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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER



Peace On Earth Goodwill Toward Men



At this time of the year I should like to take the opportunity to extend best wishes for the holiday season to all personnel and their dependents at RCAF Station Winnipeg.

The past year has once again seen many notable achievements on the part of our station. Winnipeg continues to be the hub of the RCAF and we are continually playing host to a large number of important visitors. Our station is one of the show places in the RCAF and I am particularly proud of the manner in which all of our service and civilian personnel have carried out their tasks. Your full support during the forthcoming New Year will ensure that the same high standard of efficiency is maintained by our station.

To each and everyone of you I wish a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

GROUP CAPTAIN J. F. MITCHELL, DFC, AFC, CD,
Commanding Officer.



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EDITORIAL CORNER

"Home For Christmas"

Home for Christmas! A magical phrase, a phrase which to all of us bears a different, yet similar meaning.

To a Mother and Father with children grown up and gone from the fold, "Home For Christmas" means a fleeting, poignant, and tender re-union—a step back into those pages of time when the children were young, and the family was sharing together the wonder and joy of each Christmas, bathed in the glow and love of the season.

To those fortunate ones who can make the long awaited trip home, there is a stirring in the breast which can only be felt, but never described. The tearful, yet joyous tingle of excitement as "home" comes into view, and the surge of happiness when loved ones throw open their arms to welcome the wanderer "Home For Christmas".

To tiny souls, basking in the tenderness and warmth of the family circle, home IS Christmas—a magic world of sparkling ornaments, the fragrant tree, the excitement of new toys, the Christmas feast, and the delicious exhaustion at the end of this day of days.

To Mary and Joseph, nineteen hundred and sixty-one years ago, home was a stable in Bethlehem, and "Christmas" was the divine gift of the tiny Christ child. On that day, they, and we, received the greatest gift of all time—a Saviour! Let us hope that all of us, in this festive season, will invite Him "Home For Christmas".

W. G.

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To Our Readers and Advertisers

from

THE STAFF OF VOXAIR

A MESSAGE FROM THE AIR OFFICER COMMANDING



With the coming of the festive season I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to all Training Command personnel who through their unceasing effort have made the past year such a success. It is only through your constant support that Training Command has been able to achieve this success and I feel confident that the challenges and problems of the coming year will be met with the same determination as in the past.

To all personnel of Training Command I would like to extend my warmest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous happy New Year.

AIR VICE MARSHAL H. M. CARSCALLEN, DFC, CD, Air Officer Commanding Training Command Headquarters.

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It is a pleasure to have this opportunity to extend my warmest Season's Greetings to the staff and students of the Central Navigation School and their families. I also wish to express my sincere appreciation to the other members of Station Winnipeg who have supported the activities of our school so admirably during the past year.

We can be justifiably proud of our achievements and progress during 1961. The success that CNS has enjoyed this year is the result of your hard work and whole hearted co-operation. I am indeed proud of your effort in maintaining the high professional standard for which our school is noted. With the same devotion to duty, we can look forward to 1962 with confidence that whatever the New Year holds for us we will add further accomplishments and laurels to our enviable record.

To each and everyone of you I wish a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with health and happiness.

W/C K. R. GREENAWAY, CD,
Officer Commanding, Central Navigation School.



My sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the staff and students of the Air Navigation School.

1961 has been a year of great activity at ANS, and I know that we have been successful in meeting the challenge of our complex role. Throughout the coming year, I am certain that with continuing diligence, and with the excellent spirit of co-operation and enthusiasm which you have shown in the past, we will continue to fulfill our task in a competent and rewarding manner.

I hope that your Christmas will be both happy and festive, and that the New Year will bring each of you a full measure of fulfillment and success.

W/C R. C. BAYLISS,
Officer Commanding, Air Navigation School.

I wish to extend my sincere wishes for a Happy Holiday season to the staff of 111 Composite Unit and their families. The past year has been one of achievement and progress at the unit, and I am certain that in the coming months your excellent support and co-operation will continue to make "111" one of the leading units in the RCAF.

Once again, a joyous Christmas, and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to you all.

S/L H. GALEN,
Officer Commanding, 111 Composite Unit.



1961 has been a hectic, interesting, and rewarding year for the staff of Voxair. Problems created by staff transfers and the change-over from a monthly to a weekly format have often been complex and difficult to solve; however, with the support of our readers and the Station administration, we have been able to fulfill our role as "The Voice of the Air Force" in the Winnipeg area.

In 1962, Voxair will continue its pledge to contribute as much as possible to the life of the Station. We hope that through improved organization, and even more dedicated effort on the part of our staff, we will be able to give our readers an accurate, thoughtful, and informative commentary on events, and ideas which affect Station Winnipeg and the Service as a whole.

On behalf of the staff of Voxair, I extend to our readers and our advertisers sincere wishes for a blessed and Merry Christmas, and a successful and prosperous New Year.

FLIGHT LIEUTENANT W. A. GRYBA,
Editor.

"CALL 308"

by "WAG"

Well — it's almost here, isn't it? What a hectic time we've all had—and no doubt at times we've wondered if it was all worth the extra effort of shopping, jostling through the crowds, hunting desperately for exactly the right gift, etc. etc. etc. . . .

Speaking of shopping for Christmas, we hear that there's a new supermarket being established in Winnipeg. It will operate only in the winter months, and will specialize in unfrozen foods. (So it's better than no joke at all!)

The other day, we found a mysterious white envelope on our desk, addressed to us in an obviously feminine hand. Inside were several slips of paper clipped from a magazine. Each slip had a wee funny printed on it. We appreciate the jokes — and wish we knew where they came from! Thank you ANONYMOUS!

ANONYMOUS SAYS: "Some men's idea of financial security is getting a lifetime job for their wife!" (Hear that Honey?)

We were talking to some of the Curling Club executive the other night, and they mentioned that there are still quite a few curlers who have not paid their dues for the season. We ask that all those who have not paid up yet do so very soon. C'mon you guys — can't run the club properly if there's no money — so pay the man, and away you go.

Our condolences to those personnel who have to work this Christmas — we truly sympathize with you — but perhaps you will have better luck at New Year's. In any case, the gratitude of many people is with you over the Holiday season.

OH FOO SAY: "Driver who keep eye on road never see pretty girl — driver who see pretty girl never see end of road."

Then there was the Texan who paid for a Cadillac with a \$10,000.00 bill and drawled: "Give me the change in Volkswagens."

So-long for another year. It's been fun visiting with you over the past weeks. We have met many very fine people through our association with Voxair and Station Winnipeg as a whole. Until next year, so-long, Happy New Year, and may each of you find success and happiness wherever you go. God Bless you all.

AIR FORCE AFIELD

By HOPP

This Christmas many parents will be giving their boy his first rifle. This will be the most significant thing that has happened to him since his first day at school. The parents feel that their boy is old enough to accept the very serious responsibility of carrying a firearm, and in the majority of cases their judgment is correct. But parents must assume a certain responsibility themselves if they do not want their son to come to grief.

It is up to the parents to ensure that their youngster receives the training necessary to handle a gun safely, and that his attitude towards wildlife conservation, fair play and rights of others is sound. This is no small task, and some fathers are not capable of properly training their youngster as they have not had the training themselves. Their personal shooting habits and attitude are too poor to pass on.

Fortunately rod and gun clubs realize the problem and take an active interest in junior shooting, for which they should be complimented. They are teaching youngsters the proper shooting habits and attitudes that their fathers may not practice. However, these clubs are too few and the conscientious parent must still remain the main source of knowledge.

A father should attempt to instill in his son the spirit of sportsmanship. A sportsman is defined as an individual who believes in fair play, and who plays the game according to the rules and the best of his ability. Example of the father is the best teacher. A true sportsman always has the respect of his fellow hunters.

The responsibilities of carrying a deadly weapon must be explained. These responsibilities not only concern the safety of the youngster himself, but the safety of his companions and anyone else who may be in the area where he is shooting. The boy must be taught to respect the game regulations and bag limit, recognize what is legal game, have consideration for the land owners' rights, and to leave the area he has hunted in the same condition, if not better, than when he found it.

A few hours of instruction now will reach eager, receptive ears and more than repay for itself by peace of mind for the parents and many years of safe shooting for the youngster.

Nine commandments of safety form the heart of proper gun handling and should be known and understood by every young shooter.

- (1) Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
- (2) Watch that muzzle! Keep the safety on until ready to shoot.
- (3) Unload guns when not in use. Take down or have action open; carry guns in cases to shooting area.
- (4) Be sure barrel is clear of obstructions, also that your ammunition is the proper size for the gun you are carrying.
- (5) Be positive of the target before you pull the trigger.
- (6) Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot and avoid all horseplay.
- (7) Never climb a tree or fence, or jump a ditch with a loaded gun, and never pull a gun towards you by the muzzle.
- (8) Never shoot a bullet at a flat hard surface or water. At target practice be sure your backstop is adequate.
- (9) Store guns and ammunition separately beyond the reach of children.

On Christmas Day when your boy's eyes shine with great anticipation as he fondles his new, .22 or .410, don't forget the rest of the gift that goes with it. This is the teaching of the wisdom of safety and fair play learned through years of experience by you.

Forgotten Fundamentals: The moose hunter lost for several days near the Bird River has only himself to blame for the dilemma he got into. Two items which no hunter should be without, are a compass and watches in a waterproof container. This individual had neither but will be much wiser next time.

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- 9—Mila 18—Uris
- 10—The Judas Tree—Cronin
- 12—The White Rajah—Monsarrat
- 13—The Edge of Sadness—O'Connor

Other books of interest include:—
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Since then, the decoration of evergreen trees at Yuletide has spread to many lands. Prince Albert, soon after his marriage to Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas tree to England. Immigrants brought the custom with them to this side of the Atlantic.

Today in Canadian homes, the glittering, brightly-trimmed tree is a happy symbol of the warmth and beauty of Christmas.

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MUTTERINGS FROM MAWDESLEY HALL

by WR2M

Electronics Air section extends a welcome to F/L Jim McCormick, F/L Mark Brooks, F/O Ron Tetarenko and F/O Dick Martell, who recently completed the SORI course and are now officially transferred to ANS. Mark, Jim, and Ron were previously with 405 Sqn. while Dick hails from 408 Detachment at Goose Bay. Welcome to the

fold lads; the section isn't really as confused as it looks. As for the regular bods of Electronics Air, Dick Evans claims that he is still over-worked while Bob McPhail is still overweight. Bob recently joined the 17 Auxiliary Wing pipe band and we understand that the bandmaster shocked the station tailor by requisitioning ten yards of kilt material. (Actually we exaggerated; it was only six yards.)

The Electronics section once again dipped into their coffee fund profits and held a mixed party in the Bamboo room of the officers mess last Saturday night. As usual, the party was a tremendous success. Since this type of get-together is reminiscent of squadron days, other sections of ANS might be interested in following suit.

F/L Vic Eldridge is presently double banking with F/L Frank Bailey as ANS Adj. Vic will be taking over as the new Adj. in the new year. We don't know whether this should be considered a promotion or demotion but congratulations anyway, Vic, we know that you'll do a fine job.

Last week a team from CFS Saskatoon made their semi-annual visit to OT section of ANS. The visit lasted two days during which time personnel involved discussed

standardization, the present OT syllabus, and the possibility of investigating a new syllabus. Comments indicated that the team was quite satisfied with the overall organization and effectiveness of the OT section, and OT personnel can now breathe easily for another six months.

The officers of Nav. Ground held a stag on Tuesday night for F/L Tom Gingrich who finally got married on Wednesday, 13 Dec. Congratulations to both of you Tom, and welcome to the ranks of the brown-baggers.

Finally, we wish to extend hearty congratulations to navs and RO's of course 6014 who graduated on Friday, 15 Dec. To those of you who feel badly about leaving Mawdesley, remember, you too can become instructors.

P.S. To would be critics—we try to use what talents we possess; The woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best.

100 Blood Bottles Keep Pair Alive

(From Winnipeg Tribune, Oct. 5, 1961)

"Eleven-year old Ross Weiss didn't go to the dentist to have six teeth pulled last September, because no dentist alone could safely do the job.

He had it done at Children's Hospital and, when the extractions were finished, another notation was made in a pile of medical records bearing his name and dating back to 1951.

Then Ross settled down to a steady diet of dilute antihæmophilic plasma globulin—at the rate of several bottles daily—for almost a month.

He is a bleeder, technically known as a hæmophiliac. There are nine others in Manitoba. His brother David, 13, is one of them.

The pair, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Weiss, of 717 Jarvis Ave., are hospitalized because they bleed easily from the slightest injury and their bodies can't stem the flow.

Until research brings a better answer, the life-saver for hæmophiliacs is blood plasma transfusion. The boys have used more than 100 bottles since their admittance to hospital September 1st, and September 19th respectively.

Fortunately, their blood type is not uncommon and the Red Cross transfusion service here was able to have the necessary six to eight bottles of plasma ready daily.

A glance at the pair disclosed nothing unusual about them—two fair-headed boys sporting hospital T-shirts and jeans, enjoying a moment's thrill with cameras whirling around them.

Research across the continent into the bleeder's disease is directed at obtaining material which can be injected by the victim himself to reduce the blood-clotting time.

Children's Hospital is doing its share, in a new laboratory, studying and analyzing coagulation blood. In this lab tests of the clotting level in the Weiss boys have been conducted.

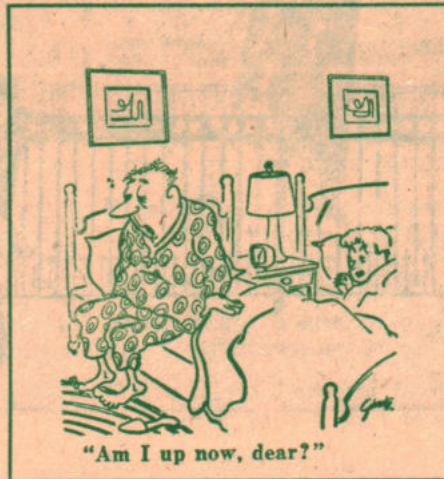
Their blood lacks one vital factor for clotting and this must be built up by transfusions. Since they have been in hospital the factor has reached the necessary level and the boys will soon be released.

But there is still no way to maintain the level indefinitely and, until there is, the boys face repeated stays in hospital with the level being built up again each time."

You can help; attend the Red Cross Blood Donors Clinic being held at Station Winnipeg on the 10th and 11th of January 1962.

Stn. All Ranks Dance 29 Dec. 1961

- (a) Date—Fri. 29 Dec. 1961.
- (b) Time—2100 hrs.
- (c) This dance to replace the normal New Year's Eve all ranks dance, which will not be held this year due to New Years Eve falling on Sun.
- (d) Music—Lew Dickson Orch.
- (e) Admission—\$2.00 per couple, \$1.00 single.



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PROTESTANT CHAPEL NEWS

SUNDAY, 24th December

0930 hrs.—Primary and Junior Congregation Christmas Service—Chapel.

1100 hrs.—Christmas Family Service—Chapel.

—Nursery—Chapel Annex.

—Kindergarten—Lounge, Rec. Hall.

2330 hrs.—Carol Communion Service—Anglican. Communicant members of all churches are invited.

MONDAY, 25th December

0930 hrs.—Holy Communion—Anglican.

1000 hrs.—Christmas Day Family Service.

SUNDAY, 31st December

0930 hrs.—Holy Communion—Anglican.

1100 hrs.—Service of Lessons and Carols with Junior Choir.

—Nursery—Chapel Annex.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Members of the Junior Choir are reminded of the special practices in preparation for the Service of Lessons and Carols on Sunday 31st December at 1100 hours. These special practices will be held Friday, 22nd December at 4:15 p.m. and Wednesday 27th and Friday 29th at 2:00 p.m. On Friday afternoon, 29th December, following the practice, there will be a Christmas party for choir members.

SENIOR CHOIR

The practice for Thursday, 28th December at 2000 hours is Cancelled. Practices will resume in the New Year.

SENIOR TEENS

The Senior Teens will gather at 7.00 p.m. on Saturday, 23 Dec. 1961, to decorate the Chapel for the Christmas Season. Following the decoration of the Chapel the Senior Teens will tour nearby streets singing Carols. The evening will end with refreshments served in the Chapel Annex. The next meeting of the Senior Teens will be at 7.00 p.m., Sunday, 7 Jan. 1962.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation Classes for Anglican Teenagers will be cancelled on 24 and 31 Dec. The next class will take place at 2 p.m., Sunday 7 Jan. 1962.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Sunday, 24 Dec.: The Primary (Grades 1, 2 and 3) will join the Junior Congregation in the Chapel at 0930 hours for their Christmas Service. The Kindergarten (4 and 5 year olds) will meet as usual at 1100 hours in the Rec. Centre Lounge for a Christmas Programme and the Nursery will meet at 1100 hours in the Chapel Annex.

Church School Pupils are reminded to bring the thank-offering boxes to their Christmas Services. The thank-offerings will be used along with those from all Army, Navy and Air Force Church Schools to provide Christian literature for the Cree Indians in the Cree language.

Sunday, 31 Dec.: The Junior Congregation, Primary and Kindergarten will be cancelled. The Nursery will meet as usual in the Chapel Annex at 1100 hours.

The next regular sessions of the Church School will take place on Sunday, 7 Jan. 1962.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPEL NEWS

Rev. F. A. Halle (W/C), Training Command Chaplain (RC).

Rev. J. A. Frederickson (S/L), Stn. Chaplain (RC)—Local 272.

Sunday, 24 December 1961 MASSES

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Sojourn At Smithsonian

By "THE B's"

If by chance you're ever fortunate enough to travel to Washington, D.C., I would heartily suggest that you spend at least a whole day at the famous Smithsonian Institute. I was there last winter and my only regret was that I didn't have more time to view the amazing exhibits on display.

Some of you might say that sure-

ly I could find something a little more exciting to do than visit a dusty old museum, and I must admit that we did take in some of the "brighter entertainments", but you'll certainly do yourself a great injustice if you pass up the Institute.

Being in the flying business, my interest quite naturally turned to the aviation section of the exhibits. Here I found the most eye-opening display of aviation history that I've ever seen.

Standing under the main dome of the building is one of the USA's newest missiles, and suspended from the ceiling right next to it is the most famous historical aircraft of all, Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis". Just to see this wonderfully wacky piece of machinery was enough to make one's head bow in deep reverence for the brave man who flew it single-handedly across the vast Atlantic. It looked exactly like a large-sized version of a model airplane that some 10 year old might glue together by himself. After seeing today's huge jet-liners roaring off on their way to England or some other far-away place, it is a great shock to see such a frail aircraft, and visualize anyone actually trying to fly it anywhere at all.

Included in the rest of the display was the first aircraft to fly supersonic, the Bell X-1 rocket-plane; Wiley Post's "around the world" speedster; one of the ill-famed Japanese Kamikaze flying bombs and countless other items too numerous to mention.

Enclosed in a glass case was the

wax image of the most famous war-time flyer of all, Billy Mitchell. The figure was clothed in the actual flying gear that he wore on his many daring missions. Alongside was his personal dress uniform, emblazoned with the many medals and awards which he so courageously won. To be so close to the effigy of such a great man was surely a great thrill.

Leaving the aviation section, I wandered into the political history rooms, where I met face to face one of the greatest men of all times, the mighty Abraham Lincoln. It was really an amazing life-like image of him in wax. He was a great tall man, towering well over 6 feet and the statue was certainly very impressive. It was dressed in the actual clothing that Lincoln wore the day he was assassinated. On a stool nearby was his famous "beaver-board" hat, almost two feet high itself.

In the adjoining section of the building was a series of glass enclosed show-cases, called the First Ladies' Room. Here stood the wax images of the wives of all the past presidents, dressed in the actual inaugural gowns that they wore when their husbands became the nation's chief executive. One note of warning here is — don't let your wife wander into this section or you'll never get her to leave. It is quite a dazzling display, and your "First Lady" will certainly enjoy seeing it.

In another 'room' of the Smithsonian, there are several huge locomotives — the 'grand-daddies' of last decades 'steamers'. These great machines occupy just a small corner of the room, so the vast size of the building can be easily visualized. Also in this display is almost every variety of automotive transportation ever built, right from the old "surrey - with - the - fringe - on-top", to the armoured war-wagons of Chicago's "Roaring 20's" mobsters.

I could go on and on describing all the fascinating articles and displays to be seen at Washington's Smithsonian Institute, but unfortunately I missed a good deal of the exhibit due to a lack of time. I can only re-submit my previous suggestions that you do visit this truly outstanding collection of history. Of course, save a little time to hit some of the "brighter spots" also, as some of them are quite outstanding in their own way.

KADET KORNER

Today the students of ANS will be leaving Winnipeg to spend the Christmas season at home. Voxair wishes them a safe and happy holiday. To the students who will remain on station, both RCAF and NATO students, we hope their stay is an enjoyable one. Dining privileges will be available at the officers mess with regular facilities at the cadets mess.

The Flight Cadets wish to express their appreciation to the ground crew who worked overtime to maintain aircraft which provided Saturday flights enabling the students to enjoy two extra days at home during the festive season.

"KINROSS BEAR TRAP"

By VIC ELDRIDGE

To the men of the "future Airforce" who are at present completing their training at Station Winnipeg, the year 1953 would probably bring back memories of grade school. However, to the "old sweats" it is but yesterday.

In those hectic days the RCAF did not have sufficient aircraft to place on a permanent Search and Rescue establishment. When an emergency occurred, it was necessary to call into action aircraft of the Air Radio Officers School, which were then based at RCAF Station Clinton and Centralia.

The Senior Radio Officer Flight Cadet Courses were called out on two hours notice to take part in many of the air searches in Eastern Canada and along the northern border of United States. It was 1953 and the crews of Radio Officer School had just completed a gruelling two weeks search from the "forward base" at USAF Kinross Michigan. The crews were given a day of rest before returning to their home base. It was then that the fun began.

"RCAF Station Kinross!" claimed Major Fogo, stepping onto the wing of his P51 Mustang. "Some joke, ha ha!" But the grin turned to a frown as he surveyed the stern face of AROS Pilot F/O Jack Bailey with his "45" strapped to his hip. In addition the aircraft was surrounded by RCAF airmen.

"What happened? Where is Col. Milner, the base CO," the beribboned American war ace said as he squinted down the tarmac. He was greeted by the sight of a vari-

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GOD AND CHRISTMAS

PADRE PHIL ROSS, Protestant Chaplain

Recently an American clergyman suggested that the Christian Church abandon the celebration of Christmas on the 25th of December—abandon the day to the merchants and the party-goers and the pagans of the twentieth century.

Others talk about 'Putting Christ back in Christmas,' or 'Keeping Christ in Christmas.'

Both points of view miss the tremendous, the inescapable, the sublime fact. God has given us Christmas—the Christ—Mass. It is God who has acted in history. It is God who has come in human form to our town. It is God who has declared His love for you and for me in Jesus Christ.

This is all God's doing. And this is the ground of our true Christmas joy, and hope, and peace.

In the name of the Christ, Merry Christmas to you and yours from your Chaplains and Chapel Committee.

God give you blessings at Christmas time, Stars for your darkness, sun for your day, Light on the path as you search for the Way, And a mountain to climb.

God grant you courage this coming year, Fruit for your striving, friends as you roam, Joy in your labor, love in your home, And a summit to clear.

(Scovel, Canadian poet)



CHRIST AND CHRISTMAS

By S/L J. A. FREDRICKSON, R.C. Chaplain

The other day I was reading an editorial on Christmas in a weekly publication well known to readers of Voxair, and I was astounded to find that there was not a single reference in it to Christ. Talk about playing Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark!!! And yet I suppose this is not as surprising as

it should be, since the great feast of the birth of Christ has now become completely paganized, if it were not for the feeble efforts of our Christian churches.

Let's be honest and admit that this is the greatest day in the history of the world. All historical events are dated either B.C. (be-

fore Christ) or A.D. (Anno Domini . . . the year of our Lord). So how come that Christ is relegated to a rather minor role? The clergy may refer to the birth of Christ, the Son of God, in their sermons, but in the mind of many of our so-called Christians this is merely a pious little story to be told children once a year along with "Little Red Riding Hood," "Jack in the Beanstalk" and "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."

How come that the Christ-Child, who is a real person, has disappeared into the background and his place has been taken by a rotund old fellow in a red suit whom even his most enthusiastic admirers admit is a purely imaginary character?

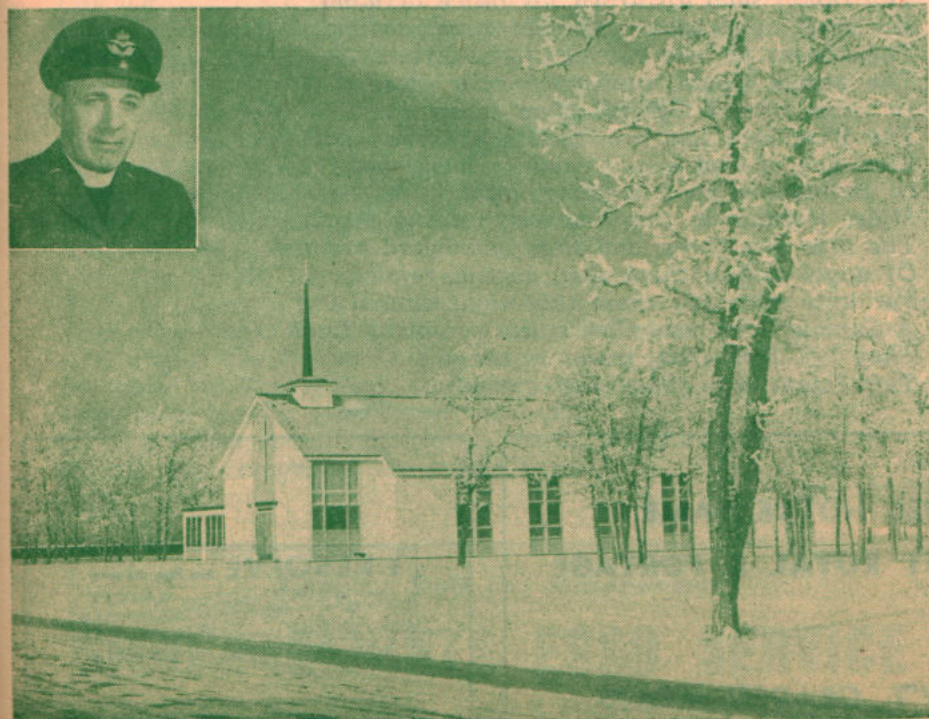
Those of us who have been to Europe know that children of many countries receive their gifts either from the Christ-Child Himself or from his emissary Saint Nicholas, bishop of Myra. Even in America Santa Claus was unknown years ago. The famous Yuletide poem "The Night Before Christmas" never mentions the nocturnal visitor by a name which has been drummed into our supine minds by department stores and other commercial enterprises. He is referred to in the famous poem either as St. Nicholas or more familiarly as "St. Nick." However, the Christian tradition was already dying even then, and now it has almost died.

A campaign was started a few years ago to put "Christ back into Christmas". And yet those who

subscribe to this campaign are in the same position as the little Dutch boy who tried to hold back the ocean by putting his finger in the hole in the dike. Maybe we'll succeed, but if we do, we have to struggle against a veritable torrent or flood of publicity which threatens to sweep us all away into a sea of paganism, where the name of Christ is only used as an expletive to punctuate one's conversation or to drive home one's point.

After all there are billions of dollars wrapped up in the plump old fellow's name. Think of how much financial loss the toy departments would suffer if the jolly old character driving the reindeer (or the six white "boomers") were to become the "forgotten man" instead. Isn't it much more profitable to give Christ the "cold shoulder"? After all, in 2000 years the name of Christ hasn't filled the pockets of too many of his real followers, whereas the bluff old boy in the red suit has enriched many of his devotees. If you don't believe me, take a trip down Portage Avenue, or along the principal shopping street of any of our large Canadian cities.

Let our children believe in Santa Claus if we choose, until some precocious companion disillusion them. But please, please, don't leave Christ out in the cold! Didn't a few others do that in Bethlehem the night He was born? Let's put "Christ back into Christmas" once more. And let's keep Him there at least for one day in the year!!!



On The Nativity

A World stood stark still, staring at cold light,
 Shed down upon her on a frosty night,
 Designed to clothe her vitals in a sheath
 Of frigid cold. She stood akin to Death.
 The fires of man, in vain attempt to keep
 Out cold, which into clefts did seep,
 To chill the bones of rich and poor alike,
 As water pouring thru' a puny dike.
 The smoke from chimneys towers to the sky,
 As tho' like wispy weapons they must try
 To fend away the frost 'ere it should gain
 Its deathly cover o'er the earth's domain.
 The breath of creatures caught in street and field,
 Formed frosty vapour, and their blood congealed,
 As frigid fingers penetrated life
 Of those who, reckless, sought to offer strife
 To their advance. Insidious is the power
 Of this attack, to which all men must cower,
 As e'en must Nature, and her greening race,
 Which cannot move from their appointed place.
 The erstwhile leafy standards stook stark bare
 Of verdant cover which they, wont to wear,
 Had shed, in keeping with the cyclic pair.
 They died, and yet were born, in lapse of year
 And they held neither Birth nor Death in fear.
 A star stood forth from all the rest in view,
 A gleaming light of far more brilliant hue,
 And circled round it clear, and ever close,
 Was incandescence bright, unseen by host
 Of men before. It was a promise true,
 Of Infant Pure, whose birth made known to
 A harried world that God had kept His word,
 And sent His Son to join the human herd.
 In manger lowly He has ta'en his place,
 Because there was no room amidst the race.
 Affairs of men had jammed the streets of town
 With men from far off places of renown.
 The tax collectors of a mighty king
 Were there, their cursed misery to bring
 Upon the heads of subjects who, with care,
 Were present. They their dues did meekly bear,
 To forestall fear of ruthless monarch who,
 Despite the woe of many, gained for few,
 A wealth of comforts of the known world,
 In standards of rare spices and of gold.
 A Virgin Pure had born this child this night,
 Who came to earth amidst Celestial Light,
 To free the world of weaknesses of man,
 In keeping with the Father's holy plan.
 Now Monarch Herod, who had heard from spies,
 That from a Virgin Mother, Good would rise,
 Sought for this Babe with every devious skill,
 Determined thus, Emmanuel to kill.
 The Wise Men three appeared before the king,
 And sought of him to what place they should bring
 Their gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh,
 Fit tribute for the Son of God, which were
 The wealth of man, and gifts to take their place
 In honour to the Saviour of the race.
 And Herod sought of them to quickly find
 The Infant who disturbed his peace of mind
 His cruel oppression could not stand against
 The advent of true Justice of the Saints.
 The people would, in time forever more
 In spirit true, a rightful King adore.
 The Wise Men told him that it had been said,
 That Son of God would come to lowly bed,
 In Bethlehem upon a bitter night,
 Midst Heralds in the Heavens, passing bright.
 The Star was there, and they had heard a voice
 Of angel telling them they should rejoice,
 For unto man had come this night adored
 A Saviour who was Christ, the promised Lord.
 They left Jerusalem, intent to see
 This Infant who forestalled eternity,

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A CHRISTMAS YARN

"and the stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there."

The words of Clement Clark Moore's immortal Christmas poem beautifully describe a custom Canadian children have followed for 300 years.

How did it all start? A doubtful legend ascribes it to a happy accident. One Christmas Eve, in the 4th century, the Bishop of Myra, a kindly churchman who came to be known as Santa Claus, stopped at the home of a poor merchant.

The merchant had two lovely daughters of marrying age, but the girls had never been asked to wed

because their father couldn't afford dowries.

Taking pity on the family, the Bishop had decided to give them a Christmas gift—a bag of gold!

Climbing up to the roof of the merchant's house to avoid being seen, the Bishop of Myra dropped the bag of gold down the chimney and quite by accident, it fell into a stocking that had been hung on the mantle to dry.

If this was the first Christmas stocking, it was a patchwork affair of woolen shreds. The people of the day had little knowledge of the weaving and sewing arts. Most articles of clothing were merely

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And midst the cold from Heaven far above,
 They wended way on mission true of love.
 At last they came to Bethlehem whose inns
 Were crowded to capacity with men,
 And mingling with the crowd were some of those
 Who sought to do foul murder, and who chose
 To follow tyrant, and increase the strife
 In world which sought the coming of a life,
 Which would provide to them a Holy Word
 Of end to sin; forgiveness for the herd
 Of men who had in evil well begun
 And now looked upwards to the God whose Son
 Would come to them, and cleanse them from their crimes
 For past, for present, and for future times.
 The Wise Men searched the town and late located
 The Virgin Mother who had been befated,
 To bear the Holy Child who gave a voice
 To all man's joys, and loudly claimed Rejoice,
 To true salvation for a world of men
 Made foul by stain of bitter worldly sin.
 In stall He lay: in manger of the kine,
 And o'er Him plain was Heaven's brilliant sign,
 That here, in flesh, lay Son of God in bands
 Of swaddling cloth, 'neath Holy Mother's hands.
 These mighty Wise Men, these all-knowing seers
 Fell to their knees in manner of the peers,
 Who pay their homage to a ruling king,
 And to this ruler many tributes bring.
 They recognized the Heavenly Child and knelt
 Before the manger and suppliant bent
 Their heads, in Presence of the Son of God,
 Who to the world was given thus, begot
 By Holy Ghost in womb of Virgin pure
 To live upon the earth, and to endure
 The doubts of men, and suffer deathly pain
 'Ere He, at Mighty End, would come again.
 The Wise Men sank in adoration blind,
 Of Him who'd been so viciously maligned
 By Herod, mighty ruler, monarch cruel
 Whose subjects bowed beneath oppressive rule.
 Incarnate, by them, lay a Deity
 A Word fulfilled: a world which He must free
 And by His coming, wash away the sins
 Which brought all men in suffering, to the inns.
 From mouths, the gall and wormwood He must cleanse
 Without man's thanks, or any recompense,
 Save that of knowing man would be thus freed
 Of pomp and vanity and even greed.
 A life, so pure, was given thus to man
 For God so loved the flock beneath His hand
 That sacrifice of Son was not too great
 If doing so, their sins be expiate.
 He came to man, in unpretentious guise,
 This Child of God, this Infant wholly wise
 Lest man destroy himself in worldly sin,
 Which Adam, in his weakness, did begin,
 This Scion of the God, this Word of Holy Life
 Came down to combat sin and death and strife
 That purer He would leave the world of man
 And by the Father take eternal stand.
 The night was cold, bespeaking ill to come,
 Of wars, and death, and all the mighty sum
 Of crimes 'gainst Justice, and neglect of God,
 In man's foul workings of the earthly sod.
 Was this in vain: was this His birth but dust,
 To disappear in world of mortal lust.
 Can we forget the sacrifice of One
 Who gave His Child, His only earthly Son
 That Satan and his host of wickedness,
 Might be consigned to world of murkiness.
 This Child, whose life was spent in Mortal toil
 Did live, and suffer death upon the soil
 Of earth, inhabited by race of man
 Whom God, in likeness, did create and span
 Around the world: a gift of His creation
 And banded into many diverse nations.
 Yet Man is His; bar colour, race and creed,
 And on the cross His Son did meekly bleed
 That they might yet be freed of countless sins
 And might, the Heavenly Kingdom rightly win.
 So came the Son of God, on bitter night
 Betokened but by presence of the Light
 Of God which round Him purely shone, adored
 By all who recognized the Infant Lord.

—C. WHITE

RCAF MEN PLAY SANTA



RCAF MEN PLAY SANTA.—Indian children of the Saulteaux band at Little Grand Rapids receive Christmas gifts from Corporal Peter Kendrick who distributes presents from the Ladies' Guild of the Roman Catholic Church at RCAF Gimli, and from R.C. children of RCAF families at the station. Accompanying the children are their school teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lafreniere. Two Otter aircraft flew the gifts to the settlement 200 miles northeast of Winnipeg yesterday. For the past six years, both the R.C. and Protestant churches at Gimli, and station personnel have provided the gifts for the annual "Santa flights." Aircraft used are piloted by personnel of 111 Composite Unit at RCAF Winnipeg.

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- Give a fellow a lift when his load is heavy?
- Give him a smile when he is down in the mouth?
- Give him a hand when his friendships are thin and he seems to stand alone?
- Give him a boost when he is doing his best and the odds are against him?
- Give him a friendly word of advice when he is erring, or running with the wrong crowd?
- Give him a chance to make good when his efforts at success have gone wrong?
- Give him the feeling that you are his friend in all weathers?
- Give yourself the wonderful peace of mind that comes from doing unto others as you would have them do unto you?

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HOCKEY

The newly formed Station Hockey Team after completing their first sessions of practice have played their first exhibition game of the season. The Royal Canadian Horse Artillery supplied the opposition for the belated opener and the Air Force hockeyists trod on to a one sided 9-0 decision over their army counterparts.

Wally Jones, with three goals and three assists was the top marksman of the day. Don Oliver and Keith Robertson tallied two each and singles were scored by Tanner and Don Maki. Spike Martin recorded a shutout with heads up goal tending although he was not pressed too steadily by the weak Army attack.

A return engagement will have been played between these two teams by the time this edition is out and whether or not the first encounter was an indication or not of the team's abilities may be a little better known by then. The local club was handled by the team president, F/L Pett who is still

seeking a coach to take reins over the team and is inviting anyone interested to give him a call at local 335. Personnel to officiate as referees are also needed and the Rec Centre plan to hold in the near future a referee's clinic for the ones who show interest.

The latest word on the Inter-Section Hockey League is that the proposed opener is hoped to be held on the 2nd of Jan. at SPM at the new outdoor rink. After many a delay, we think hockey is finally just about under way.

SENIOR B BASKETBALL

Two games only were played at the Rec Centre last week in Winnipeg's Senior B Basketball action with one game postponed, defaulted or something or other. Last week's opener between St. Andrews and Selkirk was not played and as mentioned, it is not known if it's a default, postponement or which of the two teams are guilty, if any. How's that for keeping the readers up to date?

In the early contest of the Dec. 14 schedule, the RCAF picked up their third consecutive lop-sided victory with a 77-55 victory over the fast falling Winnipeg City Police Athletic Association club. Arnie Cheshire and Terry Doyle netted 18 points each and Pete Devana scored 17 to spark the airmen who have now taken the middle spot in the seven team standings. Joe Pura, for the losers, accounted for 21 of his team's total score.

In the second contest of the evening, the YMCA continued to barrel toward the league leaders with another win, this time 59 to 46 over the basketballers from St. Vital. Dryborough, once again, was the YMCA's top point getter of

the night with 28 points hooped through the baskets.

The RCAF club, we understand, have scored 224 points in their last three games, which has broken a six year record in the City League for a three game high. Now that the air force club are rolling, we certainly hope they don't get cold over the Xmas and New Year's layoff coming up.

Standings to date not including any decision between St. Andrews and Selkirk are as follows:

	W	L	Pts.
St. Andrews	4	0	8
RCMP	4	2	8
YMCA	4	2	8
RCAF	3	3	6
St. Vital	2	3	4
Selkirk	1	4	2
WCPAA	1	5	2

League scoring statistics are incomplete along with the standings but the top five airmen and games played are

	GP	Pts.
P. Devana	6	93
T. Doyle	5	73
Armstrong	6	39
D. Pincock	3	35
A. Cheshire	3	29

INTER-SECTION BOWLING

As of now, the first half of the inter-section bowling schedule has been played off but unfortunately the standing are not complete yet as of this writing. Listed below is the standings as of 1 Dec. with the exception of teams D and B of the Wed. night league who have yet to roll off a postponed session.

Standing after the first nine weeks

TUES.	WED.	THUR.
Pts.	Pts.	Pts.
F --- 29	D --- ?	D --- 53
I --- 48	F --- 42	I --- 51
A --- 46	B --- ?	J --- 47
E --- 38	E --- 31	E --- 42
L --- 37	C --- 23	C --- 42
D --- 30	A --- 4	G --- 35
G --- 28		B --- 28
H --- 27		K --- 25
J --- 24		H --- 20
C --- 23		L --- 19
B --- 20		F --- 9
K --- 8		A --- 7

High Single to date—Walts 332.

High Triple to date—Walts 784.
High Average to date—Wasson 237.

In a matter of a few hours from the time of this writing, five of the city's biggest bowling enthusiasts will, if they can still stand up, be the new holders of the Canadian Bowling Marathon record. Who knows? I bet they may even be the world's record holders seeing that I doubt that any other country (yet) are idiotic enough to try it. Toronto set the new record by going 77 hours and 56 minutes in consecutive bowling and even that is disputed. Winnipeg are 10 hours away from that record. My own impression is that even if Winnipeg do beat it, so what? Some fanatics from another city will, in a very short time go after that record to gain recognition. Sometimes I wonder.

At this time I wish to my many friends and associates, sports fans and participants, and any critics I have, a sincere and Merry Christmas.

NOTICE!

STATION SWIMMING POOL

No swimming lessons will be conducted during the Xmas holiday period until 8 Jan. '62.

- Please note the following:
- 23 Dec.—Regular swimming.
- 24 Dec.—Swimming available 1300 to 1600 hours only.
- 25 Dec. - 26 Dec.—Pool will be closed.
- 27 Dec. - 26 Dec.—Regular swimming 1900 hours to 2100 hours.
- 30 Dec.—Normal Saturday routine.
- 31 Dec.—Pool available 1300 - 1600 hours.

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- 1 Jan.—Closed.
- 2 Jan.—Normal routine will begin.

ATTENTION CURLERS

Several curlers have not yet paid their 1961-1962 dues!

Your Curling Club requests that you make every effort to pay these dues as soon as possible.

CURLING NEWS

By D. E. CARSON

On the 9th and 10th of December, six rinks from our club participated in the City of Winnipeg 16 Club draw. At the end of the first round, all our rinks were still in the running. In the second round, Sgt. Maxwell bowed out to the Navy, F/L Lord won over Sgt. O'Byrne, Cpl. Price over F. S. Lavier and F/O Vaughan over RCAF Gimli.

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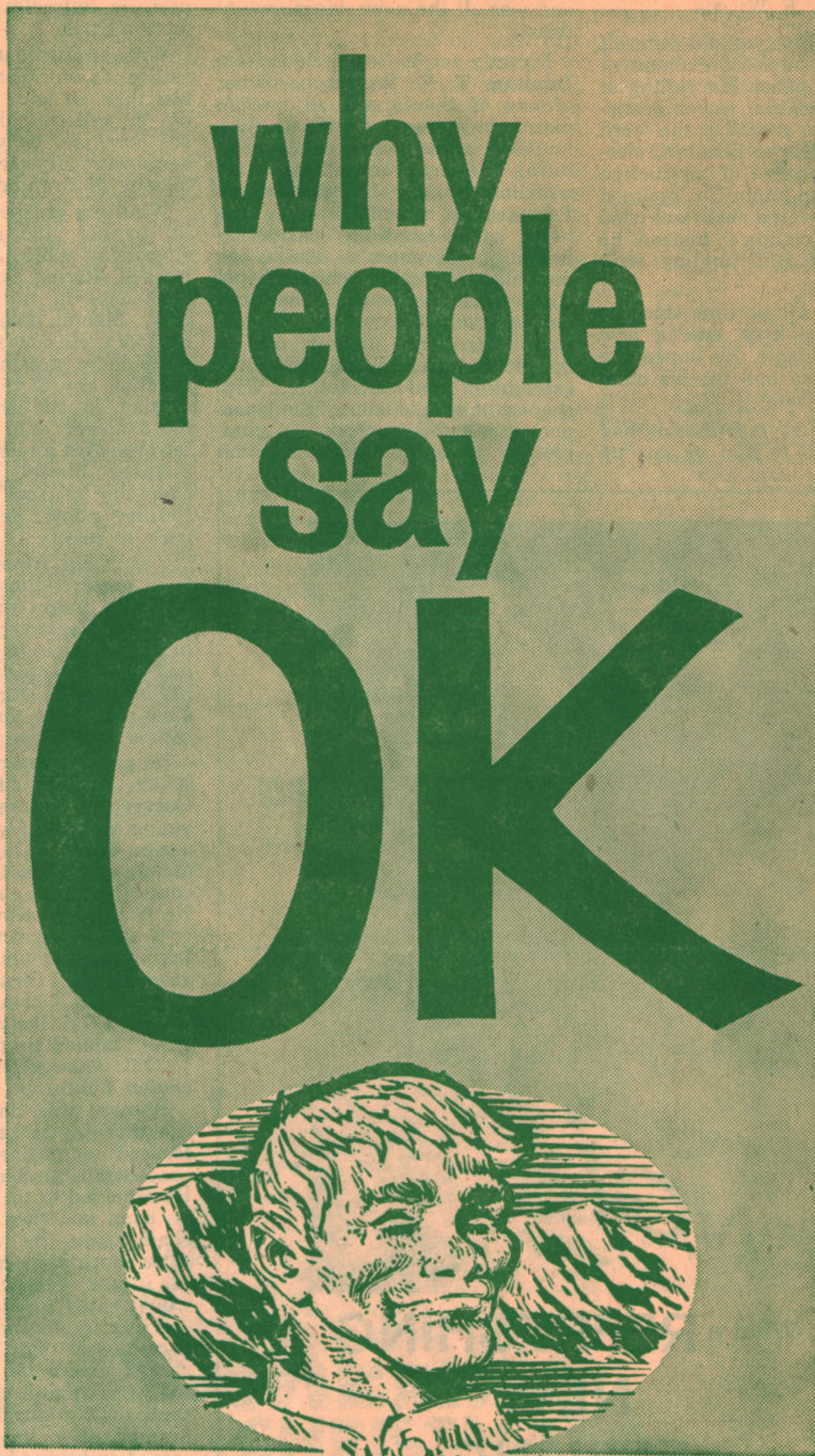
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WHEN A STRANGER COMES TO YOUR DOOR

It never ceases to amaze us when we hear from householders who readily admit they not only let a complete stranger come into their home BUT, in most instances, they also signed a contract to purchase from him, and handed over either cash or a cheque. Never a question at the time, but after a restless night tossing and turning, they call the Bureau early next morning and expect us to authorize them to simply tear up their copy of the contract and think no more about it. This, of course, we cannot do. If people would not bear the following points in mind, at all times, we are certain they would avoid the pitfalls they frequently encounter

- Guard against persons who claim to be federal, provincial or city officials trying to sell merchandise or who claim to be making a survey. Do not let such persons in the house unless you are SURE who they are and they present credentials.
- Call police if the sales-person is rude or discourteous.
- Read all documents BEFORE you sign. Make the sales-person write it on the contract if you are to receive something "free" or if you are to get something special.
- Don't be in a hurry to sign. Be sure written terms are the same as those given orally. What you think is a receipt may be a contract to purchase.
- Be sure you understand what you sign. It will be binding. Don't sign just to get rid of the sales-person.
- Don't accept blindly the story that the sales-person was referred to you by a neighbour or was "just in the neighbourhood".
- Beware of statements that "you are selected" to get something for nothing.
- Don't fall for the story that the firm wants your name or your house for advertising purposes. It may be a dodge to sell you something you don't want at a higher-than-regular price.
- If the sales-person tries to switch you to a higher-priced item other than the item mentioned or advertised originally, it may be a bait-and-switch scheme.
- Insist on knowing the full name and address of the company involved and call the Better Business Bureau for a report. You

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Most people say OK often. But how did the expression start? One theory we've heard is that OK comes from the Finnish expression "Oikea", meaning "correct". However the saying started, OK has now become accepted. Most people today say OK when they're in pleasurable agreement.

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THE ATOM-O-BILE

By A. F. WILSON

He had really worked himself up to a high pitch of excitement in Winthrop's office. Marvelling at how his imagination was still stirred at the mere sound of the word atom-o-bile, George Branton, vice-president in charge of production at the Winthrop Motor Co., reclined in his plush-covered chair and tried to relax. He couldn't. Instead he found himself still tingling with enthusiasm.

It had been a long time since he had become so keen over a new production scheme. He hoped the atom-o-bile idea had hit his chief with an equal bang.

How proud he felt that it had been suggested to him by an "up

and coming scientific engineer" to whom he had become in a relatively short time exceedingly attached and was all the more eager now to assist.

Directly across the corridor from Branton, T. F. Winthrop, owner of one of the largest automobile plants in eastern Canada was hunched in his swivel chair meditating. Diverse sensations were whirling through his shrewd mind. Perhaps, he mused, Branton was being a bit hasty in considering holding conferences to discuss the possibility of motor vehicles being run by atomic power. The difficulties involved would be new and complicated. No longer was it merely a question of designing, assembling and marketing. With the use of atomic energy the transportation industry would be completely revolutionized and that

time was inevitably coming and indeed might not be too far distant when the atom could be made to perform miracles for the automotive trade.

With amusement he recalled his assistant's enthusiastic outburst of less than an hour before. It's funny, he reflected, how some ideas are born and he wished his engineers were all as keen and forward looking as Branton's young friend.

Winthrop crushed his cigarette—lit another, and returned to the engrossing subject. Already he felt himself sharing Branton's zeal and confidence in the "car of tomorrow". Mental images played upon his fancy. He conceived of an atom-o-bile more streamlined and graceful than any of the car models on display in his showrooms; with more power and endurance than jet-propelled aircraft. But when he pictured himself hedge-hopping over the spacious gardens of his country estate, he jerked himself back to reality.

Yes, "The Atom-o-Bile" should be a good "selling" name, if and when he might manufacture one. Winthrop again chuckled at the ludicrous origin of this word which had given Branton the stimulus for his new production plan. Better have a talk, he thought, with this genius he had heard so much about.

He pressed Branton's button and spoke in the "teletalk": "Say, George, maybe we can entice this young wizard of yours to give us some hints on how to construct atom-o-biles. You'll have to let me confer with him sometime soon." He laughed good naturedly.

"I can do that today, Tom. I'm taking him around the plant this afternoon and then we're going out to dinner. I'll bring him in before we leave. I'd like you to meet him, Tom," replied Branton.

"O.K. George, that's fine," concluded Winthrop.

Branton was finding it difficult this morning to keep his attention focused on routine matters and to concentrate on his normal duties. He attended to the urgent business on hand and then sat back in his chair again. He would devote a little more time and reflection to the future — especially to him who would enjoy its blessings.

Presently his thoughts wandered back to last night's party at Margaret's where he had first heard the word atom-o-bile. He smiled to think how naturally and without premeditation the word had been coined and what hidden potentialities it had immediately opened up for him.

Then a sudden flash of doubt struck him. His smile vanished. He gazed abstractedly — perplexed. Could it be possible, he asked himself, that his gift hadn't been favourably received? He tried to retrace the events of the previous evening, but the only vivid recollection was that he had had a

wonderful time. No, he reasoned, it was absurd to think his gift hadn't been well liked. It must be his imagination.

He let it go at that and went out to lunch whistling.

At 2.20 Branton put away the last file on his desk. Five minutes later his secretary buzzed him. "Your daughter is here, Mr. Branton," in her usual business-like tone.

"Please show her right in. I've been expecting her," Branton answered.

After quickly smoothing back his thick white hair, he rose smartly from behind his desk. His heart and blood, referred to respectively by his personnel as a motor generator and hydraulic fluid, increased their count.

Margaret entered holding little Jimmie by the hand. On seeing his grandfather he ran over and was instantly picked up and fondly embraced.

"Hello, young fella, I sure enjoyed your birthday party last night," he said proudly — then enthusiastically to his daughter, "Gosh, Marg, he's big and heavy for only four."

"Well, he's all yours now, dad." Margaret was pleased. "Have a good time you two. And Jimmie, don't forget to tell grandpa how you ran over the cat's tail this morning. Good bye for now."

"All right, mommie, 'bye" and he wriggled a little in order to kiss her.

When Jimmie's mother had closed the door, Branton exclaimed to his grandson, "We've got a big afternoon ahead of us, son. First of all, let's go down and see the men building automobiles," and he carried him out of the office.

On the way down in the elevator to the assembly lines, Branton whispered in his grandson's ear, "So you had a good time with your automobile this morning, eh! fella?"

Tears filled the child's eyes. Hesitatingly he replied, "I wanted a puppy ... for my birthday, grandpa ... not ... a ... a ... automobile."

PRIME MINISTER, CBC PRESIDENT EXTEND GREETINGS

Christmas messages by Prime Minister John Diefenbaker and CBC President Alphonse Ouimet will be carried Dec. 25 on CBC television and Trans-Canada and Dominion radio networks.

Mr. Diefenbaker's message will be carried on the three networks at approximately 10:07 a.m. EST, immediately following the Commonwealth Christmas Message from the Queen.

Repeat broadcast of Mr. Diefenbaker's message is scheduled on the Dominion network at approximately 8:07 p.m. EST, following a repeat of the Queen's message. On the Trans-Canada network, it will be heard at approximately 10:17 p.m. EST, following the repeat of the Queen's message.

Mr. Ouimet's message will be heard on the CBC-TV network following the 12:45 p.m. EST edition of CBC News, and on the Trans-Canada and Dominion radio networks following the 1 p.m. EST Regional News and Weather.

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WHAT'S HAPPENED TO OUR MORAL STANDARDS?

BY CLEM ROCK

The stuff we used to be fed as youngsters, and on which some of us thrived, has gone by the boards. We used to be told that it was far more important to play fairly than to win. The ideals, it seems, were different in those far off days. Men and women were respected for their deeds, it being considered in poor taste to brag about winning, or complain about losing. The loser was looked up to, for the way in which he carries himself, just as much as the winner was hailed for having won fairly, and did not try to rub his opponent's face in the dirt. This no longer applies. These ideals have been jettisoned in favour of more modern ideas. It is considered Elizabethan to play fairly in any sport. The modern idea is "To H --- with the other guy, win any way you can". Likewise, it is gaining momentum, and will eventually snowball into a "dog eat dog" kind of world. So called 'principles', religious or otherwise, are becoming obsolete. Once upon a time, a verbal promise was considered binding. Not any longer. If you doubt the truth of this statement, just try buying something, and let the salesman 'promise' to have certain repairs made. Then try to get the 'promised' repairs carried out. You will find that verbal agreements are far from binding, especially with used cars, and what is more, the salesman does not expect that you will believe anything he says. I overheard one sales manager tell one of his staff: "Tell him anything, tell him your mother is dead and you need the money for her funeral, tell him your wife needs an operation, tell him anything, but make that sale!" Is this what we have replaced human decency with? Is this not a rather poor substitute? It is realized that all sales people are not like this, but if they do not become like this, how long can they make a living?

Are we being fair to ourselves? To our children? What have they got to look forward to? A world dominated by lying and double dealing, cheating and bribing, where will it end? It is not hard to guess.

I hesitate to make any mention of the Holy Bible as an answer to most, if not all of these problems, as it appears as if the general public knows only two types of person, Atheists and Religious Fanatics. If you keep your mouth shut about Religion, you are considered an Atheist. If you speak about the Bible, and show any glimmering of the wisdom contained therein, you forthwith are classified as a Religious Fanatic. There is, apparently, no middle ground of genuine interest in the welfare of your fellow man and his ultimate destination, no place or category into which anyone so inclined could fit, without being labelled a Fanatic. Why? As a point of general interest, the first question that comes to mind is, "What's in it for me?" We no longer seem able to practise the earliest of Christian Principles without arousing suspicion, and rightly so, as we have earned the reputation ourselves. It is no longer possible to do anyone a favour

without someone else wondering what you are getting out of it. Or is it? We are becoming so used to measuring everyone else on our own scale that it is natural to expect that "Nobody does nothing for nothing".

It is only natural, too, that we should mix the Bible in our everyday lives, be it the King James Version, the Catholic Version, the Koran, or any other of your choice. Two thousand years ago, Christ was crucified by the priests and people of Jerusalem, in punishment for fictitious crimes. Yet these same people observed laws that were drastically rigid about merchants giving the children of prospective customers sweetmeats with an eye to inducing the parent to buy their goods. What do you suppose would happen to Jesus in these times? We like to think of ourselves as 'civilized' but are we? Most of us can't spare the time to be polite. We just can't be bothered. And how many of those that are polite, think of it as 'insurance against some future favour' rather than genuine human feeling for another? Why don't we arrange to have a week every year set aside for just this purpose? Let's organize a "politeness week". Everyone would be obliged to say please and thank you. Offenders would be obliged to pay a fine to a fund for charity. Whatever charity was chosen, I am sure would benefit enormously by the end of that week, regardless of the size of the fines. Public relations would be greatly improved, and people would be


more pleasant to deal with. It takes so little effort to be pleasant, yet it is one of the best investments we can make. It is deplorable that we should be looked on with suspicion when we offer assistance to another, yet our moral standards have fallen so low, that the first thought that springs into the mind of the person to whom you offered help is, "I wonder what HE is selling?" Could it be that we have lost the ability to sell items to people on value alone, and try to inveigle them into signing a contract for something that would line our own pockets, even though they do not NEED it? And usually can't afford it? But that is right in line with the 'modern' idea, "What do you care about what he can or cannot afford? Sell him the item anyway, 'cause from there on in, it's between him and the Finance Company! Heaven help us, as it appears as if nobody else can! We can't even help ourselves. Would we if we could?"

WHEN A STRANGER

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may learn the experiences others have had in dealing with

the same sales-person or firm. Remember—many ethical, reputable business firms operate on a "door-to-door" basis. Don't tar all firms with the same brush simply because you have had an unhappy experience with one unethical company. Before you Invest — Investigate. —(Reprinted from "Better Business Bureau Bulletin")


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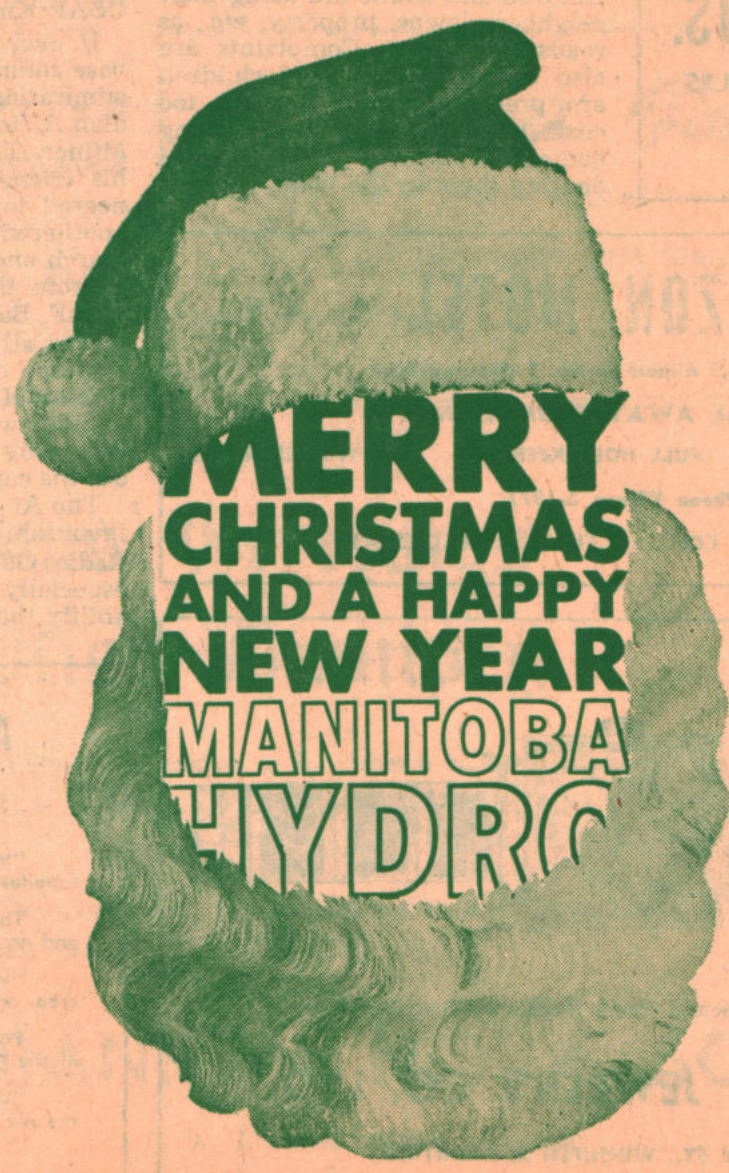
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Council Comments

Two meetings of your council were held during the month of November. The Emergency Meeting held 2 Nov. 1961 was primarily called to deal with the matter of a Children's Christmas Party. This matter was originally approved in principal but at the regular monthly meeting decision was based on a study of the costs of holding a party and the number of children involved. This coupled with the memo which was reproduced in the minutes of the regular monthly meeting brought about the change and the decision to cancel the party. Just think of the fun of trying to control and entertain approximately 1800 children. That's about the number of children living in our community.

By now most of the rinks in the PMQ and Rental Units will be just about ready for the youngsters to get out and get their bumps and bruises learning the fine art of skating. Don't forget parents, we are still looking for people to help keep these small rinks clean and

to give them the odd coat of new ice during the winter. So far the response has been very good and now with the ice just about ready to go lets see some of those who were absent during the construction period out to do some shovelling and scraping. Don't wait to be called on. Come out and volunteer. You will be surprised how nice it is to do something without having to be badgered into it.

The ladies of our community will be happy to hear there is now a stove on both floors of the Community Hall. This is of particular help to those Guide and Brownie Leaders who are doing such a good job of instructing our girls one evening a week in some of the finer points of housekeeping and cooking.

Always on the subject of money; this month's meeting was no exception, this time though it isn't going to cost anything only a change in the bookkeeping procedure commencing Jan. 1962. This will also save the council \$240.00 a year a worthy saving when operating on such a limited budget. It is now proposed to collect our council funds quarterly in arrears instead of monthly. This cuts the submission of the R75 to the accounts to four times a year instead of monthly. This also means that four times a year you will be charged instead of monthly. We will still be paying the same yearly amount but it will be taken from our pay four times a year at \$1.50 a quarter instead of twelve times at 50c a month.

Complaints are being received by the Housing Officer that some residents of our area are not respecting their neighbors property in that children and adults are using their neighbors lawns, property, etc., as roads and paths. Complaints are also being received that children are presumed to be playing too close to parked cars and causing damage to them by scratching and denting them in the body, fenders,

etc. So, please, explain to your children the rights of other and by so doing your rights might also be respected.

Recently an inventory was taken of the Community Centre and it was found that a number of pieces of the Melmac dishes are missing. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of these dishes please contact either the mayor and your councillors in order that we can bring the set back upto its original number. Speaking of missing items there are a number of pieces of hockey equipment which are also missing and anyone holding this equipment it would be appreciated if it could be returned. At present there is no hockey equipment available for loan for the use of childrens hockey.

KINROSS BEAR TRAP

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ous assortment of Canadian Dakota and Expeditor Aircraft.

"Col. Milner has been posted to Churchill, and by the way, Sir, the tower wants an explanation for the unauthorized low flying over a Canadian field!" "Oh, that, just showing my wheels to the tower you know, ha, ha aah." The laugh turned to a sallow grin as he got no response from the assembled group.

"Yes, Sir, and now we have to escort you to the Canadian Customs." "Customs, but, but, I am a good friend of Col. Milner, and have just flown in from Selfridge to see him this week-end."

By this time the escort had reached the station wagon. The worried Major yelped with delight as he sighted the grinning Col. Victor Milner, base commander of USAF Kinross.

If ever there was an American base commander who had won the admiration and good will of Canadian Airforce personnel it was Col. Milner. This "after duty" joke on his friend Major Fogo was engineered to add a bit of humor to anotherwise grim, arduous task of search and rescue duties.

From the time of arrival at USAF Base Kinross, Col. Milner placed all the base facilities at the disposal of the Canadian searchmaster. His good will and friendly manner were spontaneous, and reflected by the officers and men under his command.

The American Officers were very favourably impressed by the Cadet Radio Officers. Course 5504 were especially gifted, in entertaining ability that is, with a singing quar-

ter, and F/C Hopkins with his professional magician act.

Now, the Officers' Mess at Kinross had only recently been opened. Their bar is established in the basement of the bachelor Officer quarters. However, the game of "buck, buck", introduced by the RCAF, found immediate popularity. After a trial run on Thursday night the American team, flushed with temporary success, issued the following proclamation:—

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Well, with this official challenge complete with the Kinross "Bear Trap" seal attached, the fighting AROS team surged into action.

The AROS Cadet assisted by the Pilots really had an opportunity to prove themselves. What the thundering muscular McPhee did to the unsuspecting USAF team is not worth mentioning. With proper fanfare the AROS team were proclaimed the Buck Buck champions of USAF AFB Kinross. The scroll of honour and the Kinross Bear Trap were presented to the AROS Officers. The Kinross team let it be known that they are determined to win the international championship back.

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pertaining to the plan you are con-
sidering but, a word to the wise—
"READ THE FINE PRINT."

One such scholastic plan recent-
ly introduced in Canada has its
share of merit however, it is not
entirely free of strings." For ex-
ample, in order to participate in
this particular plan an enrolment
fee of \$100 is required, your child
must be under the age of eight,
must graduate, not only from high
school but first year university.
Then, and only then, does the plan
enter the picture. Up to this point
financing is your sole responsi-
bility. Interest compounded on
your \$100 investment from the date
of the contract to commencement
of SECOND YEAR university is
supposed to provide sufficient
funds to enable your child to com-
plete his university course.

If for any reason you wish to
drop out after a 30 day period you
won't receive a refund. In addi-
tion, if your child does not get
through either high school or first
year university you'll loose not on-
ly your \$100 but also the interest
compounded thereon.

There is no guarantee this par-
ticular plan will pay your child's
tuition fees plus board and room
10 or 20 year hence as there is no
assurance that the interest com-
pounded during the required peri-
od of contract will be sufficient to
meet the possibility of future ris-
ing costs. Therefore parents should
be prepared to supplement their
child's scholarship with extra per-
sonal funds.

It is not intended to imply that
any or all scholarship plans which
may be offered for your considera-
tion are dishonest. However, the
timeold adage "to be forewarned is
to be forearmed" may hold true
for some unwary investors. There-
fore we suggest that if you are not
certain of all ramifications which
could result from your joining a
Scholarship Trust Plan, request
advice from your Section Head,
SAO or PAO.

THE LONELY LITTLE XMAS TREE

One upon a Xmas Eve when all the
world was white,
Santa Claus prepared his sleigh
for his annual flight.
It was all packed with goodies, and
toys of every kind
For each and every one on earth;
no gift was left behind.
There even was a Xmas tree for
someone who'd forgot,
And tonight with Santa it would
go, down the chimney pot.
Santa stood and cracked his whip,
and said, "Well come on boys."
As his reindeer galloped through
the sky, all loaded down with
toys.
They travelled fast, and as they
crossed the icy wastes below,
A little seed fell from the tree, and
settled to the snow.
It trembled as it lay there, and
shivered from the cold,
Crying frozen tear drops; it wasn't
very old.
"Now," it sobbed, "I'll never grow,
way here all alone.
Without the earth to hold by roots,
all my hope is gone."
But here in the land of the mid-
night sun, strange things come
to pass,
And far away in the winter sky,
that bright and glowing mass
Began pulsating slowly, then,
every single day,
Shot a little sunbeam down, to melt
the snow away.
Soon the ground began to show and
the seed fell to the earth,
And the lonely little Xmas tree
grew for all its worth.
It grew a little every day, and
when a year had passed
It stood out there in the arctic air,
a Xmas tree at last.

Its head drooped just a little; it
knew it would never be,
For some happy joyful family,
their special Xmas tree.
But things were happening in
Santa Land; it was Xmas Eve
once more,
And the sleigh was ready; all the
toys were loaded as before.
As Santa Jingled through the sky,
the lonely tree felt sad,
And he thought of the children in
their beds, and how they'd soon
feel glad.
But the sun sent six little sun-
beams down, and placed them
all around,
'Til the lonely little Xmas tree,
looked like a star upon the
ground.
Now Santa couldn't miss this
scene as he passed way over-
head,
And he circled lower just to see,
then he laughed aloud and said.
"Well, well, my little Xmas tree,
so sad and all alone,
You're just what I've been looking
for, a tree to call my own.
My fat little Gnomes and tiny
Elves have been working all year
round,
And they'll have a Xmas party;
now that you've been found.

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snow, and then to light you by,
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A BRIEF COURSE ON HOW TO GET INTO DEBT — A SERIAL

PHASE 3

THE FINISHING TOUCHES

Lesson 10—Consolidate Your Debts Into a Loan

If you listen to the radio or read the magazine and papers, the advertising slogans of the loan business will be familiar to you—"consolidate those old bills"—"phone

for a loan"—"come in and see our yes-man". The next step will occur to you without too much effort on your part. You simply get a loan and pay off your accumulated debts. As a start you can choose one of the 50-odd money lending institutions licensed under the Small Loans Act (See Instructor's Notes below). As the advertisements say, the payments will be tailored to fit your income. If you are going to get par for this course, you will arrange for monthly payments at about \$80.00 as a first effort. Do not bother to calculate the interest, although you will find if you do that the rate of 2% per month (which prevailed at the date of preparation of this course) represents 26.8% per annum in simple interest. You will have to sign a chattel mortgage which, in effect, transfers the ownership of your chattels to the loan company. Well, now you have complete peace of mind because you have consolidated all your debts under one loan company.

meeting brought about the change and the decision to cancel the party. Just think of the fun of trying to control and entertain approximately 1800 children. That's about the number of children living in our community.

By now most of the rinks in the PMQ and Rental Units will be just about ready for the youngsters to get out and get their bumps and bruises learning the fine art of skating. Don't forget parents, we are still looking for people to help keep these small rinks clean and

You are not finished with the lesson on loan companies yet. After a few months it will be obvious that you cannot manage to pay \$80.00 a month. Incidentally, during this period be sure to allow your payments to fall well behind. You will note that the 2% per month interest rate is charged on

the balance owing. Therefore, if the payment is due in 30 days and you do not make it for 45 days, you will be allowed to pay an additional 15 days interest on the old balance.

Eventually, however, you will come to realize that you just cannot
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'Twas The Night Before Christmas

(Unofficial Version)

"T'was the Night before Christmas and all through the house
Were empties and butts left around by some louse,
And the best quart I hid by the chimney with care
Had been swiped by some bum who had found it down there.
My guests had long since been poured in their beds,
To wake in the morning with some God awful heads.
My wife, too, was cold with her chin on her lap,
And me, I was dying for one more nightcap.

When out on the lawn there came such a yell,
I sprang to my feet to see "what the h . . .
Away to the window I tore like a flash,
Fell over the table, broke a chair with a crash.
The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Made me think of coal bills and all I did owe.
And what my wondering eyes did show up
But eight bloated reindeer hitched to a beer truck.

With a little old driver who looked like a hick,
But I saw it was Santa, as tight as a tick.
Like General Grant Tanks, those reindeer they came,
And he hiccupped and belched as he called them by name.
"On Schenley, On Seagram, we ain't got all night,
You too, Haig and Haig, and You, Black and White,
Scram up on the roof—get the h . . . off this wall,
Get going "Mule Train," we got a long haul."
So up on the roof went reindeer and truck,
But a tree branch hit Santa before he could duck.
And then in a twinkle I heard from above
A heck of a noise that was no cooing dove.

Then I pulled in my head and cocked a sharp ear,
Down the chimney he came right flat on his rear.
He was dressed in furs with cuffs on his pants,
And the way the guy squirmed I guess he had ants.
His droll little mouth made him look a bit wacky,
And the beard on his chin was stained with tobaccy.
He had pints and quarts in the sack on his back,
And a breath that would blow a train off the track.

He was chubby and plump and he tried to stand right,
But he didn't fool me, he was high as a kite.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And missed half the stockings, the plastered old jerk.
Then putting five fingers to the end of his nose,
He gave me the bird and up the chimney he rose.
He sprang for his truck and slid on his face,
But finally managed to flop into place.

But I heard him burp back, ere he passed out of sight,
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Therefore, if in 30 days and if for 45 days, to pay an arrear on the old ever, you will t you just can-
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 not meet this monthly amounts. This is the time to go back to the loan company and make arrangements to re-finance the loan over

a much longer period at a lower monthly payment. If you need a little extra cash for summer holidays or Christmas, this can be arranged at the same time.

So now you have a re-financed

loan. Once again you must not attempt to calculate the interest. If you do, you will see that a 24-month loan can cost about three and a half times as much as a 6-month loan. This will be bad for

your morale. Just think in terms of your monthly payment. About half of that payment will be interest but you can't stop to consider this now. In fact, you could prob-

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A CHRISTMAS YARN

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wrapped around the body and pinned in place.

And oddly enough, stockings were the last articles of apparel that man created and added to his wardrobe. Imagine going about on a December day—Christmas or not—without stockings!

Between the time the legendary first Christmas stocking was filled

and today, stocking manufacture became a complicated art. The latest innovation, pioneered by the makers of Esquire Socks, is the one-size stocking. What does this mean for the youngster who hangs Dad's hosiery on the mantle Christmas Eve? A bigger and better Christmas morning—since the stocking grows with every goody Santa drops.

But many Christmases were cele-

brated before the one-size sock arrived.

In Britain, by the end of the 5th century, leather stockings called "scinc-hose", meaning shank or leg guard, were the rage. These were worn by the Saxons except the Monks. Members of the Christian clergy were forbidden to celebrate mass—much less Christmas—in bare legs, but clerical garb had to be differentiated from that of the

laity. The Saxon Monks became one of the first men to cut strips of fabric and sew them to fit the leg.

In documents of the 11th century, modern historians get their first hint that the legend of the Christmas stocking is not based on fact. It's not until the 11th century that stockings had feet! Did Santa go around dropping gifts into bottomless socks for 700 years?

It's more likely that the Christmas stocking custom was born between the 11th and 14th centuries. During this period, knights and merchants from northern Europe began traveling to and trading in the southern nations.

For centuries, the children of sunny Spain had been practicing a Christmas custom very similar to our stocking custom.

Spanish lore teaches that the three Kings of the Orient pass through Spain each year on a very round-about route to Bethlehem where they pay annual tribute to the Christ child.

On Epiphany Eve, the night of the journey, Spanish children fill their shoes with straw for the travelers' horses and leave them outside. On Epiphany morning, the shoes are miraculously filled with gifts!

The Spanish custom was probably brought back to the British Isles and translated into our Christmas stocking version.

By the 16th century, St. Nick's gifts were received in hosiery of pure silk. According to Esquire Socks hosiery authorities, the style-conscious men and women of Europe in the 1500's wore only silk stockings... even in winter. When cold Christmas weather came, they just donned several pair of hose at once!

The first silk stockings made in Europe were lovingly knitted by a lady in waiting to Queen Elizabeth of England and presented to the queen as a Christmas gift!

Elizabeth was so delighted, she declared she'd never wear anything but silk stockings... and the generous lady in waiting was fated to spend a good part of the rest of her life knitting!

Early Americans weren't as fashion conscious as their European forefathers. As a matter of fact, fancy dress was outlawed in Puritan Massachusetts where simplicity was a sign of morality. Any Puritan seen wearing stockings or any other apparel made with silk, lace, embroidery, or silver or gold thread had to forfeit the clothing!

On Christmas Eve in Colonial

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ably keep on re-financing this loan indefinitely—and some of the more experienced debt enthusiasts do just this. Of course, they have saddled themselves with a long term debt on which the interest is 25 cents on the dollar but they usually do not worry so long as they can meet the required monthly payment.

P.S.—Some loan companies will give you a credit card—good at their offices anywhere in Canada. No confirmed debt enthusiast should be without one!

Instructor's Notes:

(1) You can obtain your loan from an unlicensed company if you wish. As at this date there are some forty such agencies in operation.—All lending sums in excess of \$1500.00 and therefore not coming under the jurisdiction of the Small Loans Act. Their interest rates are not subject to supervision of the Government.

(2) Loan Companies serve a useful purposes in furnishing cash to meet emergencies and other reasonable needs. The object of this lesson is to bring out the result when loans are obtained by people already in serious debt.

Lesson 11—Buy Yourself a Car

If you manipulate your loan properly, you should be able to get the payments down to around \$60.00 a month. At this stage, provided that you have the correct perspective, you can easily convince yourself that you have more money for yourself than you have ever before. In fact, you are so well off that you can buy that car that has been an unattainable necessity up to now. A reconditioned, secondhand bargain would be just the thing and here again there is an important point! Look at the price tag and argue yourself into buying the car at that figure. Do not add the interest charges. If you do, you might feel your are paying more than you can afford. Again, just think in terms of "How much a month" but not in terms of "How many months".

Also, you must feel quite definitely that you can operate this car for around \$20.00 a month. If you happen to see any figures which indicate that the total cost for depreciation, upkeep and operation ranges anywhere from \$50.00 to \$75.00 a month, do not believe them! They are true, of course, but you know they have been published strictly for the purpose of throwing cold water upon the justifiable wishes of ordinary people like yourself.

P.S.—Be sure to get a credit card for your gas and oil. This will allow you to keep on running the car when you have no money.

Lesson 12—Get Into the "Extra Income" Racket

(You gotta speculate to accumulate)

Even though you refuse to believe it you will find it is costing you at least \$50.00 a month to run your car. In addition, you must keep up the payments to the loan company and to the acceptance corporation for your car. This means a total outlay from your income of some \$125.00 a month. You will be finding it difficult to make ends meet once again, but no really good debt enthusiast need be stuck at this point.

The answer is to earn extra money—and you are hereby cautioned against taking on any sensible jobs. It will be necessary to decide upon some extra-curricular

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The message will be repeated on CBC-TV at 11:09 p.m. EST, immediately following the National News.

On the CBC Dominion radio network, the message will be repeated at 8 p.m. EST, and on the Trans-Canada radio network at 10:10 p.m. EST, following the National News.

The Queen pre-recorded the message for simultaneous release in Commonwealth countries.

CURLING NEWS

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F/O Vaughan then lost to the Navy while F/L Lord was losing to Cpl. Joe Price. In the final, "Joe" lost to the Navy.

The British Consul Playdowns Zone Finals are progressing very well. Some of the surviving rinks so far are Palmer, Common, Lord, King, Thurmeier and Lavier.

There will be an "Old Crocks" Bonspiel commencing Tuesday evening 26 Dec. and continuing for four days. It is not known at present how many rinks will be participating.

The High School Bonspiel elimination will be held at our club commencing Tuesday 26 Dec. and

continuing for four days from 0800 to 1700 hours.

The Ladies City Championships will be held at our rink during the day, commencing Tuesday of the first week in January for three days. Our Ladies Club has at least two entries.

This week will see the end of the regular curling until after the New Year. It is anticipated that the third round of the men's Regular League will commence on Thursday, 4 Jan.

Ladies Curling Club

A very enjoyable morning was spent at the curling rink Wednesday 29 November. We had as our guests two rinks from the Pembina Ladies Club and also two rinks from the Ft. Osborne Ladies Club.

Miss Elma Dowling of the Province of London Curling Club, England, was curling with the Pembina Ladies. Miss Dowling had heard that Winnipeg was a great curling centre and decided to come out here to curl. She has also curled at Kircaldy, Scotland and Murren-Grinderwald, Sweden. The Pembina Ladies took Miss Dowling into their club, which is also the home club of Mrs. Kay Balcaen, president of the MLCA. Mrs. Balcaen was curling on one of the visiting rinks.

The Ft. Osborne Ladies have finally had their first game of the season, as the weatherman was a bit unco-operative until recently in getting the rink ready for curling. Following the game coffee was served in the club rooms.

Our club played a double round

robin to determine our representative for the District Playdowns. Four rinks competed, skipped by Gloria Church, Lucy Lee, Verna Tiller, and Lee McKee. A playoff was required as Gloria Church and Lee McKee finished with five wins and one loss. Gloria Church's rink of Mina Treleaven, Betty Batchelor and Gwen Batchelor emerged as the victors and will represent our club in the playdowns. They will meet the ladies from the Thistle Club at a place and date still to be set.

A number of rinks from the Ladies Club have accepted an invitation from the Ladies Club of RCAF Stn. Portage la Prairie and will proceed to Portage some Saturday the first part of January.

NCO PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

Sgt. Tommy Beal of Transient Servicing practised his HO-HO-HO's last week at the annual Deer Lodge United Church Christmas party. Tom's cheerful disposition made him an obvious candidate for playing the role. Many station youngsters were among the multitudes that sat on his knee and explained as best they could, their Christmas wishes. Things became rather awkward when it was the turn of Santa Claus' own children. Fortunately they didn't see through the beard, and their impression of the Yuletide visitor remains as faithful as ever.

On the previous evening, Monday, December 11th, the Mission Band group directed by Mrs. Beal presented a Christmas pageant (The First Christmas). The performance was greatly enjoyed by friends and families present. The children donated gifts which were then given to the Indian Metis Centre for their Christmas party.

A CHRISTMAS YARN

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New England, only the plainest black or brown woolen stockings hung on the mantles, awaiting Santa's bounty.

There is one similarity, however, between the bright, decorative Christmas stockings of today and those of history—the delight in the eyes of the kids who empty them on Christmas morning!

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activity which will **cost you money to get into**. A good example would be photo finishing. You can finance the purchase of the necessary equipment and earn extra money by turning out prints for your friends and neighbors.

If your wife wishes to assist, she can sell jewellery or cosmetics in her spare time. This usually involves the purchase of an expensive (but a very nice looking) kit. Another well-advertised plan permits the housewife to do invisible mending at home. The plan includes the purchase of a \$39.50 machine. These too can be bought on time payments but she will have to sign a conditional sales contract, and if she cannot manage to pay for the kit (or mending machine), please do not try to send it back to the vendor. He will have no use for it **either**, and if he does repossess, he will allow just a fraction of the original cost and you will still be liable to pay the balance owing on the contract.

Lesson 13—If You Can't Earn Extra Income, Reduce Expenses

It will take several months but eventually you will find that earning extra money "your way" is not as easy as it seems. You must not give up, however. If you cannot earn extra money, then the obvious alternative is to reduce expenses. What takes the largest chunk out of your income? Food, of course. How can you reduce your food expenses? Go right down and buy a frozen food plan, with freezer. When you take this final step, do not stop to consider that you are buying an expensive item of home equipment. It is quite feasible that, through the purchase of one of these freezers and a food plan, you can save money—and the saving should be enough to pay for the freezer over a period of time. Do not stop to consider, in your own case, whether or not you have the money to buy a freezer **under any plan**. If you do, you will presumably come to the conclusion that this plan is not for you because you cannot afford the freezer in the first place.

Having bought the freezer and the food plan, you need not worry about having food in the house. In fact you can eat steaks and ice cream almost every night of the week, and you will be eating better than you ever did. You may find, though, that you have not reduced your food expenditure very

much and, of course, you now must pay the food plan people \$60.00 a month.

Summary

To recapitulate, your debts now total \$3,500.00 and your monthly payments are something as follows:

Loan Company	\$ 60.00
Acceptance Corporation for car	40.00
Running Expenses for car	50.00
Photographic Equipment	15.00
"Earn at home" kit for wife	5.00
Frozen Food Plan	60.00
Total	\$230.00

In addition, you have the normal expenses of running your household which, if you are an average family, will require \$200.00.

BROTHER, YOU'VE HAD THE COURSE!

ANS RUMOURS

There is more truth said in jest than this world dreams of, and the latest in the ANS charades is "When is an RO not an RO?"

First it was the question on swords, now it is swagger sticks.

Lately it has been rumoured that ANS air instructors, particularly those from Electronic Air section, have been somewhat lax in their deportment in that they have not been sitting "At Attention", while divulging the secrets of better radar scope reading to trainees on air exercises in Dakota aircraft.

Primarily this shortcoming is accredited to the present size of pencils and grease crayons being of such a length that it necessitates bending over slightly from the erect sitting position in order to point out the finer features of Radar Scope reading.

Thanks to the ingeniousness of the Electronic Section of ANS, this fault will be corrected in the very near future. Every Air instructor

will be issued on temporary loan a pointer 21½ inches in length, ¾ of an inch in diameter tapering to a blunt point ¼ inch in diameter. The thick end of the pointer will be mounted with a round silver non-polishable ball one inch in diameter, filled with buckshot. The ball will have a gold miniature ANS crest and the motto NIHIL FAILEUNT (They shall not fail), suitably engraved. Either end of the pointer can be used to maximum advantage, the thin end to point to the scope, the loaded end to gently message the skull of a student who does not appear to be getting the point.

It is further rumoured that an Army Officer of a rank no less than Captain, complete with a revised edition of a Drill Manual on Baton Handling (the boys were hoping to get a Winnipeg Blue Bomber Majorette) is being added to the Electronic Empire to teach both Nav and Radio Air instructors on the finer points of swagger stick handling. The revised edition

of the Air Baton Handling drill manual will cover fully all aspects of instructing in a prone, sitting, leaning, standing, etc., "At Attention" position.

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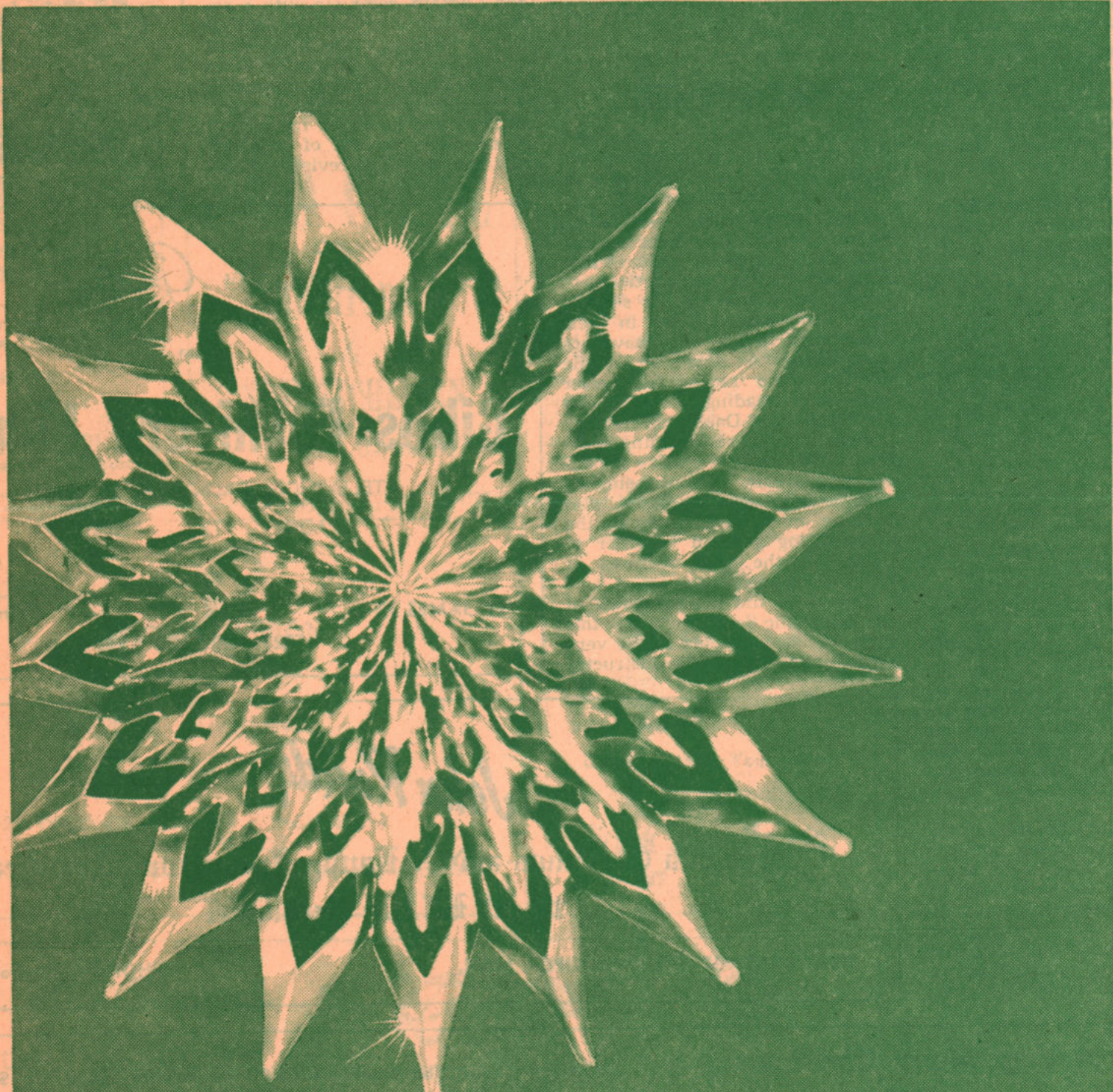
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