed in to St. James Church Fund.

Obituaries

THE LATE GEORGE W. MUIR His many friends, acquaintances and former associates across Canada will regret to learn of the passing, in Ottawa, of George W. Muir, former Dominion Animal Husbandman of the Dominion Experimental Farms System.

George W. Muir was born at St. Laurent, near Montreal but was mostly reared in the Howick District. Shortly before he died, his father had purchased a farm in the Irish Concession of Howick but he had not taken possession of same at the time of his death.

After his appointment to the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, he served for a number of years as an Assistant Animal Husbandman, mostly in charge of the dairy cattle. In the early 1930's he was promoted to the position of Dominion Animal Husbandman.

He is survived by his wife, the former Norma L. Atkinson, originally of Cornwall, Ont., also by two brothers, J. Gordon and Ernest B. Muir, and a sister that well-known nurse, "Isie" Muir, all of whom reside in the Howick district.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, Dec. 13th, at Howick United Church, for the late William Reid, who died at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormskirk, Que., on December 10th, in his 87th year.

The late Mr. Reid enjoyed good health until a year ago and while he entered hospital on December 5th, his sudden death was a shock to his many relatives and friends.

He was a member of the Howick United Church, of which he was a regular attendant. He is survived by two daughters, Emma Montgomery, of Howick, and Hazel Koppel, of Montreal.

HEMINGFORD — A most successful card party was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 11, in the Forrester Fygis Memorial Hall under the auspices of Victory Chapter No. 3, E.S. Cards were played at 23 tables.

The following officers were elected for 1953: Hon. President, Mrs. Joe Paré; Pres., Miss Ethel Williams; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Derrick; Treas., Mrs. D. F. Orr; Sec'y, Mrs. R. J. M. Reid.

thanked the ladies for their good work and co-operation. The completion of the painting of the interior of the church has added greatly to its appearance.

Beaver BEAVER—Mrs. Margaret Lindsay, Mrs. Agnes McClenaghan, Messrs. Alvin and Lloyd McClenaghan, Ormskirk, were recent guests of Mrs. E. J. Cameron, Mrs. and Mrs. Franklin Cameron, and Mary Jean were recent Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Vaughn and family.

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Those who are to receive Hockey sticks as prizes... Charles Quenneville for being first in the school by bringing in \$10.50.

Three prizes were drawn by Reverend Canon A. Pigeon giving the intermission of movies during the pupils last Sunday in the Parish Hall.

St. Joseph's skating rink is all prepared to be flooded as soon as the weather is favorable. We thank most sincerely all those who helped us.

The Gore - Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Rennie entertained on Sunday for Mrs. Rennie's birthday.

Mr. Nelson Henderson, of Montreal, spent the week-end with Mrs. Lillian Henderson and Andrew.

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Obituary

THE LATE PETER GALIPEAU Peter Galipeau passed away on Tuesday, December 2nd, 1952, at 3:30 p.m. at 108 York St., Huntingdon, due to heart failure after he had been in failing health for the last two years.

Dundee

DUNDEE—Miss Mabel MacMillan of Huntingdon spent a recent week-end at the MacMillan home.

Ste. Agnes

S. S. Service - STE. AGNES - The pupils and teachers of the Sunday School met for their Christmas Service on Sunday morning, Dec. 21st, in the playing Canasta and "500" at the Sunday School rooms.

Little Robin Holsworth left on Sunday to spend three weeks in Montreal. The following lady curlers, Mesdames W. Fawcett, Skip, G. Elvidge, 3rd, J. Masten, 2nd, and A. Warden, lead, played at Royal Montreal on Tuesday and lost by one point.

Mr. Clarence Arnold who has spent the past several months in Alberta is enjoying the Christmas holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Arnold.

Ormsdown

ORMSTOWN—Miss Joyce Ann Campbell, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Campbell of Cloquet, U.S.A., and cousin of Mrs. Margaret Lindsay, Ormsdown, and a grand-daughter of the late Archie Campbell, was awarded second place in a nation-wide contest to pick the most beautiful blind girl in America.

Christmas Seal Fund

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Valleyfield Scouts Presented With Badges

VALLEYFIELD—Friday evening, Dec. 12th, the 1st Valleyfield Troop of Boy Scouts under Scoutmaster Jerry Weller and the 1st Valleyfield Pack of Wolf Cubs under Cubmaster Alf. Woodhead were the guests of the Group committee.

Valleyfield Ladies' Curling Club

On Thursday, Dec. 11th, the Valleyfield Ladies' Curling Club entertained visiting rinks from Cornwall, Ste. Anne, Pointe Claire, St. George, Montreal West, St. Johns and Lachine. Games were played in the morning under the direction of Mrs. C. Gordon MacPherson, Match Convener, after which a turkey dinner was served under the convener-ship of Mrs. O. E. Caza.

C.N.I.B. Officials Thank Public For Help Given

Mr. L. A. McClintock, supervisor of Field Services for The Canadian National Institute for the Blind wishes to extend his congratulations and appreciation to the co-chairman of the financial campaign committee of Ormsdown, Dr. M. A. Stalker and Mr. George Bazinet and for Huntingdon, Mr. W. K. Pope and Mr. J. Hector Provost and for Valleyfield, Mr. A. Barrette and Mrs. Clovis Dupuis, chairman of the campaign, Beauharnois, as well as to the captains and conveners for their diligent efforts on behalf of The Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

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Notice Re. Estate The Late John E. Quenneville Township of Godmanchester

All persons having claims against the above estate are requested to file the same without delay. Persons indebted to the estate are likewise requested to make payments either to Raymond Quenneville, Executor, Beaver, Quebec, or to L. Baillargeon, N.P., Huntingdon Quebec

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Covering The Sports by Don Hutton

Coach Toe Blake's Valleyfield Braves are not having a very gay time of it during this festive season, dropping another one to the lowly Shawinigan Falls Cataracts on Sunday at the Falls. The final score was 3-1 for the Cats.



JACQUES DESLAURIERS Smelle minors in this period. Deschenes marked up the Cats insurance goal at 7:23 in the final heat aided by Leger and Hodgson.

When Bill scored his third goal of the evening the applause was almost as prolonged as when Rocket Richard established the all-time scoring record. The Forum rafters must be made of stout stuff to stand an uproar like that.

He was held scoreless Saturday night in the Forum as the Habs absorbed a 6-3 shelling administered by Boston but Sunday night in the Forum, Bill again accounted for half of the Canadiens' total, getting two of their four goals, in squeezing out a win over the Bruins, 4-3.

Five goals in three games is mighty good going under any circumstances but is a remarkable feat when you consider that Bellevue was playing on a strange line in the best hockey league in the world. Now he will go back to the Quebec Aces, perhaps for the remainder of the season, but our guess is that he will be with the Canadiens before many moons.

NOEL, NOEL This being almost the night before Christmas, our recollections go back to a goodly number of years, more than we would care to admit.

The first N.H.L. game we saw was on a Christmas Eve and the good old Maroons were entertaining the Rangers at the Forum. Your correspondent was intrusted with the care of a cousin and was safely ensconced behind a steel pillar with his head nestled comfortably on the cousin's shoulder.

It was in the days when the Big "S" Line of Hooley Smith, Nels Stewart and Babe Seibert were in their hey-day and the late "Babe" Club, clutched in his sticky fist. The pillar didn't improve our view of the game but who cared.

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third frame also had its torrid times, but the real blowup came in the overtime period when, with one second to go, Jackie Giesebrecht scored the winning goal at 9:59. The Chicks protested bitterly and with considerable force that the siren had sounded, ending the game when the goal was scored. Their protests went for naught and the Senators picked up the marbles 6-5, to say nothing of the wreckage also to be picked up.

When Bill scored his third goal of the evening the applause was almost as prolonged as when Rocket Richard established the all-time scoring record. The Forum rafters must be made of stout stuff to stand an uproar like that.

Bellevue's appearance seemed to have sparked "Boom-Boom" Geoffrion for Bernie turned in the "Hat-Trick" too in the Habs' 6-2 rout of the Rangers. The New York goalie, "Prince Charlie" Rayner had a busy night.

The 210 product of Victoriaville is said to be as sharp a business man as he is on the ice and, if the Canucks can persuade him to sign, it's for sure they will have to dig deeply into the sock.

He was held scoreless Saturday night in the Forum as the Habs absorbed a 6-3 shelling administered by Boston but Sunday night in the Forum, Bill again accounted for half of the Canadiens' total, getting two of their four goals, in squeezing out a win over the Bruins, 4-3.

NOEL, NOEL This being almost the night before Christmas, our recollections go back to a goodly number of years, more than we would care to admit.

The first N.H.L. game we saw was on a Christmas Eve and the good old Maroons were entertaining the Rangers at the Forum. Your correspondent was intrusted with the care of a cousin and was safely ensconced behind a steel pillar with his head nestled comfortably on the cousin's shoulder.

It was in the days when the Big "S" Line of Hooley Smith, Nels Stewart and Babe Seibert were in their hey-day and the late "Babe" Club, clutched in his sticky fist. The pillar didn't improve our view of the game but who cared.

It just goes to show that Christmas is a most unusual and interesting opportunity to own a beautiful and completely mechanized estate, furnished and equipped down to the last detail. Property is located in a most exclusive district 14 miles from Montreal. Full particulars supplied on request.

Mr. Francois Cleyn, whose principal activities will continue to be the operation of Leach Textiles Limited, Spinners Limited, and Chateau Dyers Limited, has been appointed Vice-President in charge of manufacturing. Mr. Cleyn will now accept the overall manufacturing responsibility of all the associated companies but will continue to reside in Huntingdon.

Mr. H. S. Leybourne, who has been appointed Vice-President in charge of sales, will continue as President of Artex Woollens Limited and will continue to be resident in Toronto.

Mr. A. MacL. Leslie continues as Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer and will be situated at the Head Office in Montreal. Mr. Salter also disclosed that Mr. W. B. Sears, formerly Chief Engineer of Werner Textile Consultants, has been appointed a Director of Textile Sales Limited and Director of Production of the associated companies. Mr. Sears will be responsible for the production of the associated companies, and will be resident in Montreal. Consolidations of all the selling organizations of the associated companies will be achieved shortly, in Montreal and Toronto, and in Winnipeg and Vancouver, as soon as suitable premises can be obtained.

WRECKER SERVICE Huntingdon Motors Reg'd Night 2397 Day 822

NEW CUSTOMS BUILDING OPENED AT COVEY HILL



Above is the new Customs and Immigration Building which was officially opened by Mr. Donald E. Black, M.P., on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 17th. Several other officials were present and assisted in the opening, after which the public viewed the new building. News item appears elsewhere.

Keep Happy This Christmas Watch the Fire Hazards

During all the joyous festivities of the Christmas season, a cigarette, a match, a carelessly fire-place, or a faulty electrical circuit may at any time change the joy and gladness into tragedy and heartbreak as it did in many homes last year throughout Canada.

Two factors contributed to the danger of the Christmas season. Firstly, added decorations are too often not flameproofed. Secondly, the increased tempo of entertainment increases the hazard from misplaced cigarette butts and gift wrappings which will blaze like tinder if ignited.

Let's look at a few safety suggestions: 1. Use flameproofed decorations. For greatest safety, many manufacturers produce flameproof materials that were tested and classified by Underwriters' Laboratories, and these products bear the familiar Underwriters' label as your guide to safety.

3. Avoid decorations of paper and candles on the tree. Here again, many of the electrical decorations and Christmas tree lights bear the label of the Canadian Standards Association or the Underwriters' Association, signifying that they have successfully passed rigid fire hazard tests.

Monograms Take Time, Shop Earlier To Have This Done Planning on having some of your gifts intimately personalized by monogramming before they are presented for Christmas? Then it is very important that you make your choice early and give your wishes promptly.

Monogramming can be had for almost every type of gift you can think of, from stationery to shirts, from lingerie to luggage. Jewellery as a gift is hardly complete without an engraved legend of the recipient.

REACHES 101 DELORAIN, Man. (CP) - The Deloraine chamber of commerce paid tribute to Jacob Bronsberger at a dinner meeting Dec. 1. Mr. Bronsberger, a native of Ringwood, Ont., recently celebrated his 101st birthday.

PLAN NOW NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION Hotel Chateaugay Chateaugay, N.Y. FLOOR SHOW • NOISE MAKERS • DANCING from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Hotel Ste. Agnes PRESENTS JIMMY THOMPSON and His Orchestra EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT Telephone 705 H. Leblanc, Prop.

Elgin Council held an adjourned meeting on Dec. 17th. Mayor and all Councilors present. The following accounts were approved and ordered paid: Oliver Deschambeau \$100.00; Geo. D. Elder \$13.45; Tommy Duhme \$50.00; Allan Stewart \$37.50; Clifford Hinks \$128.56; Arthur Garate \$102; C. J. Kyle \$100.00; The Huntingdon Gleaner \$53.30; E. Castaner \$100; W. K. Phillips \$130.92; Oswald J. Watson \$33.60; Wilfred Evans \$63; Leslie Hay and helper \$15.60; Robt. A. Elder \$18.00; J. Arthur Macfarlane \$56.53; McCallum Bros., \$56.15. It was moved and agreed that the Secy-Treas. be re-hired for 1953. The Secy then submitted list of properties which were two or more years in arrears of taxes and examination of said list, it was agreed that those listed be sent for sale at County Court, viz: N. N. Campbell - James McPaul Est. Secy-Treas. was then authorized to send statement to the municipality of Hinchinbrooke for repairing Reid bridge. The same to be repaired jointly by the latter and Elgin.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



AT CHRISTMAS

We realize more than ever, at Christmas time, how much it means to us to have the good will of our friends and patrons. And so once again we extend our sincerest wishes for a Joyous Holiday Season to all.

RYAN'S HARDWARE
Chateaugay, New York

Letters to "Santa Claus" Come From World Over

Postoffice officials in Santa Claus, Indiana, are accustomed to overloaded sacks of mail during the pre-Christmas rush. Senders want their cards and gifts stamped with the famous Santa Claus postmark, plus thousands of wistful letters "Santa Claus, Santa Claus, Ind."

And then there is the annual crop of "Santa Claus" letters written by youngsters in far away places who haven't heard about Santa's permanent address in Indiana, U.S.A. At least a dozen versions of the time-honored note-in-the-bottle story find their way into metropolitan newspapers every year.

The notes, sealed in small bottles and securely tied to Christmas trees, are discovered by Christmas tree dealers, housewives and even enlisted men at naval centers and military barracks: they come from places like Renous, a village in New Brunswick, Canada, boasting a total population of 85 inhabitants.

The notes range from the wistful to the desperate, requesting such things as a mamma doll, a sled, a sweater, or a pair of over-shoes.

Seasons Greetings

The Christmas greetings we send to you, hold every good wish for a Joyous Holiday Season.

THE GAY BAR

RYAN and ADAMS

Chateaugay

New York

Faith and Love Triumph

According to the familiar old carol, St. Joseph was an old man. He probably was considerably older than Mary, but people may have thought of him as being older than he actually was because he enjoyed earnest conversation and companionship of selected friends rather than boisterous pleasures.

When Joseph thought of Mary he forgot the difference in their ages: she was the girl he had waited for, his beloved. They were espoused — or, as we would say, engaged — which was almost as official as being married. His heart soared on wings of the approaching wedding day, and then . . .

What Mary insisted had come to pass, simply could not be! Joseph wanted desperately to believe Mary, but such things just didn't happen, and if they did, they happened to somebody else.

Much as he loved Mary, Joseph was a righteous and God-fearing man and while he couldn't even think of making her a public example, he had just about made up his mind to put her away privily. That is, he thought he had made up his mind. In his heart, he knew he couldn't; what would become of her . . . of her child.

Then one night, after he had exhausted himself with tortured thinking, he fell asleep and the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying:

"Joseph, thou son of David, fear not . . ."

And when Joseph awoke, he did as the angel had bidden him, and took Mary as his lawful and cherished wife.

"Fear not," the angel spoke unto Joseph.

"Fear not," the angel had declared unto Mary.

"Fear not," the angel said unto the shepherds of Bethlehem.

The Longest Year

The year we now refer to as 46 B.C. was the longest year in calendar history. It contained 445 days, and for a very good reason.

Numa Pompilius supposedly created the Roman calendar in the seventh century, B.C. This calendar was revised several times, but by Julius Caesar's time, it was two months behind the sun.

When Caesar's experts devised the Julian calendar, which went along without revision until the 16th century, there was the problem of catching up with the sun before the new calendar could take over. So, two months were inserted between the months of November and December. Thus, 46 B.C. contained 445 days.

Happy Christmas

To our many friends we wish all the pleasures that a Joyous Holiday Season can bring.

CHIC - TOGGS

Chateaugay, New York.

Santa Claus Hit As "Sugar Daddy" Instead of Saint

Assailing the Santa Claus myth as "foolish fiction" and rival of the Holy Child, the Rev. John C. Martin, editor of the Catholic Review, declared in an editorial that Santa the saint has been lost in Santa the sugar daddy — and that the whole idea is bad psychology and bad pedagogy.

"Our children learn about the reindeer, but have never heard of the ox and the ass," Father Martin continued and recommended that we:

"Leave the man in the red suit to those who have nothing better for whom life must end in disillusion and despair."

Father Martin's sentiments are reminiscent of Martin Luther's vigorous campaign against neglect of the central idea of Christmas which is the birth of Jesus. So, German children have been taught that the Christkind brings the presents — Christkind being depicted as the messenger of the Infant Jesus sent earthward at Christmas-time to bring happiness to good children.

The modern conception of Santa Claus is, of course, 99 per cent fictional and strictly American. But the spirit of generosity and thoughtfulness as typified by Santa Claus is neither sugar daddish nor essentially American. Unfortunately not all children who await Santa have learned from their mother's lips the story of the Holy Child.

King Richard's Christmas Feasts

Once upon a medieval Yuletide, King Richard III of England celebrated at Litchfield—and during the festivities 2,000 oxen and 200 tons of wine were consumed.

Of course, the feudal set-up provided the great lords with the where-withal for magnificence—the lords received gifts from their tenants and kings received gifts from their nobles; and the graduated scale for giving and receiving was as well ascertained as the quiddam honorarium of any bar-barister or physician.

Queen Elizabeth received a large part of her wardrobe as gifts from her courtiers, and if the quality or quantity was not satisfactory, the donors were unceremoniously informed of the situation.

When Henry III entertained a thousand knights, peers and assorted nobles who came to attend the Yuletide marriage of the Princess Margaret, his majesty received a royal Christmas gift of £2,700, plus 600 fat oxen from the Archbishop of York.

With similar assistance, whether exhorting or given in the spirit of generosity appropriate to the season, His Majesty could well afford to give Christmas feasts for the poor like the one given in Westminster Hall in 1248 which lasted a week.

Striving to undo his predecessors and give his successors something to shoot at, Henry VIII kept one Yuletide at which the cost of gold cloth that was used amounted to £600 alone. He had tents erected and artificial gardens plotted within the spacious hall of his palace. Knights came out of the tents to joust in tournaments and fantastically dressed dancers, covered from head to foot with gay ribbon streamers, emerged from the gardens entertain the guests.

Preparation for the feasting on such occasions is perfectly appalling to epicures of the 20th century—and can only be vaguely comprehended by considering that Richard II normally employed 2,000 cooks to prepare food for the 100,000 persons who dined—irrespective of special feasting—at his expense every day.

POPULAR SPORT

WINNIPEG, (CP) — Sir Arnold Lunn, 64-year-old British ski expert, says the sport is the most popular in the world. Sir Arnold told a club here that he had seen skiing "spread like a prairie fire" during his lifetime.

Season's Greetings

"Merry Christmas" . . . in these two words we wish to express our appreciation for your unwavering goodwill and friendship.

PEARL'S DEPARTMENT STORE

Chateaugay — Ellenburg — Champlain, New York

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LAMBERT'S NEWS SHOPPE

Chateaugay, New York.

GREETINGS

of the season

Our Holiday Greetings to our friends come straight from the heart...simple and with no false frills. May you enjoy a truly Merry Christmas and a very Joyous New Year.

OLIVER'S
Chateaugay, New York

MERRY CHRISTMAS

It is our sincere wish that all the exciting joy and pleasant surprises of Christmas morning live with you every day of a Happy New Year.

HOTEL CHATEAUGAY
PAUL DESGROSELLIERS, Prop.
Chateaugay, New York.

A Christmas MESSAGE

May your Yuletide pleasure be a blend of the hearty, warm spirit of yesteryear and the joyous, thrilling, enjoyment of today

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All

SHAW'S 5c, 10c, 25c STORE
Chateaugay, New York.

20 Down and Outs Served Six Course Dinner

Twenty down-and-outs sitting in a palatial West End mansion in Old London, waited on by uniformed waiters who served them a six-course dinner, including champagne and cigars. And when the dinner was over, each man was given a pound note and wished "A Merry Christmas" by his host.

Sounds like a fairy tale—but fairy tales sometimes come true. The host was a wealthy man who parted from his son after high words. The boy went abroad, and the father

er was tormented by the thought that he might be in want. It was while hoping that someone would play the Good Samaritan to his boy if he needed it that the idea of doing so himself occurred to the father, and this grand Christmas feast to twenty astonished down-and-outs, gathered off the streets at random, was the result.

Another strange Yuletide was spent by a famous author, who found himself camped near the Equator on Christmas day. He drew a line in the sand fifty feet long, and started to walk back and forth. By the end of the day he had crossed the Equator two thousand times. A queer record!

Greetings

It is so heartwarming to remember at Christmastime, friends whose faith and loyalty have always meant so much to us! Along with our greetings we send you every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SAUMIER'S Shell Service Station
S. Saumier, Prop.
Chateaugay, New York.

GREETINGS

Happily, do we follow a wonderful old custom of wishing all our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

HYLAND & CO.
HARDWARE — RADIOS — ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES — GUNS —
Chateaugay, New York.

Christmas

May all the exciting joys of Christmas remain with you and your loved ones every day of the New Year.

J. H. PARENT
GROCERIES — FRUITS — VEGETABLES
Chateaugay, New York.



Red and Green Decorations

The use of green at Christmas time is understandable when it is recalled that the idea of decking churches, houses, shops, etc., centers around the use of evergreen. This custom antedates the Christian era and apparently is a survival of the Rome Saturnalia when inhabitants of Rome ornamented their temples and dwellings with green boughs.

Red, which is regarded as the most cheerful of all colors, is said to react most quickly on the optic nerve. Decorations available at the winter solstice include holly, the berries of which are red.



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Holly Legends

Many beliefs are connected with the Christmas holly: Legends relate that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly, the white berries turning red like drops of blood after the crucifixion. It is said that whoever brings the holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule in the ensuing year. For many years the superstition persisted that holly was hateful to witches. It was placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.

PIONEER 85

WINNIPEG, (CP)—Herbert N. Louth, a Hudson's Bay Company pensioner, celebrated his 85th birthday here. He came from England in 1891 and for some years was manager of the retail store at Yorkton, Sask.



Christmas Candles Have Been Used By Many Peoples

It would be astonishing, indeed, if no candles appeared in homes throughout the nation on Christmas Eve. The legend which surrounds the custom is believed to have started in Ireland.

There on Christmas Eve a large candle was burned which could be snuffed out only by one named Mary. As the Irish put it: "Who knows, on some Christmas Eve, Jesus and Mary and Joseph may come again, not to Palestine, but to the Holy Isle on the farthest edge of Europe?"

Their first use for Christmas is not recorded in the annals of any nation, but that the "Christ Child Candle", burned in the window of Christmas Eve is, according to an old legend, placed there to light Him way if He makes an earthly visitation and in atonement for the night of His birth when there was no room for Him.

Also among the legends is one about bayberry candles burned on Christmas.

During the early history of our country, animal fats were relatively scarce. The branches of the bayberry shrub were covered with wax-giving berries and children were given the task of gathering the berries when candles had to be made so that the animal fats could be conserved.

According to tradition, one who burned a bayberry candle on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day would have long life and a happy one.

An old verse reads: "To learn your luck for the year they say, Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas day. If the flame burns bright and the

Christmas Wishes



My Christmas wishes are as numerous as the snowflakes... as bright as the stars... as warm as the burning Yule log.

To all in the Counties of Chateauguy - Huntingdon - Laprairie I extend Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy Holiday Season.

DONALD E. BLACK, M.P.

Aubrey, Que.

Season's Greetings



My wish is that this Christmas will once again bring joy and peace on earth to all.

At this joyous season I wish to extend my best wishes to all in Chateauguy County for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ARTHUR LABERGE, M.L.A.

Chateauguy, Que.

Holiday Greetings



I would like to take this opportunity to extend to the people of the County of Huntingdon my fondest wishes that this Christmas brings all good cheer and also a peaceful New Year.

ALISTER SOMERVILLE, M.L.A.

Hemmingford, Que.

Bethlehem, N.H., Is Like Birthplace Of Jesus

Bethlehem, N.H.—This peaceful little "Christmas town" nestled in the New Hampshire hills bears a striking resemblance to the Holy Village for which it was named. Its location is similar to that of Bethlehem in Judea, and, strangely enough it is a village of inns and Jewish people, just like the real Bethlehem in the beautiful story of the Christ Child. This similarity exists, however, only in summer when 32 magnificent hotels, taverns and inns, nine of which observe the Jewish dietary laws, are hostile to those who come, year after year, to enjoy the beauty of green fields and purple mountains. At Christmas the population is less than a thousand souls and most of these are natives whose hardy ancestors built their log cabins along Bethlehem streets where the palatial hotels now stand.

First Christmas Tree

In Strassburg, Germany, in 1604, the first Christmas tree appears in literature. It is thought that the custom of using Christmas trees in Germany spread from Strassburg.

When Queen Victoria married Prince Albert, he introduced the Christmas tree custom into England. From the early emigrants of Germany and England was derived the custom of the Christmas tree in America.

light shines clear, Good luck will be yours throughout the year."



Greetings

To all our friends, far and wide, go our wishes for a joyous holiday.

CLIFF'S CABS

Phone 2983

Huntingdon, Que.

Christmas Brought Jesters

Medieval kings used to have fools and jesters to amuse them. Later, however, the wearers of the cap and bells were not the exclusive possession of kings and queens, princes, counts, barons and bishops, for the fashion of keeping buffoons passed from sovereigns to corporations and private individuals. These jesters

were then brought into requisition during the Christmas season, and retained to brighten up the hall and kitchen with their witty sayings and practical jokes.

ORCHIDS FROM BRITAIN

Christmas floral decorations in many lands will include "Bow Bells" and other famous varieties of orchids bred by Mr. Peter Black at the nursery of Black and Flory at Slough, England. The blooms will travel by air from Britain.



Joyous Christmas

Once more we pause to wish our friends and patrons the most joyous of Christmases. May your holiday be bright with cheer!

LEGAULT'S

MEAT MARKET and GROCERY

Phone 5170

Huntingdon

Lake St.



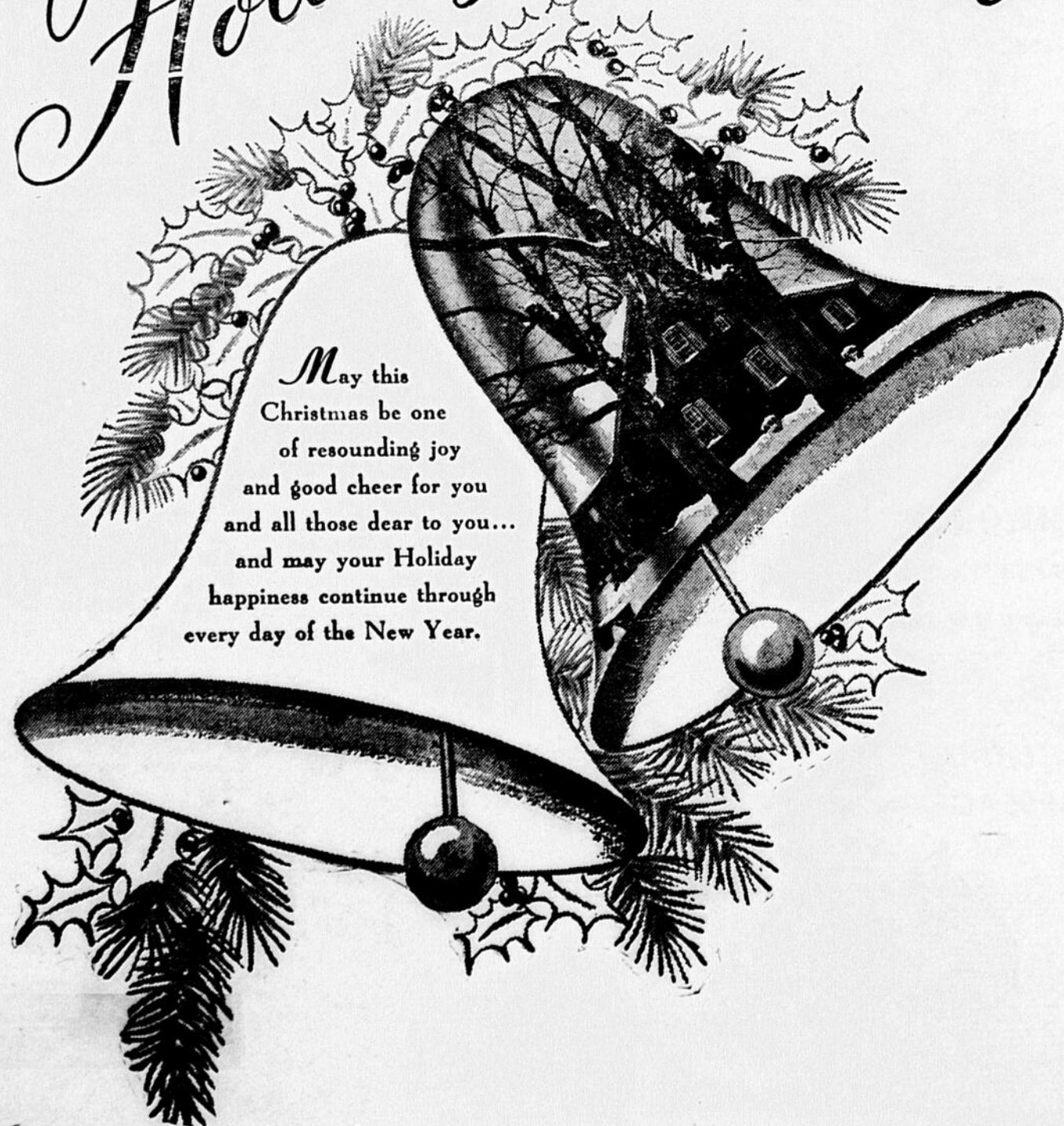
"Merry Christmas" ... in these two words we wish to express our appreciation for your unwavering goodwill and friendship.

WEBBER'S JEWELLERY STORE

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pace

Huntingdon, Que.

With best wishes for the Holiday Season

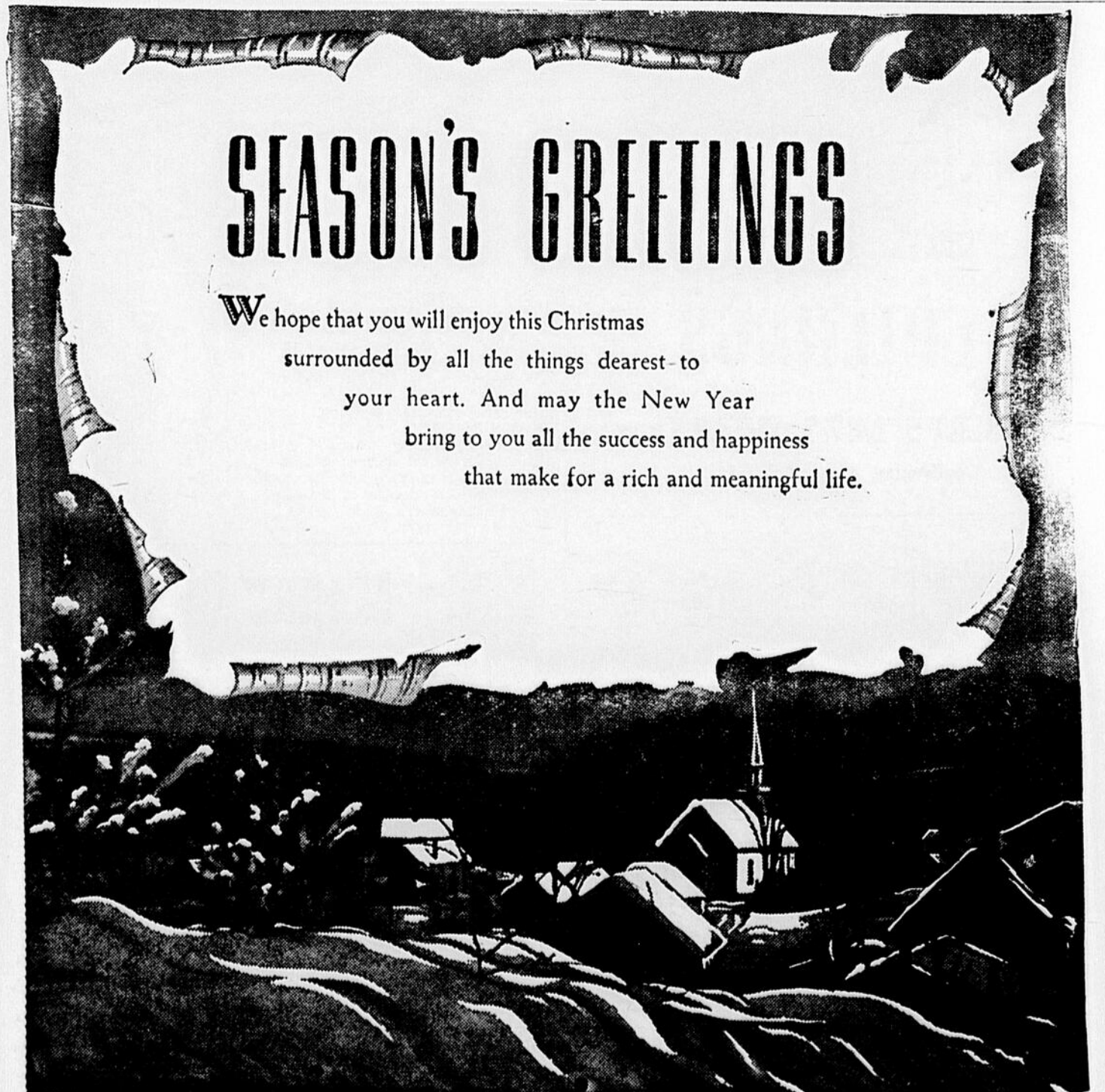


May this Christmas be one of resounding joy and good cheer for you and all those dear to you... and may your Holiday happiness continue through every day of the New Year.

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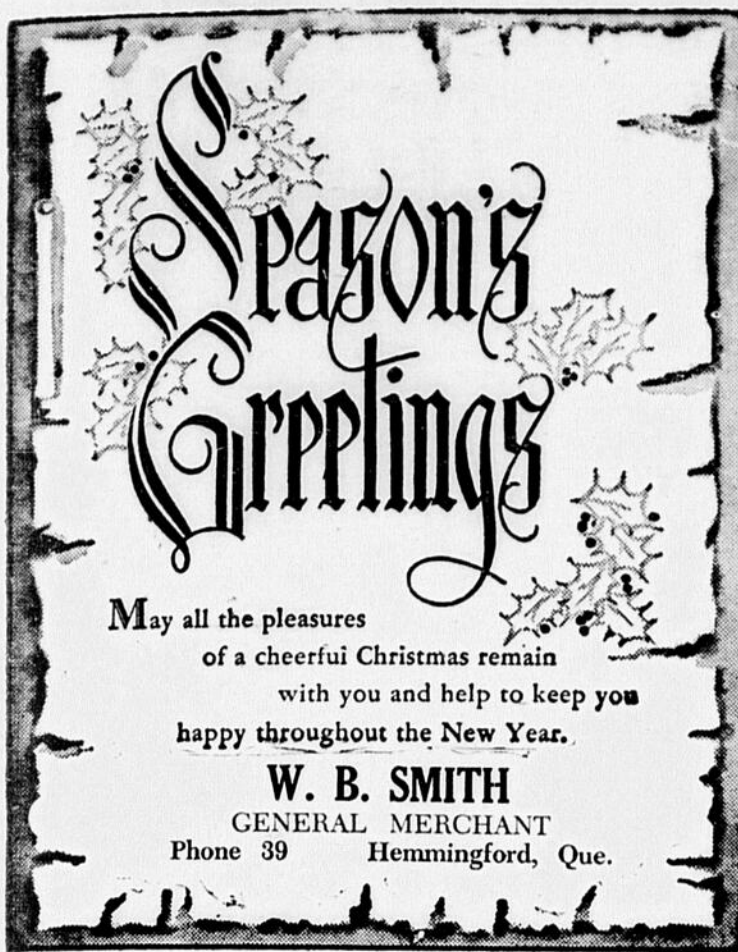
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

We hope that you will enjoy this Christmas surrounded by all the things dearest to your heart. And may the New Year bring to you all the success and happiness that make for a rich and meaningful life.

The Chateau
Huntingdon



Season's Greetings

May all the pleasures of a cheerful Christmas remain with you and help to keep you happy throughout the New Year.

W. B. SMITH
GENERAL MERCHANT
Phone 39 Hemmingford, Que.

Lucia Day Starts Christmas Season In Swedish Custom

Celebration of Lucia day on December 13 inaugurates the Christmas season in Sweden. It takes its name from St. Lucia, or Lucy, martyred for her faith and virginity in Syracuse in 304 A.D. and venerated by the church each December 13.

The prettiest blonde in every home, office, factory, village and town is elected a "Lucia" and visits the sick, leads carnivals and processions and attends banquets and balls accompanied by her "hand-maidens."

The ancient custom coincides with the winter solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more and the days begin to lengthen.

In addition to beauty, other qualifications for "Lucia" are nice disposition and high character.

Dressed in long white robes, wearing crowns of lighted candles (the traditional costume for "Lucias") the girls present gifts and the traditional Lucy day coffee and rolls to hospital patients, etc. The queen and her maidens, enthroned in a star spangled horse-drawn chariot, lead festive processions around the village squares and through city streets.

Parade participants depict alter-

HOLY NIGHT WEATHER

Country people in Britain still watch the sky on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day for signs of a change in the weather, for there is an ancient belief that the weather at this time is a strong portent for that to come throughout the year. Wise and cunning masters of astrology, we are told, "have found that a man may see and mark for the weather of Holy Night how the whole year after shall be". When Christmas night was clear and starry, it was taken that the year's crop of fruit and wine would be a plentiful one. On the other hand, if Christmas night was foul and windy, the year to come would be "very scant of wine and fruit". But if the wind arose at the rising of the sun then "it betokeneth great dearth of cattle and beasts this year". And if the wind arose at sunset "it signifies death to some among the kings and great lords".

... and all good wishes for your health, happiness and success in the New Year.



Sincere Wishes

Midst the many greetings that will come to you this Christmas, we want you to include our wishes for a joyous Holiday and a Rich and Happy New Year.

WILFRED SAUMIER
GENERAL MERCHANT

Phone 977 Herdman, Que.



Season's Best Wishes

As the Christmas chimes ring out once more we send wishes for a Happy Holiday to all our friends.

FRONTIER INN

J. R. Dumouchel, Prop. Lionel Schneider, Mgr.
Phone 19 Hemmingford, Que.



Greetings

May your Christmas glow with bright contentment and may the New Year reflect every joy this wish can bring.

Fortin & Frere Construction Ltd.
GENERAL CONTRACTORS
Hemmingford, Que.



Season's Greetings

...with every good wish for your happiness at Christmas, and throughout the New Year.

L. G. SIMPSON
PAINT - FARM EQUIPMENT - ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES
Phone 29 Hemmingford, Que.



MERRY Christmas

... and all good wishes for your health, happiness and success in the New Year.

R. C. DAoust
Grocery - Meat Market
Phone 12-R-5
St. Antoine Abbe



GREETINGS

We cannot help but think of our many friends who have made the past year so worthwhile. To all of them, we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

MARCEL FORTIN
FARM and FEED SUPPLIES - FUEL OIL
Phone 50-r-2 Hemmingford, Que.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

May Santa bring you all the things you want this Christmas. And here's the hope that in the coming New Year you'll find heaps of good luck, good cheer, and good health.

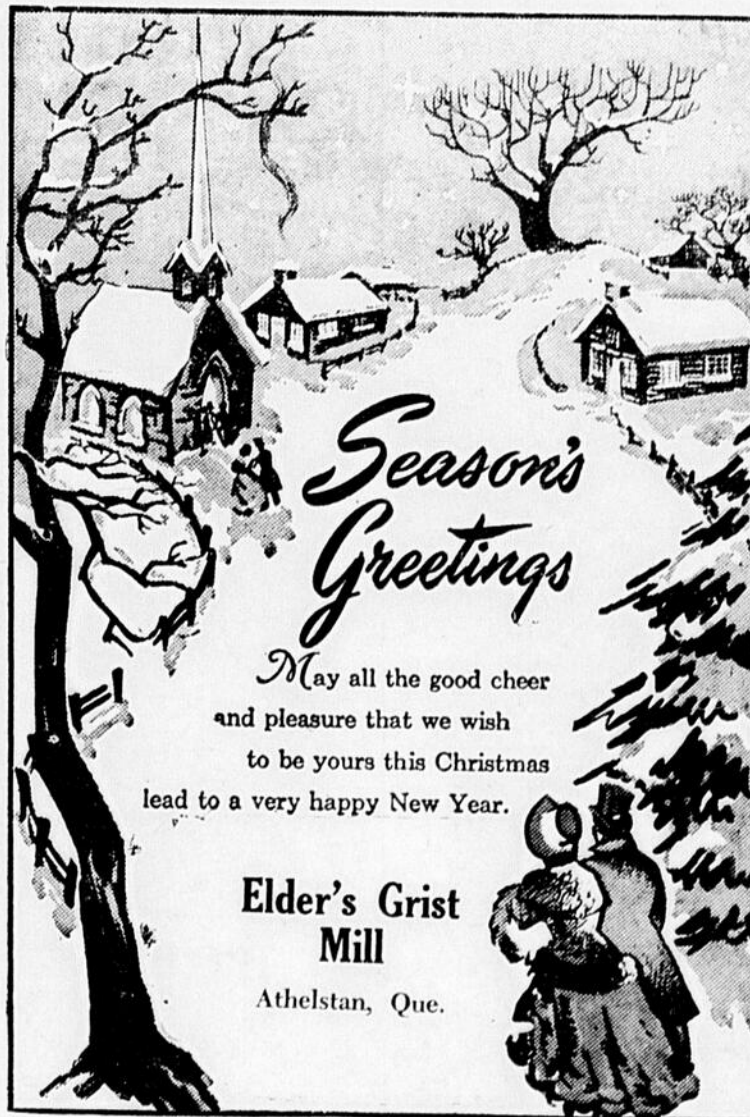
SOMERVILLE POULTRY FARM
Phone 307-3 Hemmingford, Que.



The Season's Greetings

May your Yuletide happiness be as bright as the glittering decorations and ornaments on your Christmas Tree!

SHARPE'S
GENERAL STORE
Phone 5-2
Franklin Centre, Que.



Season's Greetings

May all the good cheer and pleasure that we wish to be yours this Christmas lead to a very happy New Year.

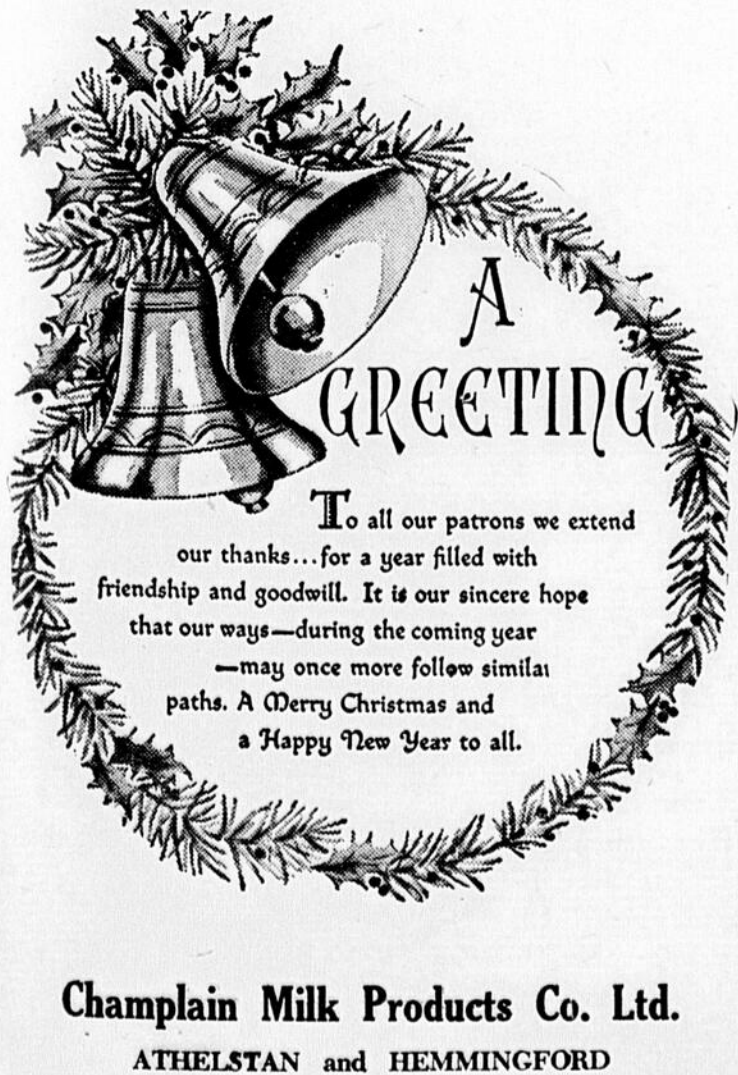
Elder's Grist Mill
Athelstan, Que.



Greetings for the Holiday Season

To all our friends... here's to a Merry Christmas and a very gay New Year.

BERTHIAUME TRANSPORT
HEMMINGFORD - MONTREAL
Phone 2-3 Hemmingford, Que.



A GREETING

To all our patrons we extend our thanks... for a year filled with friendship and goodwill. It is our sincere hope that our ways—during the coming year—may once more follow similar paths. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Champlain Milk Products Co. Ltd.
ATHELSTAN and HEMMINGFORD



At Christmas

May the warmth of the Yuletide spirit surround you and your loved ones throughout a bright and healthy New Year.

JAMES T. ELDER
SASH and DOOR FACTORY
Athelstan, Que.



Greetings at Christmas

Santa's smiling countenance lights up the world on this gay and festive Holiday. We join Santa in wishing one and all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

J. CLIFFORD McHARDY
MEAT MARKET
Athelstan, Que.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Once more it is a pleasure to extend to our many friends and patrons our very best wishes for a Christmas bright with happiness and good cheer.

GARNET F. GREEN
GENERAL MERCHANT
Athelstan Quebec



SEASON'S GREETINGS

We send these sincere greetings with a wish that your Holiday Joys go far beyond your fondest dreams.

W. KEDDY & SON
LUMBER and GRAIN
Phone 9-r-2 Hemmingford, Que.

Here's wishing a

MERRY



Greetings

May the happiness of you and your loved ones be as everlasting as the evergreen. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends.

D. A. BARRINGTON Ormstown, Que.

Season's Greetings



For your friendship and good will we extend a hearty "Thank You." May you have a delightful Christmas and a successful New Year.

BEAUCHAMP FRERE HARDWARE and GENERAL STORE Phone 14 Ormstown, Que.



SHEFFREN'S CLOTHING STORE Phone 153 Ormstown, P.Q.



GOOD WISHES for everyone

To each one of you, we wish the greater happiness that comes with sharing Christmas with friends and neighbors ... and with sharing the Holiday with Him, in His house. And to this wish we add the hope that the New Year brings to you a full measure of good health and prosperity.

Zephyr Textiles Limited Ormstown, Que.



May the world rejoice again, in Peace on Earth Good-Will to Men.

THE BORDEN COMPANY LTD. FARM PRODUCTS DIVISION F. S. RUGAR, Manager Ormstown, Que.

CHRISTMAS TIME



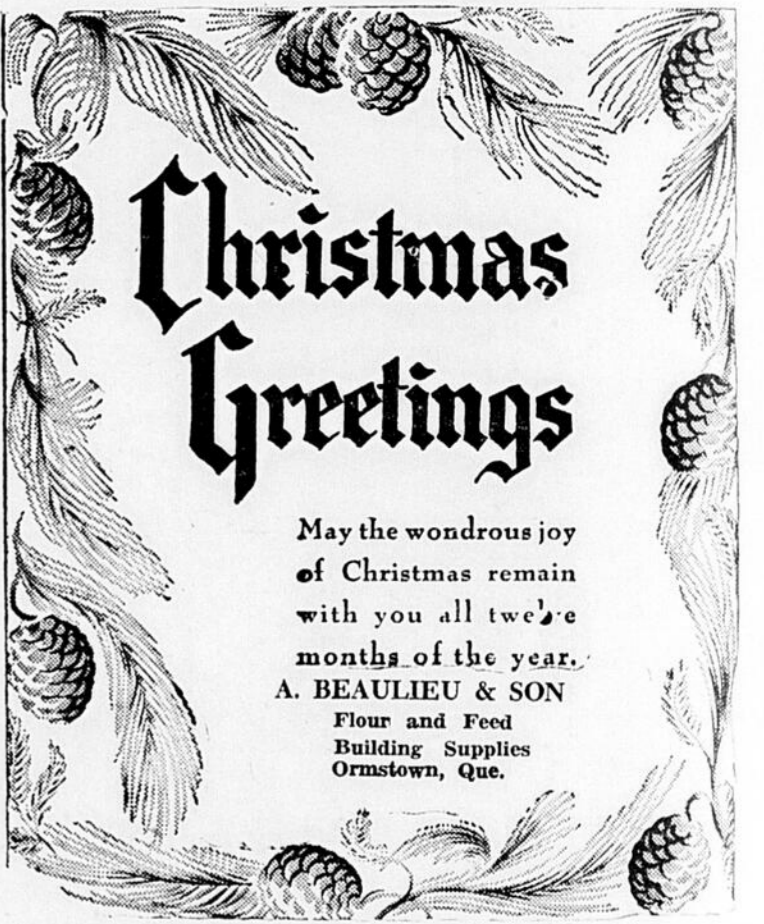
May you enjoy all the happiness that comes to the young in heart at Christmas Time!

McCARTNEY "SHELL" SERVICE STATION Telephone 44 Ormstown, Que.



May the glad cheer of Christmas with its spirit of wonderful warmth remain as a precious token for all our friends, throughout the New Year.

A. BRUNET, MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES, VAULTS and MARKERS. Specialty in Lettering ORMSTOWN



May the wondrous joy of Christmas remain with you all twelve months of the year. A. BEAULIEU & SON Flour and Feed Building Supplies Ormstown, Que.



With a genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to our many friends the greetings of the season with joy for Christmas and good luck for the New Year.

A. A. McCORMICK McCORMICK FARM EQUIPMENT IMPERIAL OIL SERVICE STATION Phone 59 Ormstown, Que.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We sincerely hope that this Christmas you will receive a full share of lasting good health and happiness.

BERL - INN
BERNICE CULLEN
Ormstown, Que.

Greetings

Here's a wish to all of our friends that the wonderfully-exciting spirit of Christmas come to your house and remain throughout the New Year.

OSMOND BROS.
GENERAL MERCHANT
Ormstown, Que.

Greetings

To our many friends and patrons who have made this Christmas so grand for us, we wish the Merriest Christmas of all, and a Rich and Happy New Year.

CHARLES ROY
Fresh and Cured Meats — Fresh Fruits —
Vegetables — Choice Groceries
Phone 118 Ormstown, Que.

Holiday Wishes

Once more it's a joyous occasion for us to send to our friends the Greetings of the Season and to wish them a Cheerful Christmas... a New Year of success and good health.

Armand R. Sautoire
Phone 26 St. Chrysostome

CHRISTMAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL

With our greetings of the Season goes our sincere wish that during the coming year we may again enjoy the pleasure of your friendship and good will.

Orele Remillard
"Your Friendly Barber"
Ormstown

NOEL

We've lined up to extend to you our sincerest Season's Greetings. May the bountiful joy that we wish you for Christmas be followed by an equal measure of happiness in the New Year.

ERNEST RENNIE
MASSEY-HARRIS IMPLEMENT Dealer
GENERAL HARDWARE
SILENT GLOW OIL BURNERS
Phone 115 Ormstown, Que.

to everyone



CHEERY GREETINGS

Here's a wish, sincere and true... May this Christmas and New Year bring every happiness to you.

ROMEO BRUNET
Manufacturer of CONCRETE PIPES
Ormstown, Que.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Warmer than ever And cheerier too, Are the Holiday wishes We're sending to you.

DICKSON'S
FEED and COAL
Ormstown, Que.

Greetings

May health, good cheer and happiness too, rush to your home on twinkling feet and abide with you, making every day Christmas Day.

BARRINGTON
FOOD LOCKER PLANT
Ormstown, Que.



Happy Holiday

May all the joys of the Holiday be heaped on you and those you love. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

D. W. FISKIN
COAL — ROOFING and BUILDING SUPPLIES
Phone 46, Howick, Que.



May your happiness this Christmas be in tune with the joyful spirit of the season. And may you retain this good cheer throughout the New Year.

C. H. BOLDUC
FRUITS and GROCERIES
Ormstown, Que.

Season's Greetings

...with every good wish for your happiness at Christmas, and throughout the New Year.

IDA BEAUCHAMP
LADIES' WEAR
Phone 39 Ormstown, Que.

JOY

While we give and receive gifts, let us always remember God's greatest gift to mankind. A Joyous Holiday to all.

S. BEAUDIN
GENERAL MERCHANT
Howick Station, Que

NOEL

Friendship... a precious possession the year 'round is especially appreciated at Christmastime. To our many loyal friends we wish a Very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness.

ROMEO DUBUC
GROCER — BUTCHER
Phone 34 Howick Que.

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

Let us stand again with the wise men, in eager wonder beside the manger... to witness the great joy in His presence and His divine love for all.

J. E. BOURCIER
COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHINGS
Phone 14 Howick, Que.

In the Spirit of Christmas...

As the tale of the miracle in the manger is once more retold... may we all receive gladsome inspiration to make this holiday one of love for all mankind. It is in this spirit that we extend the Season's best wishes to all our friends.


PLEASANT VALLEY DAIRY
Pasteurized Milk and Cream
W. L. CULLEN, Prop.
Ormstown, Que.

Here's wishing a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

to everyone

THE Season's Greetings



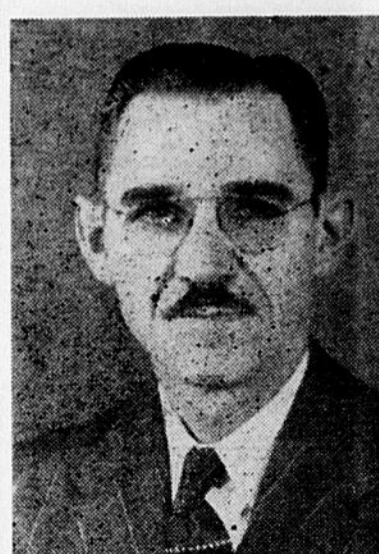
The very best of Holiday Wishes to all our friends, extended in warm appreciation of your good will and patronage.

Raoul Viau
Timken Oil Burners
Sales and Service
53 St. Lambert St.
Valleyfield, P.Q.

Best Wishes

To all our friends and patrons go our heartfelt wishes for a Christmas that will bring new happiness to all mankind.

A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year
To All!



GERARD GUINDON
FURRIER
49 MARKET STREET VALLEYFIELD, QUE.

FROM THE
Merchants of Valleyfield

Merry, merry
Christmas

With a genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to our many friends the greetings of the season with joy for Christmas and good luck for the New Year.

A. J. HICKEY AND STAFF



CANADIAN TIRE CORP'N ASSOCIATE STORE
29 NICHOLSON ST. Valleyfield, Que. A. J. Hickey
Phone 1235 Valleyfield Auto Supply

Happy Holidays

As voices are lifted in praise of Christmas, we wish our many friends all the joys of a Happy Holiday Season!



Est.
Isaie Quenneville
Machine Shop
Valleyfield Que.

MERRY CHRISTMAS




It is our sincere wish that all the exciting joy and pleasant surprises of Christmas morning live with you every day of a Happy New Year.

T. A. LANIEL ENRG.
J. FELIX LANIEL, Prop. Jeweller and Watchmaker
40 Market St. Valleyfield, P.Q.
Phone 243 Across Street from Garage Viau & Frere Reg'd. Phone Res. 884-J

Greetings

I wish to thank all my patrons and friends for their kind encouragement in 1952.

May 1953 bring you all
Joy, Happiness and
Prosperity.



MARC H. VIAU
DISTRIBUTOR
CHAMPLAIN OIL PRODUCTS
Valleyfield
Phone 331

VALLEY PAVING CO. LTD.
VALLEYFIELD, QUEBEC.



Happy Christmas

To our many friends we wish all the pleasures that a joyous Holiday Season can bring.

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON



J. PAUL CHATEL
SHOE STORE
Victoria Street. Valleyfield, P.Q.

Greetings

We're sending you loads of wishes of joy, good health and good cheer for the Holiday Season... and though they're delivered on Christmas, they're good for all the days of the New Year.



The Montreal Cottons Ltd.
VALLEYFIELD, QUE.

Season's Greetings

We thank you for your patronage in the past, and offer our heartiest good wishes for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR



Charlie Rosen
40 St. Laurent
VALLEYFIELD, QUE.

Blessings at Christmas

May we all experience the glorious feeling of peace and brotherly love this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

VALLEYFIELD SERVICE STATION
BILLETTE & PERRON, Props.
27 Alexander St. VALLEYFIELD, QUE. Phone 44

Greetings

May all the excitement and pleasure of Christmas morning remain with you long after this glorious Holiday Season has passed.

To all our friends we wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



VIAU & FRERE REG'D
DUO-THERM HEATERS AUTO ACCESSORIES
35 Market Street - Valleyfield

The Season's Greetings

May your Yuletide happiness be as bright as the glittering decorations and ornaments on your Christmas Tree!

Richer & Frere Enrg.
Authorized "PEPSI-COLA" Bottlers
VALLEYFIELD, QUE.

Greetings at Christmas

Santa's smiling countenance lights up the world on this gay and festive Holiday. We join Santa in wishing one and all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

GARAGE Z. PERRON
CHEVROLET - OLDSMOBILE - CADILLAC DEALERS
Valleyfield, Que.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS



A Christmas MESSAGE

May your Yuletide pleasure be a blend of the hearty, warm spirit of yesteryear and the joyous, thrilling, enjoyment of today

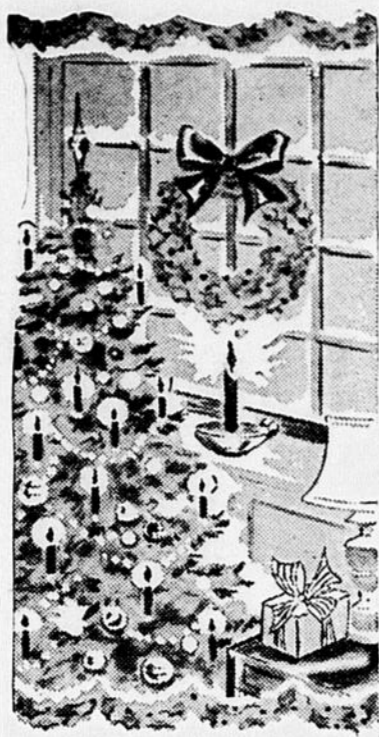
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All

HUNTINGDON MOTORS REG'D

J. F. SMYTHE and STAFF

Phone 522

Huntingdon, Que.



CHRISTMAS

Wishes

Good health, good fortune and good cheer...these are our Christmas wishes for you. And may you enjoy each of them in increasing measure every day of the New Year.

ROLFE & SONS

Huntingdon, Que.



GREETINGS!

TO ALL WE WISH
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY IN THE YEARS
TO COME

**THE CANADIAN BANK
OF COMMERCE**



Blessings at Christmas

May we all experience the glorious feeling of peace and brotherly love this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

RIEL BROS. TRANSPORT

HUNTINGDON - MONTREAL

Phone 442

Huntingdon, Que.



Greetings

May your Christmas glow with bright contentment and may the New Year reflect every joy this wish can bring.

ELITE DRESS SHOPPE

Mrs. D. FAUBERT

Phone 5009

Huntingdon, Que.



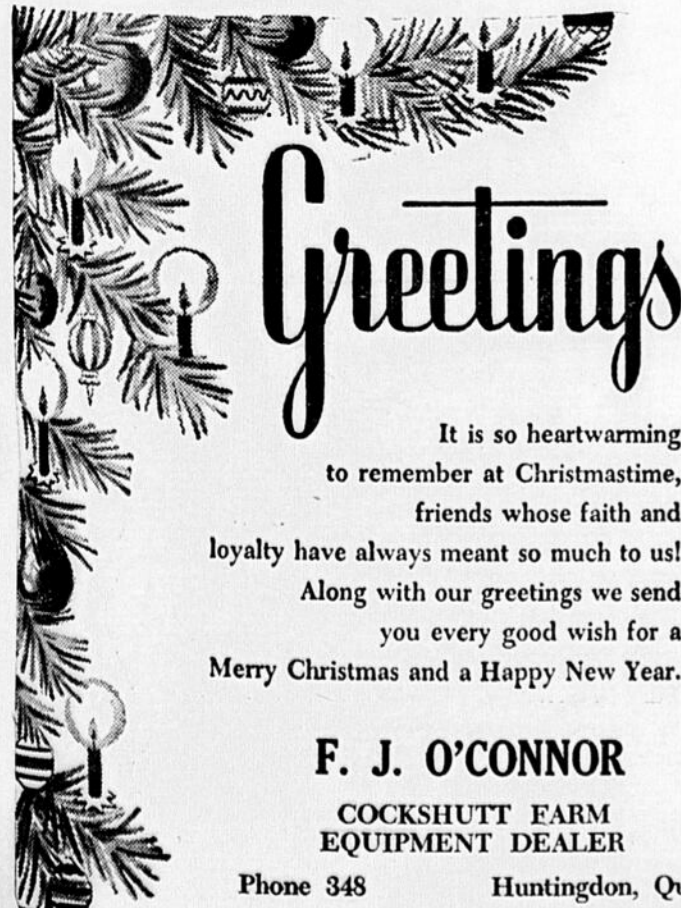
Season's Greetings

The Christmas greetings we send to you, hold every good wish for a Joyous Holiday Season.

J. E. MYERS

SHELL SERVICE STATION

Huntingdon, Que.



Greetings

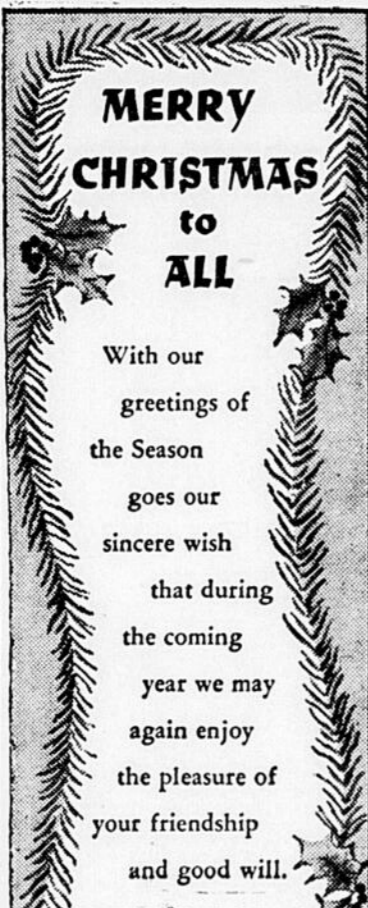
It is so heartwarming to remember at Christmastime, friends whose faith and loyalty have always meant so much to us! Along with our greetings we send you every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. J. O'CONNOR

COCKSHUTT FARM EQUIPMENT DEALER

Phone 348

Huntingdon, Que.



MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL

With our greetings of the Season goes our sincere wish that during the coming year we may again enjoy the pleasure of your friendship and good will.

W. S. BROWN

Jeweller and Graduate Optometrist

Huntingdon, Que.

Season's Greetings



Add to our many, many good wishes of past years a million more good wishes and you have all that we can wish for you this very merry Christmas.

McLEAN'S

Meat Market

Huntingdon, Que.



We're used to being Santa Claus, for we play the role for many of our friends and neighbors throughout the year. But in this holiday season we truly wish we could be three Santas at once...to wish everybody a Christmas blessed threefold in Happiness, Health and Prosperity!

LABERGE & LALONDE LTD.

HEATING and PLUMBING CONTRACTORS
ELECTRIC and GAS APPLIANCES

Phone 432 - Huntingdon - 176 Chateauguay St.



Pine Cone Legend

Once upon a time—according to Harz mountain legend—a poor miner's wife was gathering pine cones in the forest. It was just before Christmas, her husband was ill, and there was no money in the house for food. So, she gathered the cones and sold them to the villagers for kindling—obtaining enough for the day's necessities.

One morning while she was looking for such cones, a little imp jumped out of a huge fir tree. "Here, here are the biggest, driest cones of all! Take these," he shrieked, jumping up and down excitedly.

Suddenly, there was such a shower of cones that the poor woman was frightened. She tried to run away, but could not move until the little imp had filled her basket. And, having started home, the basket grew heavier and heavier—she wished the elf hadn't disappeared, he might have helped her.

When she finally reached her hut, she called the children to help carry the basket inside. Emptying the basket, they found that every cone was made of solid silver.

Commemorating these legendary silver cones, gilded pine cones are sold in modern stores, to decorate our homes—to burn and crackle gaily in our Christmas fires.

Christmas Bells

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And though how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till, ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, chime,
A chant sublime,

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Then from each black, accursed mouth
The cannon thundered in the South,
And with the sound
The carols drowned

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

It was as if an earthquake rent
The heart-stones of a continent,
And made forlorn
The households born

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead; nor doth He sleep!
The Wrong shall fall,
The Right prevail,

With peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Longfellow.

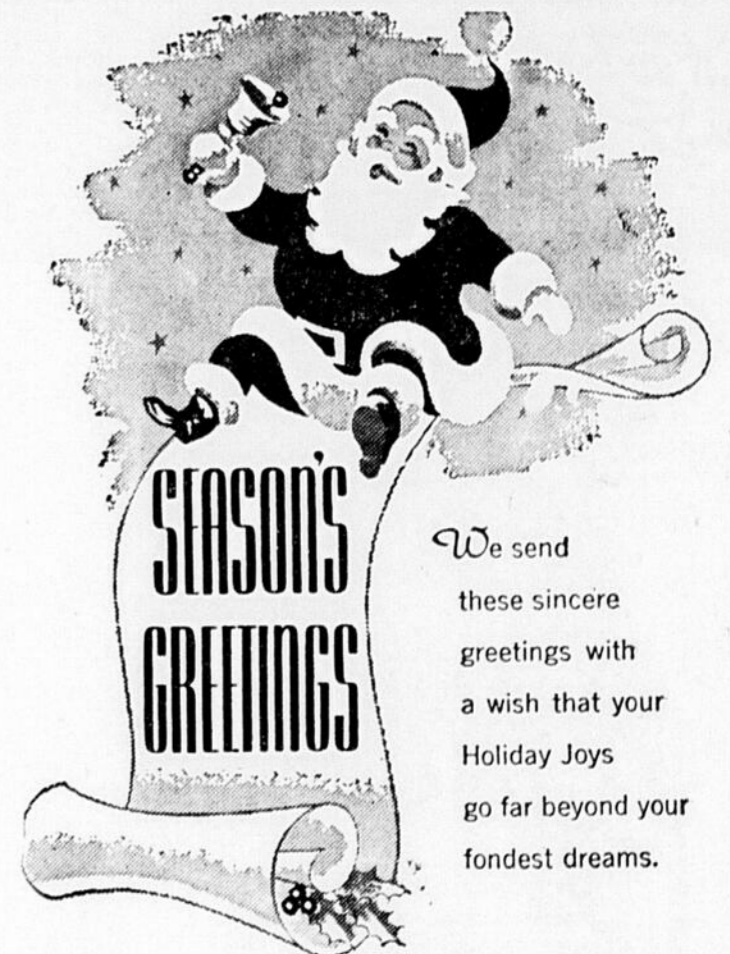


Your CASE DEALER WISHES YOU A

Merry Christmas
AND A VERY HAPPY AND
Prosperous New Year

F. C. MOORE

Huntingdon, Que.



We send these sincere greetings with a wish that your Holiday Joys go far beyond your fondest dreams.

S. J. CURRIE

"EVERYTHING ELECTRIC"

Phone 418

Huntingdon, Que.



Happy Holiday

May all the joys of the Holiday be heaped on you and those you love. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

LUXOR JEWELLERY STORE

Phone 314

Huntingdon, Que.

Christmas Greetings



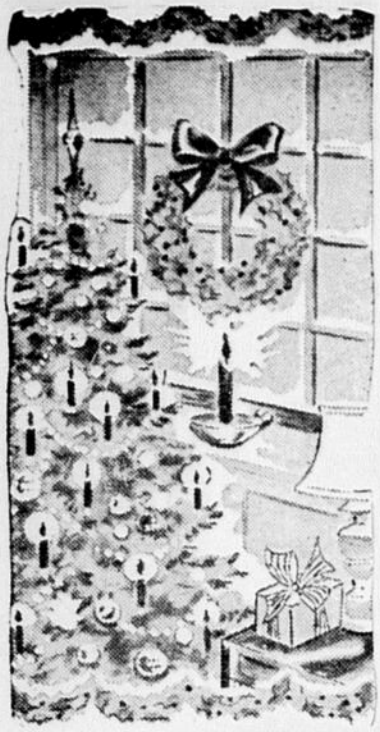
GREETINGS

May Santa's reindeer prance down your chimney, bringing bundles of joy to all your family!

A. L. LEVINE

Phone 2980

Huntingdon, Que.



CHRISTMAS Wishes

Good health, good fortune and good cheer...these are our Christmas wishes for you. And may you enjoy each of them in increasing measure every day of the New Year.

ROBERT CHAMBERS
General Merchant
Phone 712 Kensington

GREETINGS



A MERRY CHRISTMAS



J. A. C. QUESNEL
GENERAL MERCHANT

Phone 2225 Cazaville, Que.

PAYMENT IN KIND

A Christmas Story

"This household is in for a lean Christmas, all right," Bill Robinson said bitterly to his wife who had just come into the living room, dressed for marketing. Seated in an easy chair, he looked disgustedly down at his still-bandaged leg stretched out straight on an ottoman. Margaret leaned over and brushed her cheek against his. "It's enough for us to see you getting well again, honey. When I first saw you after that auto accident, I was plumb scared for your life." Bill squeezed her hand. "You're a brick dear. But we can't expect our three- and five-year-old off-

spring to understand that doctor and hospital bills have completely stripped us. Why we can't even afford a tree, let alone presents." Margaret was quiet for a second. Then she stood up and turned toward the door, said, "Speaking of the children, Bill, they're out in the kitchen with their water colours, and the two little Johnson girls are with them. Mrs. Johnson had some last minute shopping to do, and I knew you wouldn't mind watching them again." "OK," Bill answered. "That's the least I can do after the neighborly way they treated us through-

all this mess." "I'll try to be home before your Cub Scout group descends upon you. Seven lively boys are a terrific handful, I know." Voices from the kitchen broke into the silence. Judy Johnson was saying excitedly, "I think I'm going to get a doll buggy." Back came his own little Margaret's answer: "I'm going to get a doll house." "How do you know?" "Oh, because I asked for one for my birthday last summer, and Daddy smiled and said probably one would come at Christmas." Bill winced. It had been so easy, promising things for six months ahead. Just then he heard Mrs. Johnson's hearty voice at the kitchen door. "Where's Mr. Robinson? I have something here for him." "Oh, a Christmas tree!" The shrill voice of a child exclaimed. Mrs. Johnson was laughing as she appeared at the living room door. "Did you hear, Bill? Yes, I went shopping for our tree, and picked up one for you folks at the same time. It isn't so very tall, but it's big enough to cheer you all up." Mrs. Johnson went on talking, to cover Bill's embarrassment. "I'll take all the youngsters over to my house for a while." And she was gone. "Some neighbour!" Bill glowed. "Still," his face clouded over, "That tree may only point up the lack of much under it..." A loud commotion at the front door drew his attention. "Come in, the door's not locked," he called, recognizing the voices of his Cub Scouts. A whirlwind of blue-clad boys swept into the room, their eyes sparkling with happy mischief. "Oh, Mr. Robinson," the smallest one shrieked. "We've just finished all the..." "We've been working after school every day at my house, making toys for your children," a second Cub burst in. "You should see—a doll house for Maggie and a doll bed and a kitchen cupboard!" "And for little Bill, guess what?" The smallest boy couldn't keep quiet. "A wooden sled, and a garage for his little cars and some big blocks, all sanded and waxed and everything!" Bill tossed his head to get rid of the drops of mist in the corners of his eyes. "What a swell bunch of fellows," he managed to say. "But why—" "Why not?" the biggest Cub said happily. "You're the one who taught us how to use tools in the first place, aren't you? And besides, we just like the Robinsons!" He stopped suddenly, embarrassed. "Well, fellows," Bill said, after a deep breath. "I certainly didn't think so a while ago, but this is going to be one of the happiest Christmases of my life!"

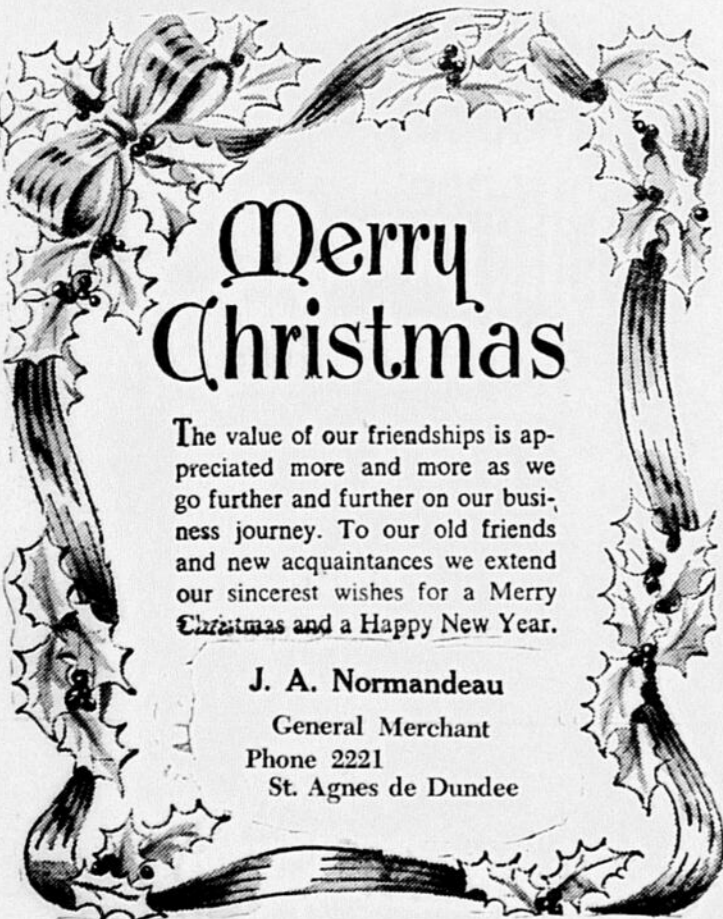


Holiday Wishes

To all our friends we wish good cheer, not only for Christmas, but for all of the coming New Year.

ROSARIO LANCTOT
GENERAL MERCHANT

Phone 809 Cazaville, Que.



Merry Christmas

The value of our friendships is appreciated more and more as we go further and further on our business journey. To our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

J. A. Normandeau
General Merchant
Phone 2221
St. Agnes de Dundee

Post Holiday Rites

In 1937, a Waukegan, Ill., minister and the residents of one city block decided to do something about the disposal of the family Christmas tree. Nothing is more forlorn than worn out Christmas trees. They deserve better fates than being dumped in alleys and vacant lots; and they constitute fire hazards on back porches and in basement areas.

So, Waukegan held its first annual Twelfth Night observance committing the trees to a community bonfire amid the chrousing of carols.

And the custom has waxed. Residents of sevenites, choruses, soloists, etc., participating as the spirits of the Christmas trees are dispatched to some fir valhalla to return to bless a future Yuletide

Legends Link Mule Gentle Camel of Jesus With Gift-Giving Way

Syrian legends have associated the Magic Mule and the Gentle Camel of Jesus with gift-giving, for reasons that are at once different, and yet similar in their association with the Christ Child.

It seems a certain traveler tied his mule to a tree when he went into an inn for refreshment on Epiphany Eve. Just at midnight, when the boughs of the tree bowed down in homage to the Holy Infant, the mule was caught up on the rebound and found cradled high up in the branches by its returning master.

The youngest camel of the three ridden by the Wise Men was exhausted by the pressing journey and was blessed with immortality by the baby Jesus as it lay moaning near the Nativity scene.



Season's Greetings

To all our friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings for a joyous Holiday Season.

ST. AGNES HOTEL

HUBERT LEBLANC
Phone 705 St. Agnes de Dundee
Orchestra Every Saturday Night



GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

WILBROD MARCHAND

MARCHAND - GENERAL MERCHANT
Phone 910 St. Agnes de Dundee

Tropical Christmas on the Islands in Hawaii

It's asking a lot to expect people born in temperate latitudes to get steamed up about Christmas in the tropics. But to children born on islands in the middle of the Pacific, Christmas is still—Christmas, writes Armine von Tempel in Cosmopolitan.

"On the outlying islands in Hawaii, Christmas is carried in on

horseback, and the jingle of pan-toles' spurs replaces the imagined tinkle of Santa's merry sleigh bells. On Christmas eve some inner part of me waits and listens all night for the tramp of horses' hoofs, the ringing of spurs above resonant guitars and gay ukuleles; for cowboy serenaders, riding from ranch to ranch.

"Like cadenced meles, which put an everlasting spell upon you, memories of Christmases spent on the sixty-thousand-acre cattle ranch my father managed on the slopes of Haleakala, the extinct volcano on the island of Maui, persist with undying vividness. A fair number of persons, representing different races making up the sum total of humanity, participated in them. Americans, Hawaiians, Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese and their crossings assembled under our roof Christmas Eve. Each group brought a flavor peculiarly its own to add to the Birthday of all birthdays.

Santa Claus—Where He Came From

By Frances D'Hondit
Detroit Times

The legend of Santa Claus was the forerunner of most of the colorful designs that now feature the yuletide decor throughout the world. Santa was first heard of in the middle ages when he was known as St. Nicholas.

Even now in Belgium and the Netherlands, St. Nicholas (a Christian martyr of the Fourth Century who was considered the most benevolent bishop of all times and especially kind to children) rides through the streets, dressed as a bishop, on a white donkey.

On the way, he secretes gifts in the wooden shoes of good little children, but if Hans or Katrina has misbehaved, St. Nick leaves a bundle of switches.

It was the Dutch settlers who first introduced St. Nicholas in New Amsterdam, now New York.

Early Puritans had previously observed a strict fast during the Christmas season, but they readily accepted the gay spirit of St. Nick's visits.

St. Nicholas became so popular that Washington Irving in 1809 dubbed him the guardian of New York and described him as a jolly fellow with a broad-brimmed hat, huge breeches with expansive pockets from which he dropped gifts as he travelled through the tree-tops in his horse-drawn wagon.

Then in 1822 Clement C. Moore in his "Visit of St. Nicholas" described the Santa Claus we know, and substituted reindeer in place of the fiery steed.

Hawaiian Christmas Is Elaborate Affair

Although many Hawaiians have seen ice only as frozen in mechanical refrigerators, the trees used by the islanders for Christmas decorations are painted white to simulate snow.

Christmas dinner is an elaborate affair, enjoyed in the privacy of the home behind locked doors and drawn blinds. An open-house hospitality is an economic impossibility; if the shades were not drawn and the doors not locked, homes would be invaded by hordes of strangers—all expecting food and drink.

Gift-giving is the order of the day as everyone exchanges inexpensive presents. Even the servants in hotels expect and receive gifts from over-night guests.



Merry Christmas

May we extend to you our very best wishes for a Holiday Season rich in happiness and joy.

D. S. McCollm
GENERAL MERCHANT
Phone 840 Dewittville



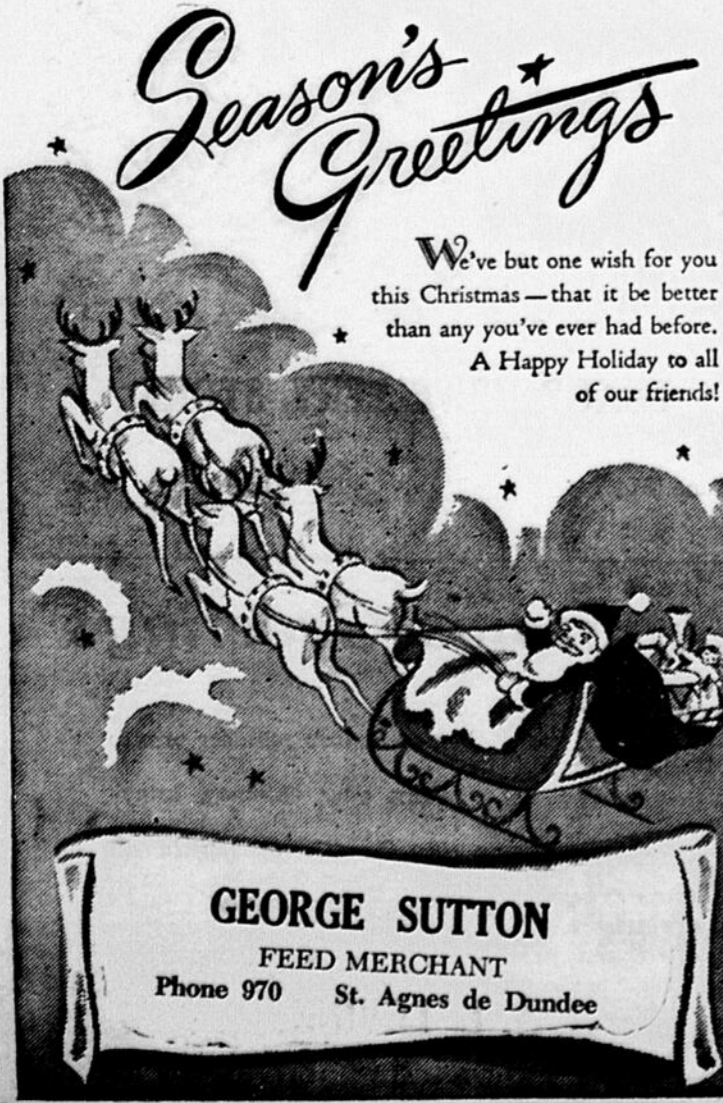
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For your friendship and good will we extend a hearty "Thank You."

May you have a delightful Christmas and a successful New Year.

J. E. QUENNEVILLE
GENERAL MERCHANT

Phone 801 St. Anicet, Que.



Season's Greetings

We've but one wish for you this Christmas—that it be better than any you've ever had before. A Happy Holiday to all of our friends!

GEORGE SUTTON
FEED MERCHANT
Phone 970 St. Agnes de Dundee