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1000th Neptune Delivered

Lockheed deliveries of P2V Neptunes to the U.S. Navy reached a historic 1000 today — 16 years after the antisubmarine warfare plane's flight on May 17, 1945.

Hailed on its introduction as "a new kind of airplane for peace patrol," the original P2V-1 was the Navy's first land-based plane designed specifically for sea searches.

It had the greatest range (more than 5000 miles), speed (300-plus m.p.h.) and armament (fitted for atomic bombs) of any patrol and search bomber to that time. More than two tons of radar insured all-weather operation.

The "Truculent Turtle," third P2V-1 off the production line, proved its performance in 1946 by setting a world's distance flight record unbeaten to this day — 11,236 non-stop, non-refueled statute miles from Perth, Australia to Columbus, Ohio.

In nearly 20 years of continued engineering development since design inception in 1942, the original twin-engine patrol bomber evolved into today's sophisticated, four-engine P2V-7 — highly-specialized ASW weapon.

Sample comparisons: the original Neptune weighed 55,000 pounds on takeoff; today's model, 80,000 pounds. Original P2V-1 horsepower totaled 4600; P2V-7 horsepower is 1500, plus 6800 pounds of jet thrust. Electronic search and detection gear is up from the P2V-1's 1500 pounds to 5500 pounds — a two-ton difference.

Best performer of all models is the current P2V-7: harder hitting, more elusive, faster. Two jet pods mounted on under-wing pylon pro-

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LAC Seguin, Tuba artist with the Stn. Band, winner in the open Tuba class in the recent Manitoba Music Festival, achieved a Certificate of Distinction from the Canadian Bandmasters Association, Manitoba Chapter.

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G/C J. F. Mitchell bids farewell to 14 of his headquarters officers who are leaving Stn. Winnipeg.

And Then There Were None

Each of the victims of a mysterious host will be killed in the manner prescribed by the "Ten Little Indians" rhyme as the RCAF Drama Club start rehearsing their production of Agatha Christie's grisly murder melodrama, "And Then There Were None" at their Sharpe Blvd. Theatre tomorrow, in preparation for an opening at the playhouse next June 7.

This is the macabre tale of multiple murders which scored a smash success in both New York and London and was described by the N.Y. Herald-Tribune critic as "a homicidal field day right up to the final curtain."

Myrna Boode will be seen as the lovely Vera Claythorne, secretary of the unknown host who fails to appear to greet the ten guests who have assembled for a house party at a luxurious mansion on lonely Indian Island, off the coast of England, while Jack Harrington will be playing the part of the adventuring Capt. Lombard, in love with Miss Claythorne. Other members of the motley group who are accused, each in his turn, of murder — by a voice on a phonograph record — will be played by Cliff McDonald, Bob Caine, Esther Davies, Bill Davie, Dave McBurney, Nancy Franklin, Bob Reeks and Dave Kilpatrick.

At some time each of the guests has killed and got away with it, but now they must pay. And, as one after another of the china "ten little indians" vanishes from the mantelpiece, one of the guests pays the death penalty. One is pushed off a cliff, another is found limp in a chair with a gunshot wound in his head, another is garroted, another stabbed — and the wholesale homicide continues!

"And Then There Were None",

which was Agatha Christie's first play, will continue at the RCAF Drama Club Theatre for four performances through June 10.

Cadet of the Week



F/C R. A. Sieffert, 6004 RO, was selected as Cadet of the Week for the period of May 8-12. His hometown is Port Elgin, Ont., where he attended Sugeen District High School and received his Senior Matriculation. He joined the Air Force on 27 February 1960 and is now training for Radio Officer duties. His parents reside at Turners, Ont.



Front Row (left to right): Clive Bate, S/L R. A. Coulter, F/O Don Hall. 2nd Row: K. MacLean, J. Lord, G. Stebbings, B. Morgan, V. Fisher, C. Thomas, L. Huston, R. Crouch. 3rd Row: P. Barrett, B. Moyles, N. MacMurchy, R. Ashbury, G. Booth, J. Footill, D. Ianson, S. Heppner. 4th Row: G. Price, B. Mitchell, V. Taylor, F. Fisher, L. Bertrand, M. Church, M. Fenton, I. Leaker, B. Coulter.



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National Convention In Winnipeg

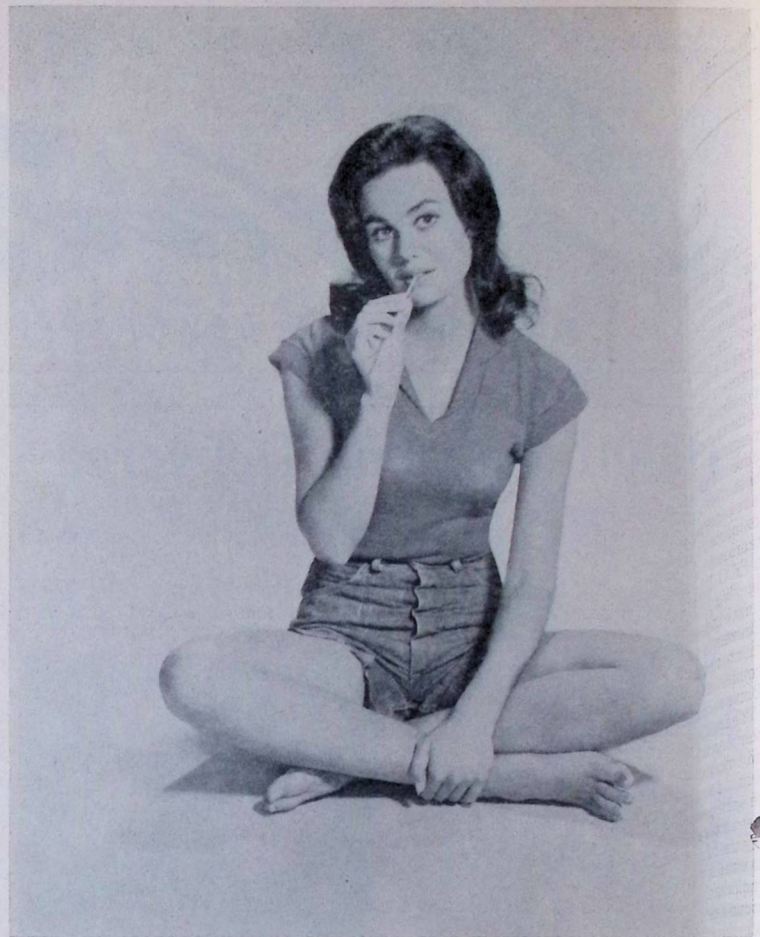
An address by Air Marshall Hugh Campbell, Chief of the Air Staff, will be the main feature at today's morning's session of the R.C.A.F. Association Convention. Continuing their three day round of activities at the Royal Alexandra Hotel, delegates from all ten provinces had another full day of business sessions and special events.

At noon there was a luncheon program in the hotel with the City of Winnipeg acting as hosts for this occasion. During the afternoon session election and installation of officers for the National Organization received the attention of the delegates.

The day's program concluded with the traditional Annual Banquet, and the Keystone Ball. Guest speaker at the Banquet was the Hon. Douglas S. Harkness, Minister of National Defence, who had a message of interest and importance for his audience.

The final business session of the conference will take place on Saturday morning, the 20th, at which the remaining items on the agenda will be concluded. This will be followed by a colorful closing ceremony—the Retiring of The Colours.

Presentation of annual awards will take place at luncheon. Special events will take place on Saturday afternoon. Finally on Saturday evening, the Winnipeg Host Wing will stage an "Open House" for the delegates at their quarters on the RCAF Station in Winnipeg.



COUNTRY GIRL — Sharon Hugueny, talented teenager starring in Warner Bros.' "Farrish," takes this pixyish pose to show that the country lass, if she puts her mind to it, can make more than hay.

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SECTION NEWS

CNS NEWS

By F/O C. HODGSON

CNS, soon, will be starting a new era, the introduction of pilots to its instructional staff. With the numerous subjects covered by CNS and the detailed treatment given them it became apparent that if all aircrew points of view were to be considered in lectures as well as in studies prepared by CNS, pilot representation was a necessity. Because of the type of work in which these pilots will be involved, all have engineering backgrounds. The distinction of being the first pilot transferred to CNS staff has gone to F/O J. H. Roddick of ANS Flying Wing. F/O Roddick is an electrical engineering graduate of the University of Saskatchewan and prior to remustering to aircrew, he completed the Armament Officers' Course at Camp Borden.

The SpecN Course returned from their Arctic Tour (28 April issue) and reported that they set somewhat of a record in flying. During the active period of five days they flew a total of 87½ hours including three flights over the pole each navigated by one of the SpecN syndicates. The average turn-around period for the one North Star aircraft was 2 hours and 15 minutes. During this six day tour one day was spent visiting the Ballistic Missile Early Warning site at Thule, Greenland.

Club 61

With spaceflights and astronauts stealing the choice headlines, news from "Club 61" is somewhat pushed at the background. We cannot all be "out of this world", some must be left behind to take care of everyday business.

It appears, that this column is to many married couples and personnel away from Station Winnipeg the only link with the mess. Therefore they missed these series. We regret that the article did not appear for a few weeks, this was a result of tradeboards, absences and other such unpleasanties which are not strange to airforce personnel. They are familiar events, we are not shocked by them or surprised, so we will not dwell on them.

An unfamiliar event however, was dining-in night on Friday May 5th. An account of this activity follows, with the sole intention of keeping wives and girlfriends informed. The descriptions herein are not to be used to trip up your husband or boyfriend in case you doubted his story. After the taking of this solemn oath or promise you may proceed.

The stag or dining-in night was held in honour of S/L Oliver, our departing food service officer, who is leaving for Trenton, Ontario.

At 7 o'clock the members and guests assembled in the lower lounge for cocktails. The number of persons was far beyond the hundred mark. Regrettably, our commanding officer was unable to be present due to other commitments, although he had hoped to be present. This was the first time our new guest book made its appearance. This new book, with airforce blue leatherette cover, is provided

for the recording of special guests visiting our club. Diagonally across the front cover runs a red band with gold "Club 61" inscription. The left upper corner is occupied by the airforce crest, while in the lower right corner is written "Guest Book".

This cocktail half-hour was well organized. Imagine a dance floor, rather dark in the center, with under the bandstand lights a table with filled cocktail glasses and on the opposite side another table with the same display. What could be more perfect. You would neatly lift a glass from one table, stroll to the other table to get a new glass. Now, if you did not bother to talk to your friends — or did talk to them and enlist them in your scheme — you could appear to be the perfect gentleman and still get a good share of the cocktails. But seriously, the tables were well and attractively arranged and our bar-members make perfect cocktails.

After the cocktails were downed, the party moved upstairs to the dining lounge where we were greeted by tables arranged in the shape of an E and the fresh tulips and soft candlelight provided that definite cozy atmosphere. Dinner commenced with the saying of grace by W/C Millar, shortly after a toast had been made to Her Majesty the Queen. The main attraction of the dinner was the one-inch steak which covered the plate, perfectly done and smothered by mushrooms. Dessert consisted of strawberry sundaes with whipped cream, enough to make all forget any diets they may have been on. While we were sipping coffee, our PMC Lac Whorrall proposed a toast to S/L Oliver and made a short speech. S/L Oliver was presented by the PMC with a beautiful desk pen set. S/L Oliver now made a short, interesting speech in which he mentioned that his desire has always been to work closely with the aircraftmen. At one time he was Honorary PMC here at Winnipeg, as well as at number one fighter wing overseas and at

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"CALL 308"

by "WAG"

Hi there! We've got a code in the code this week—so don't sit too close to the paper when you read this—(That doesn't sound right somehow, does it?)

Went on a little trip to Cool Pool last week, had a look at their station—it's actually not as desolate as some people would have you believe—looks like they have a lot of community spirit, and certainly lots of facilities. Saw a movie there entitled "Please Turn Over"—an English comedy—funniest think we've seen in a long time—don't miss it!

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OLD SMOOTHIE SAYS: "By the time a man is old enough and rich enough to really enjoy all of the good things in life, his doctor makes him give them up!"

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We read an interesting note the other day regarding the household budget. Went like this: "The secret of economy is to live as cheaply the first few days after payday as you lived the last few days before." Makes sense!!

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We dropped in the "Roundup Room" restaurant in the Mall Hotel the other day—delicious Charcoal Broiled goodies served at reasonable prices—handy to all of the stores too!

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With the advent of summer, we'd like to tell you about the Mom and Dad who were enjoying a quiet breakfast just after getting the youngsters off to summer camp. The Mom, with a catch in her voice, said: "Gee I miss the kids already!" The Dad, with a sly smile, replied: "Me too. Why don't you knock over my coffee and throw some jam in my hair?"

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Sign in a Motel which had just installed a new sprinkler system: "DON'T SMOKE IN BED—YOU MAY DROWN YOURSELF."

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The RCAFA is meeting in Winnipeg this week—with representatives of various wings from across the country in attendance. For those who may not know it, the Association, among its many activities, is the prime mover behind the Air Cadet movement in Canada. Bet there will be some interesting tales of past experiences sprinkled liberally throughout the conference!

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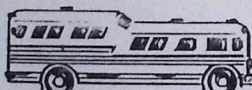


JOE THE R.O. SAYS: "A grapefruit is very much like a peepshow. Either one can give you quite an eyeful!"

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So that's it for this week. Be kind to dumb animals on Father's Day, and as Confucius say: "Bride who dislike housework soon find out if new groom sweep good."

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Last minute thought: PLEASE BE CAREFUL WITH FIREWORKS THIS WEEKEND, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH EXPLODE OR THROW FIREBALLS ALL OVER THE PLACE.

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"CLUB 61"

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Edmonton. He stressed that his door is always open to anyone who is in need of his advice, regarding the mess or other matters. Those who know him will verify this. S/L Oliver is leaving for Trenton as I mentioned before. Unofficial source has it that he intends to live in a farmhouse; perhaps to raise food for the airmen? He helped us here in Winnipeg a great deal, that one-inch steak was just an example.

The wine was served by the airwomen. They did an excellent job and rushed to the scene if an empty glass was found. A special applause was given to the kitchen staff for the preparation and serving of such a swell dinner.

Once again down to the lower lounge, the members kept their voices smooth with the aid of the free drinks, for which tickets had been issued. At approximately 9.30 gifts were presented to S/L Oliver by our PMC LAC Whorrall. The first one was a large 8-ball. This 8-ball is supposed to perform similar feats as a crystal ball he was assured. All that is needed is to polish it up a bit to get a clear vision of things to come and get an answer to all problems. Unfortunately, S/L Oliver only received a foggy image. Another present was a pair of giant sunglasses. "These," he was told, "are to hide your eyes when you drive to Trenton after all these far well parties."

Entertainment was provided by Franc Gilraine and Len Andre. These top comedians kept the audience in tears of laughter with their wit, one was outdoing the other.

The members are grateful to the Non-Public Fund for letting us enjoy this dinner at such a nominal cost. It turned out so well, that the most critical critics admitted to its success.

In an interview the PMC, LAC Whorrall wished to make the following observations:

"It was a pleasure to attend this function, it is the only night I can remember since last September, that there were no complaints. Now I do not mind complaints, that is my job, to iron these out, but it is gratifying to hear praise also. I will continue to do my job, serving the mess in any way I can.

As I will be leaving soon, I want to use this opportunity to introduce my successor LAC A. Martin, better known as "Spike". Spike is well known at the station. He is an ardent hockey player, works in hangar 16 as Aero-Engine Technician. He is no newcomer to the service, he already chalked up 7

years. LAC Martin is single, this conforms with our policy of having alternately a single and married man as PMC. Around May 18th he will take over when new committee members will also be selected.

I make an appeal to airmen of this station who frequent the mess regularly, to attend this meeting and vote for the man of your choice, or better yet, to make yourself available for nomination. As you men are in the mess often, you know the requirements and the kind of person needed for the job. The date for the meeting will be duly promulgated in daily orders.

The standard of dress at the dining-in night was high. Let's keep this so and ensure that signed-in guests conform to this. One important note: Do not sign in a guest unless he or she is of the legal age at which alcohol may be consumed."

Your roving reporter now wishes to draw your attention to our entertainment schedule for the remainder of this month. Here follow the more important events:

- Sun. 14 May—Band Dance.
- Sat. 20 May—Band Dance.
- Fri. 26 May—Subsidized Beer Night.
- Sun. 28 May—Band Dance.

You can pin this information on your locker door or on the social page of your date book or something. Names of the bands are not known, this is often a last minute decision so it is difficult to forecast, but it will be advertised on our notice boards on the station, that is, if the notice boards are still there. Some have disappeared and perhaps decorate someone's private dwelling?

3 COMM. UNIT

Now that summer is over, one can look forward to many indoor activities, notably bridge or hearts. Anybody can play hearts but bridge calls for a more deft hand. The number of 3CU types who don't play bridge are in the minority and every lunch hour one can witness two or three exciting contracts.

Bidding, the more complicated half of the game, can lead a partnership to trouble and usually means the player must attempt more finesses than would have been necessary under proper bidding. Whilst this could be healthy, most of us chicken out and as a result get a blast from dummy. In any event, bridge lends a lighter side to the pressure of work.

Other indoor activities include such things as section parties and far be it from me to remind the committee that we haven't had one for some time now. . . .

With a break in the weather, the gardeners among us might be able to plant a few flowers around the house now—they should blossom forth around November.

FIRE IN THE HOME

Each year in Canada and the United States thousands of men, women and children are killed by fire. Thousands more suffer injury, many recover but there are still those who are unfortunate to be disabled for life.

The unfortunate part is that the majority of these fires need never have happened. It is estimated that nine out of ten of all home fires

could be prevented if a few simple house-keeping rules were observed. A few of these simple rules are as follows:

- (a) Proper storage of matches out of the reach of children.
- (b) Regular checkup of heating systems and chimneys.
- (c) Proper use and storage of flammable liquids. (e.g. naphtha, gasoline and benzene.)
- (d) Proper storage of rubbish and other combustible material.
- (e) Be sure you use the proper size fuses, 15 ampere fuses are recommended for most household circuits.
- (f) Do not "SMOKE" in bed.



The ANS Annual Bowling Banquet was held Saturday evening. Some of the winners are seen with their trophies. First place winners will appear next week. Front Row (left to right): S/L Michael, F/O Corozza, F/L Holley, F/L Thomas, F/O Saunders, F/O Mills, F/O Sakamoto, F/L Saunders, W/C Bayliss. Back Row: Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Bayliss, Mrs. McNichol, Mrs. Garrett, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Hache, Mrs. Mitchell, F/O Caron, F/L Young, Major Howes, S/L McNichol, S/L Garret, Major Shaw, F/L Kerr, G/C Mitchell.

NEPTUNE

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provide extra power for short takeoffs or for combat pursuit. Sensitive Julie and Jezebel electronic systems — one active, the other passive — are complementary for underwater submarine detection at ranges never before possible.

Contracts signed to date extend manufacture of P2V-7s, whose capability is computed at approximately three times the original Neptune's tactical effectiveness, to September 1962.

Following success of the first series, the P2V-2, with improved electronics equipment, added skis for Antarctic operation and photo-mapped 30,000 square mile of southeast Asia.

New radar extending ASW search and attack perimeters was installed on P2V-3s, which used water injection to increase engine horsepower and flew from the USS Coral Sea with the extra thrust of

rocket-assist takeoff units.

The P2V-4 introduced turbo-compound engines, later to provide an important performance increase for pre-jet commercial transports.

First Neptunes to enter service for friendly foreign powers were P2V-5s, to England and Australia. Later came Argentina, Brazil, Canada, France, Japan, The Netherlands and Portugal.

MAD — magnetic anomaly detection — gear was incorporated in the tail section of the P2V-6. Interior design of the sixth model benefited from Lockheed's "minimum crew" studies.

Entertainment In Messes

OFFICERS' MESS

- Fri. 19 May—Mess Dinner.
- Sat. 20 May—Hi-Fi Dance.
- Sun. 21 May—Sunday Dinner.

SARGEANTS' MESS

- Fri. 19 May—1600 hrs.—Mess Meeting.
- Sat. 20 May—1700 hrs.—Stag.
- Sun. 21 May—Open House.

CLUB 61

- Fri. 19 May—Open House.
- Sat. 20 May—Band Dance—"Carl Asplund".
- Sun. 21 May—Open House.

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thrilled to have had the opportunity to sit down and chat with him and I'm sure when the "gab" session was over with our hockey players Bill Mosienko had 25 new fans.

Our hats off to the organizer of this banquet, it was first class all the way and I'm sure all who were in attendance feel as I do that this sports banquet was about the best ever presented on the Station.

selection had not been made. The team can carry 18 players for each contest and has up until the fifth league game to name the 18 regulars that will be playing for the season.

Richard (Dick) Meyers, one of the keenest and smartest baseball minds in the area, and who has followed the Stn. team in practise all spring and also knew last year's team, stated in an interview last week that he though this year's edition of the Stn. team was about on par with last season's squad. "I think the over-all balance is better though," stated Meyers. "Pitching is a big question marks. If

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STN. BASEBALL

The Stn. baseball team will open their season Sun. 28 May at Rio Park in St. Vital. Game time is slated for 4 p.m. St. Claude Millers will supply the opposition.

Last season the team fared quite well in the Inter-Par League, they wound up in fourth spot with 12 wins and 6 losses.

This years team is made up of last years players but there is at least six new faces slated to be in the lineup on opening day, at the time of this writing a final



Bill Mosienko presenting sports award to Spike Martin of the Maint Beavers, winners of the Inter-Par Hockey League.



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SPORTS BANQUET

The 1960 sports season at RCAF Station Winnipeg was climaxed by the annual sports banquet. Over 150 athletes from this Station jammed Club 61 last Tuesday (9 May) to take part in the presentation of the various sports awards presented to them for being Inter Sec. Champs or Station representatives in their sport on the Station.

At the head table to present awards were: F/L Thomas, F/L Tunstead, F/O Tucker, F/L Proulx and S/L Michell, all from the sports council on the Station; the Commanding Officer, G/C Mitchell, the CadO, W/C Miller and the SWO, WO1 Picton, also were in attendance representing the Station. Special guests from the down town area were, Bill Mosienko, former NHL star, Joe Zaleski, from Blue Bomber fame, George Fontaine, from the basketball league down town, and Jack Matthewson, sports editor of the Winnipeg Tribune.

Master of ceremonies of the gala affair was F/L Ken McLean, the SRecO on the Station; he introduced the special guests who in turn help present the awards.

The CO talked briefly and paid tribute to our athletes who participate in sports on the station.

When the presentation of awards was complete, the last Patterson,

Johansson championship fight was shown on film.

Bill Mosienko held a question and answer session with players from the station hockey team and members from the Inter-Sec. Hockey Champs, the questions flowed thick and fast from the enthusiastic airmen, Mosienko's honest, brief, quick witted answers drew a great respect from the players. The hockey stars pulled no punches and some of the questions that were asked, I thought would be a little tough for him to answer straight forward, Mosie never ducked one question though and in some cases revealed some details that a fan would never read about on the sports page concerning the habits of some players.

For myself personally it was the first time I had ever met Bill Mosienko, I can honestly say I was

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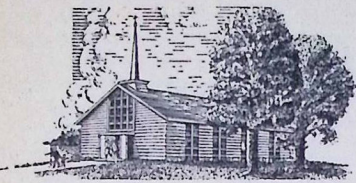
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Chapel News

PROTESTANT CHAPEL NEWS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 21st MAY

0830 hrs.—Holy Communion—Anglican. Communicant members of other churches are welcome.

0930 hrs.—Junior Congregation — Chapel.

1100 hrs.—Kindergarten — Basement, Rec Hall.

—Primary — Cinema.

—Nursery — Chapel Annex.

—Divine Worship — Chapel.

1900hrs.—Senior Teens.

THURSDAY, 25th MAY

2000 hrs.—Senior Choir Practise.

FRIDAY, 26th MAY

1615 hrs.—Junior Choir Practise.

JUNIOR CHOIR PARTY

Courtesy of the Chapel Committee the members of the Junior Choir will have a spring party in the Chapel Annex, Friday afternoon, 26th May, right after school. Mothers of choir members are reminded that their young singers

will be fed at the party and won't be home till about six o'clock — just in time no doubt for a second meal. The spring party marks the end of practises for the Junior Choir until they are called together again in the fall. Thank you to the children for their music and to their parents for their support and interest.

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, 28th May, 1500 hrs., Bldg. 17—Farewell Tea for Padre and Mrs. Christmas.

Wednesday, 31st May, 2000 hrs., Bldg. 24—Sunday School Staff party.

Thursday, 1st June, 2030 hrs., Bldg. 17—Senior Choir party.

WORLD CIRCULATION OF THE SCRIPTURES MOUNTING

The world circulation of the Scriptures (Bibles, New Testaments and Portions) in 1961 was the highest on record. The figures achieved by the Bible Societies alone exceed 30 millions. The most conspicuous increases were in Latin America, with an increase of one and three quarter million copies, and in Asia, where the increase amounted to nearly one and one-half million. Figures for Africa also show a steady upward trend and those for almost every country in the continent.

The Canadian Bible Society reports a circulation in Canada of 300,000 Scriptures in 86 different languages.

SPORTS

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Cummings can come through there shouldn't be any problems in that department however. There is little to choose from in hitting. The team lost a good hitter in Harold McKim, but this Marc Joly should pick up some of the slack. The infield will be as good as any in the league and I can't see the outfield posing any problems. The bench will be much stronger than what we had last year." Meyers also said: "I think the team will win their share of games and lose a few also. They should make the play-offs but they will have to play hard all the way."

On the mound opening day for the local team will likely be Don

(Chico) Maki. Maki is a big right-hander with lots of pitching knowledge. He was on last year's roster and compiled a 7-2 won-loss record for the season. Denis Gauthier will be the second half of the battery, handling catching chores. Gauthier has one of the strongest arms seen around these parts for a long time, and I don't think too many runners will be stealing bases on this fellow. He is also a good hitter and slams the long ball.

The infield will be made up of Spike Martin, Gust Carter, Ed Wadman and Bill Boran. The four are all "down homers" (hail from NS). Martin is the first baseman, is 6'2" and can handle himself around the initial sack. Carter plays second probably better than anyone else in the league. Last year he had a .406 batting average and was an all-round stand-out. Wadman holds down the hot corner. He has a strong arm and although his batting average dipped last season, hopes are high that he can bounce back and regain the form he flashed here two years ago. Boran will start at SS. He can play a number of positions well and his strong arm, fast movements and alert thinking make him an ideal man for short-stop.

The outfield hasn't been named as yet but there are a number of outstanding candidates battling for the three positions.

The team will be playing their games on the new field behind the Rec Centre and for next week's Voxair we hope to have the schedule for all home games to be played on the Stn., but don't forget opening day—Rio Park, St. Vital, Sun., 28 May, 4 p.m., RCAF Stn. Wpg. vs. St. Claude Millers. If you're not sure on how to get to Rio Park just call the Rec Centre at local 511 for direction.

TIPS FOR THE PITCHER

For our third and final baseball instruction we will review a few do's and don'ts a pitcher should be aware of on the ball field.

Most baseball experts contend that pitching is 75% of the game. Although the percentage may not be quite that high, we are all well aware of the fact that the team with a strong pitching staff will usually win the most games over a season.

In a league such as our team on the Stn. competes in, a pitcher can usually get by with a good fast ball. This is the reason a lot of you may remember some local boy that played ball in your home town and was a real sensation. He could really set the hitters back on their heels with his blazing fast ball, but his lack of variety was the main reason he may never have made it BIG as a ball player.

1. Always check the position of your defensive players before

stepping on the pitching rubber.

2. Keep relaxed, feel and act confident on the mound.
3. Try to know the hitters and usually give special consideration to the third, fourth, and fifth place hitters as these players usually supply the punch of a team.
4. Work hard on the first batter each inning because the majority of rallies start with the lead-off man.
5. Be alert for base running tactics.
6. Permit your infielders to catch pop flies near the mound, but make the catch if necessary.
7. Practise fielding bunts.
8. "Break" toward first to cover on every ground ball.
9. Always back up the plate and the third baseman on throws to get a base-runner.
10. Never "let up" — treat every batter as a threat, always throw your "stuff" on the ball.

Bridge Tournament

An Officers' Mess Bridge Championship has been scheduled for 1900 hrs. Wed. 31 May. All officers and their wives are cordially invited.

Mr. J. J. Cohen, past president of the Winnipeg Contract Bridge Club, will be present to supervise the tournament and ensure that rules are known to all players.

The duplicate bridge system will be used. Entry fee is \$1.50 per couple. Deadline for entries is 1200 hrs. 29 May. For registration call F/O Vacirca at 364, F/L Ackert at 583 or Mr. Johnston at 475.

The presence of 16 couples will be necessary to assure success of this function. If this minimum number is not reached the tournament will be cancelled.

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ANOTHER CHANCE

The other day when visiting one of the police stations, my attention was drawn to a melodramatic scene in the corridor. A young boy, about ten years of age I would suggest, was being questioned about his actions in stealing chocolate bars from a drug store. The boy wasn't crying at this time but you could tell from the grimy tear streaks on his face that he had been earlier. Probably when apprehended. His name was John, he said, and no amount of coaxing could get the surname from him or any further identity. It appeared quite obvious that he feared retribution at home should the knowledge reach that level.

He was a non-de-script lad, poorly clad and badly in need of a haircut and wash. Perhaps soap and water were as scarce as food, which he was attempting to steal. In any event, this would be a natural deduction under the circumstances and his condition.

I felt a personal sympathy for the boy, though the same as most adults who are well fed and healthy feel for all troubled boys and girls. Although I realized that there was an important lesson in life that he should learn from this incident, "Thou shalt not steal", I still felt that it would be a most difficult lesson to impress upon a hungry boy.

However, things frequently work out for the best when the human element is involved. Two, what had heretofore appeared to be stern, forcible policemen, now broke into a grin and the complainant, obviously the druggist involved, seemed to look greatly relieved. This changed attitude appeared to give the boy a new lease on life and he pulled a dirty handkerchief from the paunched pants pocket and wetting it at the water fountain, swabbed the dry tear stains from his face.

The young face, a lot cleaner now, looked too pinched and tired for a boy's face and the frail figure seemed badly undernourished as well. "If I said I was sorry and would never steal again, will you let me go?" he inquired hopefully. "I only took three bars and I could perhaps get the money from Mother to pay for them."

This proposal was waved off by the druggist who now stated that he wanted no reimbursement, only assurance that the boy would not steal from his store again. This was hastily given and in doing so it seemed as though the boy was going to break out in tears again.

One of the policemen tore up and discarded the paper he had been writing on, and I could see that the case was almost over.

It was impossible to know whether the boy had profited from this experience or not. I sincerely hoped so for his sake. His humility seemed like punishment enough and I had only watched the outcome to re-assure myself that he would not walk away without apology for his actions and a boy's promise not to do it again. Strange too; policemen, the druggist and myself all wanted so much to believe him, that we did!

MAKE-BELIEVE LAND

Young Mark and Tracy Anne and Fay Had been playing in the house all day.

The snow all winter on the ground had lain,

But was now being washed away by rain.

The wind which blew made their cheeks so ruddy,

But the rain coming down made the ground so muddy.

So mummy had said that they must stay till it dried,

And they couldn't go out, no matter how they tried.

Mark was disgusted, and said, "Oh, this rain;

Why can't it go away, and never come again?"

While they were in bed that night, down came the bear

From its place in the sky, and said, "I'll take you where

You will see that the rain, you cannot do without,

And I'll prove it to you without any doubt.

So to Dry-Land they went way up in the sky,

And when they arrived they all felt so dry.

"Can we have a drink," they all started to shout,

But the bear said, "I'm sorry, you'll have to do without,

As it doesn't rain here, there's nothing to drink.

There are not even taps above any kitchen sink."

"Well we'll just get some water from a river or sea,"

And the bear said, "I'm afraid that that cannot be.

The rivers are dried up, it isn't my fault,

And the seas are just, great big cakes of salt."

"Well surely," said Mark, "Things aren't as bad as they seem,

Can't we have a drink of some milk, or some cream."

"Well, I'd like to help you, but can you say how,

You can get milk and cream out of a dry cow.

There's no icecream or orange juice, or anything like that,

Not even enough water to fill a gnat's hat."

As they walked further they saw some small trees

That were so short, they hardly came up to Fay's knees.

"Well," said Tracy Anne, "They do sprout so slow."

"Yes," said the bear, "They need water to grow.

In all of this land, nothing can be seen

As it is down on earth, all bright and green.

No fields of grass, or gardens of flowers,

And no ivy climbing up country church towers.

If rain doesn't come and soak into the ground,

No plants will pop up; No grass will be found."

"No oceans or rivers or streams, why," Mark said,

Without any water all the fish would be dead."

"Yes," said the bear, "Without fish, vegetables or meat,

You all would go hungry, with nothing to eat."

"At least," Young Fay said, "Mark would have no fears,

Without water he couldn't wash behind his ears."

"That's one good point," said Mark, "But isn't it hot."

"It is," said the bear, "Have you noticed there's not

A cloud in the sky." Tracy Anne said, "Why sure,

That's because clouds are made up of drops of moisture."

"Moisture?" said Fay, "That's water no doubt."

"Just like what comes from the tea kettle's spout,"

Said the bear, "It's just as it would seem,

That the rain that comes down is just made out of steam."

Now they all were so thirsty, and Mark gave a sigh,

While both Tracy Anne and Fay began softly to cry.

Then they heard mummy saying, "You know what I think,

Your so hot and thirsty, you all need a drink."

"We've been to Dry-Land mummy," she answered, "That's clever."

"Yes, and now we don't mind if it rains on forever."

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