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## Editorial

With the Christmas Season here once again, Voxair ends another year of publication. Many of our staff have come and gone during the year and are now enjoying the festive season in other parts of Canada. The success that Voxair has achieved in 1964 is due, in many ways to their efforts, and to our contributors, readers, and advertisers. Although we are demanding in our efforts to meet deadlines, the cooperation we have received has enabled us to carry on.

The VOXAIR staff wish you, your families and friends, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## NOTICE

**There will be no issue of Voxair on 25 December or 1 January. The deadline for the 8 January issue will be 1300 hrs. Monday, 4 January.**



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## Christmas Greetings

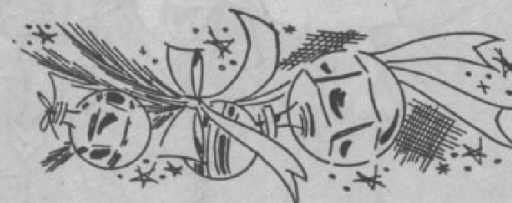


AIR VICE MARSHALL C. H. GREENWAY, OBE, CD  
Air Officer Commanding—Training Command

Now that the holiday season is rapidly approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all personnel of Training Command for their unfailing support in making the past year so successful. Only through your constant efforts has Training Command been able to achieve this success and I am certain the challenges of 1965 will be met with the same determination.

I would like to extend to you my sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a successful, happy New Year.

C. H. Greenway, A/V/M  
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As we prepare for the Yule Tide celebration and the beginning of another year, we are thankful for the many blessings enjoyed during the past and look forward to the challenges and opportunities 1965 will afford us.

I have been very proud to serve with you throughout 1964 and I have watched you at your duties as well as in your avocational activities. No task has been slighted. Indeed the cheerful and effective way you have responded to every call upon your efforts has been inspiring. Assuming this is typical it augurs well for the future of our Armed Forces in particular and Canada in general. No commander could hope for more, nor could he find words to express adequately his sincere appreciation, gratitude and pride.

May the joy and spirit of Christmas be with you and your families in full measure throughout the coming year and in all your years to come!

D. A. Willis, G/C  
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# WINNIPEG — SEAT OF AVIATION FIRSTS

By P. THORMIN

In this age of high flight, space conquest and, rapid speed, one tends to forget the pioneers of air travel and dwell too long on the very short past, the present and future.

To be sure, there are those who will remain in memory and be enshrined in the pages of Air History. To those few who might be held in that same light by the Province and the city of Winnipeg itself, their deeds are very dim in recollection.

Perhaps those people who pursue aviation history, are well aware of the growth of aviation in Manitoba and Winnipeg. To them that did not know of the heritage of aviation in this province and city, the following is a resume of what has been contributed to aviations expansion.

—On July 15, 1910, Eugene B. Ely made the first flight of an airplane in the province of Manitoba from a field here in Winnipeg. He was an American pilot, but the honour of the flight was Winnipeg's

—On July 22, 1911, Frank Coffyn, pilot, took W. C. Power as the first air passenger in Western Canada, for a flight in a Wright biplane. The aircraft took off and landed from a field here in Winnipeg.

—Jimmie Ward, piloting a Curtiss biplane, made the first mile high flight recorded in Canada from a field here in Winnipeg. The altitude record was set at 6,000 feet and took place on July 19, 1912.

—The first plane to loop the loop and accomplish inverted flight in Canada, was a Curtiss biplane flown by Lincoln Beachey. The aircraft took off from a field here in Winnipeg and performed on July 11, 1914.

—The first use of an aircraft by a Canadian newspaper for fast news coverage was from Winnipeg to Winkler, Manitoba and return on Oct. 13, 1920. Hector Dougall was the pilot and Frank H. Ellis mechanic. Transporting Cecil Lamont,

a Free Press reporter to the scene of a robbery in an Avro biplane.

—In the period of Oct 15-17, 1920, the first Commercial passenger flight into the Canadian north country took place. The aircraft left Winnipeg on a journey to The Pas. The pilot was Hector Dougall, Frank E. Ellis mechanic and Frank J. Stanley passenger. The aircraft was an Avro biplane.

—On April 29, 1929, Eileen S. Magill became the first Canadian woman pilot to fly across the international border, when she made a flight from Winnipeg to Minneapolis, Minn., and return.

—The inauguration of the Prairie Air Mail Service of Western Canada became an actuality on March 3, 1930, when service began between Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Edmonton.

Of the eight firsts in aviation for the Province and City, perhaps the best remembered person of aviation from this part of Canada is F. J. Stevenson.

In the year of 1927, Frank Stevenson won the Harmon Trophy for his contribution to aviation and his efforts to promote it across Canada. On Jan. 5, 1928 while testing a Fokker monoplane at The Pas, he crashed into the main street of that town and was killed. Later in that same year, the city of Winnipeg and the municipality of St. James opened a large, joint airport where the present airport now stands. His Mother and Father unveiled a marble plaque which bore the inscription, "This aerodrome is named Stevenson Aerodrome in dedication to the late Captain F. J. Stevenson of Winnipeg, Canada's Premier Commercial Pilot."

This same field is known today and referred to as Stevenson field. Of the man who did so much for aviation, his city and province, there stands a simple cross in Brookside cemetery marking his grave for those who must surely remember him, and pay him silent tribute.

Who knows of the others who helped advance aviation in the Province and lived in Winnipeg? Surely it must be accredited them their rightful place in aviation history as well as those of today who are following in their footsteps.

# A PARODY

(WITH APOLOGIES TO GOOD KING WENCESLAS)

By MAURICE HARDMAN AND JOHN ROGALSKY

Good old Met. and Staff looked out On the field of Stevens, When the snow lay round about, Deep, and crisp, and even. Harshly blew the wind that night, And the frost was cruel, When a pilot came in sight, Gathering Met. and fuel.

"Hither Met. come stand by me, If thou know'st it, telling, Yonder snowflakes, whence came they, Where and what their heading?" "Sire, they moved a few leagues hence, Inside a quarter hour, Right thick they are and so dense They've had to light the tower."

"Good Sir Met.," the Pilot said, "Those words I like to hear." Away with Met.—the way he led, For a glass of beer. Met. and Pilot forth they went, Through the blizzard hairy, With flying scrubbed, then, they were bent, On keeping Christmas merry.



# Play It Safe

A holiday is a time for frivolity and carefree joy, a time to be convivial and friendly, a time to be intermittently host and guest. In the days when highways were laneways and Dobbin could find his own way home, Jovial Joe was comparatively safe on his junkets.

It's different today. Joe, still jovial and junketing, has command of a couple of hundred horsepower and a two-ton vehicle amid thousands of other similarly uninhibited celebrators. The same manoeuver that dropped an alcoholic mist over his unfocussing eyes builds within him a boldness and recklessness that reduces his driving ability and produces an unguided missile that takes human life in horrifying quantity.

Keep that effervescent Christmas cheer between the walls of your home or take a taxi. There'll come another Christmas and New Year's and you might want to be around, but not as a shameful memory.

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# CURLING — THAT TWO



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## THE HISTORY OF CURLING

The ancient art of curling has increased in popularity over the last quarter of a century at a fantastic rate. When I was a young fellow, not so many years ago, I always considered curling as being an old man's game. Of course being from hog-town we never did hear much about curling. However, over the past few years a number of my friends tried to introduce me to the game. Being a stubborn old codger they didn't succeed until last year. I can now honestly say that I am sorry I didn't start sooner.

After playing one game I became completely sold. Because of the interest developed I wanted to learn more about the game and I turned to the library to gain information. The history of the game is fascinating, so also are the stones that were used over the years.

When, where, and by whom was the grand old game of curling started? It is not possible to find the answer from any text book on curling. Many authors surmise that Scotland was the originator, but other authors claim it was begun in Flanders. Some authors claim that because of the words used, such as Hack, bonspiel, etc., the game began in the Low Countries. The general agreement swings to Scotland. Maybe this is because the Scots have always been known for their feats of strength, such as, putting the shot, tossing the caber, or throwing the hammer. In any case it is Scotland's national sport.

The rules of play varied in different countries. In some it was considered bad manners if a take-out was made, in others you could not use a guard, or wick and roll. There were rules which specified that a stone should not weigh in excess of 15 to 18 pounds. It seems that in many cases the contestants made their own rules. In Bavaria sweeping was not permitted.

It wasn't long before the weight of the stones was increased. The Royal Caledonian Club has in its possession stones that weigh in excess of 100 pounds. The game then became a contest of strength. Can you imagine the strength required to throw a stone of that weight and

what about attempting a take-out. As the sport progressed the size, shape and weight of curling stones changed drastically. So also did the rules of the game.

In Ernie Richardson's book on curling he came up with a set of regulations, mythical as they may be, which may have been suggested for society in the early days of curling.

1. Each member shall attend the Precess of any quorum of the Society when called, unless they have a reasonable excuse under the penalty of six shillings Scots.
2. Only one member shall speak at a time, and in addressing the the president, the speaker shall rise to his feet.
3. No politics of church or state shall be discussed. Any member introducing a political subject of conversation shall be fined in a penalty of sixpence, and shall be fined immediately.
4. Whiskey punch shall be the usual drink of the club in order to encourage the growth of barley.
5. Any member appearing at a meeting the worse of liquor shall be obliged to leave immediately for the day.
6. There shall be no wagers, cursing or swearing, during the time of game under the penalty of two shillings for each oath, and the fines for wagers to be at the discretion of the Precess and the other members present, and the wagers in themselves shall be void and null.
7. No member shall speak of the faults of another member in curling, nor deride the officer-bearers, nor disobey the orders of the day.
8. Any member who swears, dictates to another how to vote, or persists in trifling motions without being supported shall be fined.
9. Any member convicted of robbery or theft shall have his name erased from the roll of members.
10. The players shall be divided by

the officer-bearers into racks (rinks) and placed in those racks in all parish games, and any person refusing to play in the place allotted shall be fined in the sum of sixpence.

11. Any person refusing to play a parish game, when warned by the officer (unless he can give such an excuse as the majority of his rack shall approve of) shall be fined in the sum of one shilling.
12. All the money received by the society for the entry of new members or payment of fines shall be kept for the use of the society in general.
13. Every member shall pay yearly to the Treasurer four shillings, for the use of the aforesaid.

The early stones used in curling had no handles. They had a hole or niche for the finger and thumb. These stones were often called Channel Stones as they were normally found on the banks of streams and in channels. Their average weight was less than 25 pounds. When handles were introduced, iron wedged or driven into the stone, the weight increased and the stones remained irregular in shape. As the years passed and as more and clubs were founded the stones became smaller and lighter in size. Stones in the early days bore such names as "Robbie Dow"—34 lbs., "Black Mag"—66 lbs., "Rockie"—52 lbs., and "The Egg"—115 lbs. The most famous of all stones in use today is the "Ailsa Craig" which comes from the island Ailsa Craig situated about nine and one-half miles from the mouth of the river Clyde in Scotland. This tiny island is only 220 acres and 1100 feet high.

The first curling club established in Canada was the Royal Montreal Club founded in 1807. Gradually clubs were formed across Canada. Kingston in 1820, Toronto 1837, Winnipeg 1876, Emerson and Portage La Prairie 1880, Brandon 1883, Stonewall 1884. Saskatchewan and Alberta founded curling clubs in the 1880's, and in 1895 curling started in British Columbia at Kaslo.

## NOW THAT CURLING IS A SPORT

A curler, casual or sucked-in, is a chap with an eye to the future. Only in the confines of the IF room will he mutter about the old days. The IF room is an essential adjunct to a Curling Club, and is the place where games are curled without either stones or ice, except the ice which makes that soothing tinkle when it comes into contact with the inside edge of a glass while nine tenths of the ice is submerged in a liquid of the proper density. The IF room is not given completely to the history of the game, but is one of the few places where one finds a listener for an informed review of the game you just lost; but only providing he has your subtle assurance that he too will have the luxury of such a listener. Once in a while the review of history goes back a bit farther than the recent game, and at times like that one hears of those days when the game was not a game in the opinion of those who were charged with deciding what members of the armed force should be encouraged to do with their spare time. Those days passed many years ago.

The other day such a discussion took place, and with only the modification of the censor's red ink, will be repeated here with all the fidelity that can be maintained after a session in that revered IF room. It seems that away back in 1956 there was only one Club which operated its own ice, and that Club was Rockcliffe. I'm sure the CADO of that Station had a great number of pertinent questions to answer. I'm also sure that most of those questions could, without loss of meaning, have been rephrased to "Who in . . . authorized the expenditure of all this NPF money for an unofficial sport?" Be assured that the sport of curling was not an official sport then. The reasons for its "unofficiality" are obscure but were probably related to Ottawa's opinion of the game at that time. These opinions were derived from the sure and certain knowledge that curling is for old men.



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But 1956 was a big year for RCAF curlers. This was the year that two station CO's undertook to convince that imposing body who were then responsible for "policy" in the field of NPF expenditures, and in the recreation matters. A submission to Ottawa was required before a sum exceeding not very much could be spent for recreative purposes. And here of course the policy maker came into his own. He has at his disposal the figures which other curling clubs had gone into hock for to get a sheet of artificial curling ice. At his fingertips was another figure regarding the fees each curler must part with if he is to be considered a member in full standing. These figures, allowing for the rampant inflation of the times, were \$25,000 and \$80 respectively. This gives us some fell for the magnitude of the task which the two CO's undertook.

As everyone knows, CO's are busy people, particularly at stations like Winnipeg and Trenton. They would not have attacked the policy windmill in Don Quixote fashion without a good reason for it. The reason was simply one of fitness and recreation for their people. But besides the reason they also needed the support of a minutely planned argument. In this aspect the curlers excelled. In particular there was one curler in the command headquarters who was not to be denied a cool examination of the figures that kept coming out of the policy shop. In his capacity he knew the engineering aspects of the problem. He had a love for the game, and he also knew a lot of Butler buildings that were rusting away in a number of depots all over the country. Armed with these facts augmented by the quoted prices from the ice machine manufacturers the \$25,000 per sheet became \$25,000 for four sheets, and the \$80 fee per player likewise looked like one quarter of it's former self. The final clincher in the argument was a comparison to bowling, which was official. When it transpired that the curler came off with less expense, the only question left was "What are we waiting for".

Thus, in late '56, two curling rinks were born, to be followed the following year by such a number, that the supply of Butler buildings ran low. Membership multiplied at the same rate, and, to the eternal credit of the recreation policy makers, they came up with the nicest apology for having overlooked the game for so long. They approved a plan to hold annual RCAF curling championships. That we in Winnipeg have the privilege of hosting these fine championships is a geographic coincidence but also a fitting historic one in that, when the two CO's finally held approval to build their clubs, Winnipeg won the race to complete theirs first.

It remains only to further identify the persuasive curler without embarrassing him. He was the senior engineer in the headquarters, and the first curler of the rank of Group Captain to skip a rink in the championships. As proponents go this man belongs on every RCAF curler's all-star team.

## IT'S NICE TO WIN

I would like to thank my good friend Jake Thurmier for the following article.

Darwin was probably not the first to realize that life itself is a competitive thing. He was one of the first to articulate the rule succinctly, as "Survival of the Fittest". We can safely accept that success at both productive and recreative endeavours depends on being the best in a competitive situation. There are other factors involved, but winning is certainly one factor. The relative importance that an individual places on the success factor is probably the best indication of his or her personal worth.

In most professional sports winning has such a relatively high importance that the rules of competition can no longer be entrusted to the participants. A so called neutral group of officials is interposed between teams to ascertain that penalties are imposed for those rule infractions that come to the attention of the officials. Physical injury to an opponent is permissible if no rule is broken while a referee or umpire is watching. Team spirit is, in part, equated with injuring only those participants wearing a certain colour of jersey. To deny one of the opponents the opportunity to contribute to his team's effort is often the mark of a successful player. Because of some deficiency in our vocabulary, these activities are referred to as sport, which term covers all forms of competitive recreational games.

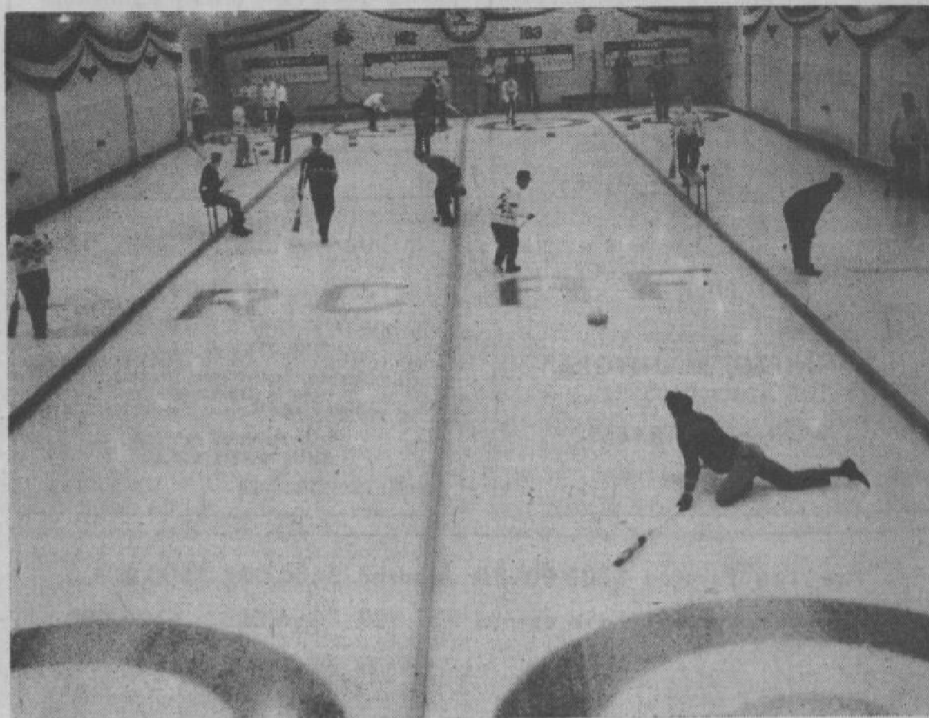
In this column one expects to read about one of these games, namely curling. It, too, is a sport. It is competitive, and most enjoyable when played as a team sport. It has rules and it has referees. It requires precision, coordination, stamina, and a desire to win.

Here, however, it's similarity with most sports comes to an end. It's referees are almost as underworked as they are underpaid. They are straightforward and yet only really intelligible if one regards them in the light of providing the best environment for each competitor to play his stones. Any intentional distraction of the player making his shot is unpardonable. Even repeated unintentional distraction is frowned on, and has on occasion, meant chastising by the culprit's own skip. Real curlers resist rule enforcement by referees, they resist professionalism and they resist any practice which might result in physical injury. Yet real curlers try their very best to win. Without this best effort for your own team the game would lose most of it's appeal.

So much for the introduction. What is the point of this discourse? It is simply this. Curling Clubs are showing too many signs of "win or bust" curling. One evening's spectating will show samples of:

- (a) Players in conversation in line or near the line of vision of the delivering player.
- (b) Motion including brooms on ice behind a skip giving a broom and turn and weight to his player.

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Avid curlers enjoying that wonderful sport — "Curling".

- (c) Sweepers entering the house with a stone at a pace too quick to allow them to stop before crossing the tee, and thus interfering with the opposing skips ability to sweep where he may wish, depending on the role.
- (d) Allowing a fast stone to hit the bumper board with a loud noise that may distract a delivering player on an adjoining sheet, when such a stone was not deflected in the playing zone.
- (e) Sweeping in the house by more than one player of the same team.
- (f) Motion near to or behind the delivering player, often in an attempt to have the opponent's next stone near the hack for his convenience.

Few of these infractions are contrary to the letter of the rule of Curling. All of them contrary to the intent of those rules because they tend to deny your concern with providing the best possible environment for all other curlers including your opposition. They also tend to disavow the old sporting adage that "... it's how you play the game. Worst of all they indicate poor curling manners which have a tendency to spread, particularly to young players. This tendency can reduce the markedly friendly relationship often described by the term "jungle".

As with all manners, our "at Home" behaviour tends to spill over into our "public" pattern, and our Club's reputation will rise or fall with our "public" curling manners. For this reason an appeal is made here for better curling manners in our Regular, Ladies, Mixed, Junior and Intersection competition.

## IS OUR CLUB ACTIVE

Is our Club active? That question should never be asked about our club. When curlers have to be turned away one could say that the Club is reasonably active.

I sat down with a piece of paper and a pencil the other day and did some figuring. The results were startling. Excluding all bonspiels there will be 30,296 man hours de-

voted to curling this year. If you think about this in terms of days, weeks, or years it is all the more impressive. This time of 30,296 hours is equal to 1262 days or 180 weeks or 3½ years. That is a lot of man hours devoted to recreation. Is it any wonder why curling has become such a popular sport.

How many individuals participate? Quite a few. In the Regular League, excluding spares, there are 192 people participating. In hours spent curling it works out to 768 man hours per week. In the Mixed League there are 160 curlers—320 hours per week. In the Ladies League there are 20 teams—80 ladies—160 hours per week. In the Intersection League there are 160 curlers—280 hours per week and the Juniors have 68 curlers for 136 hours per week.

The total curlers involved, excluding spares, is 660. That is a lot of people. It must be realized, of course, that the majority of the curlers curl in more than one league.

## LETTER TO ALL CURLERS

Dear Curler,

The curling season is at the half-way mark and from now on the serious curling starts. With events such as Club playdowns for Consols, the Airforce Championship and the MCA Bonspiel coming up there is plenty of action in store for all curlers. The success of these events is directly related to the response of the curlers and the Committee certainly appreciates the cooperation and support it has received from the members.

Again this year, as in the past, we are fortunate to have an excellent Committee. My job as President has been made relatively easy because of the way the various league Chairmen have handled their duties in organizing the curling. The Club Manager, the Drawmaster, our publicity team—all are doing an outstanding job.

On behalf of the RCAF Winnipeg Curling Club Executive I wish everyone good curling and fellowship in the coming years.

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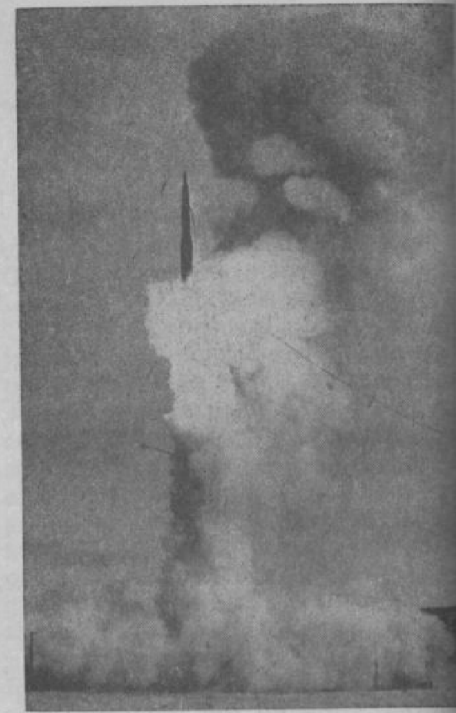
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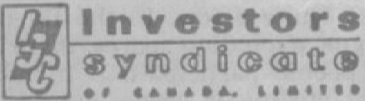


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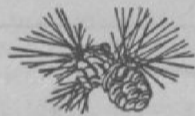
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### CHRISTMAS IN HANGAR 11

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Of the perils of the night his men  
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Christmas is celebrated many ways, but *how* it's done depends on where you are.

Sweden, Mexico, the Netherlands, Spain, Denmark, France—wherever you go in the world, you will find that each country has its own Christmas traditions.

In Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ, the streets are filled on Christmas Eve with thousands of devout pilgrims, representing the many faiths, who journey there to worship. Back and forth they pass in processions, holding candles and singing, as they visit sacred crypts, grottos and churches.

That evening a special mass is held in the Church of the Nativity, believed to be the oldest Christian sanctuary in the world. At midnight, church bells rings for miles around calling the celebrants to assemble at Shepherd's Field to sing hymns.

In Sweden, Christmas is celebrated in a different way. Here the Yuletide officially begins on December 13, St. Lucia's Day. Everyone goes outside, carrying lights and singing carols door to door. The ancients believed this day the darkest of the year. Thus man-made brightness is used to dispel the "spirits of darkness."

Then, Christmas itself starts off early the morning of December 25 when—before the family goes to church—a daughter of the house, dressed at St. Lucia, visits each bedroom. Robed in white, she wears on her head a wreath of whortleberry leaves encircled with lighted candles, and carries a tray of coffee and special Lucia cakes.

In Denmark, Christmas is celebrated—not on December 25—but on Christmas Eve. Late that afternoon, all work ceases, church bells peal, and people flock to the churches that have been festively lighted and decorated with fragrant green pines.

After services, men and women, young and old, return home for a traditional Christmas Eve dinner,

after which they join hands and move around the gaily-decorated Christmas tree, singing old Christmas hymns.

In neighboring Norway, Christmas is celebrated still another way. Here, besides the traditional customs, animals are given extra rations since they witnessed the birth of Christ. Also, some peasants still attach large bundles of oats to sticks and put them on roofs to chase away evil spirits. The theory is that the green rods and crops are effective helpers against the "evil one."

In the United States, Christmas is also celebrated in many ways. Sending greeting cards to friends and loved ones at this time of year has become a tradition.

One widely-used card has special meaning. It is sent by Lutheran ministers over the nation to their church members in military service far from home. For the past eleven years the practice has been carried on with more than 800,000 of the uniquely designed Christmas Cards sent out.

Made available by the National Lutheran Council's Division of Service to Military Personnel, these cards are actually 12-page booklets. They not only tell the story of Christmas, but also enable the servicemen who receive them to have their own private Christmas devotional wherever they may be stationed.

Strikingly illustrated, the pages of this year's card contain such features as the story in words and pictures of the birth of Christ, lyrics and music to "Silent Night" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and scenes of a modern Christmas as well as prayers. On one page pastors write personal messages to their members in uniform.

This year, according to the National Lutheran Council, more than 70,000 of these Christmas Cards will be mailed.

South of the border in Mexico, religious-social celebrations called Posadas are familiar throughout the country. "Posada" means lodging or shelter in Spanish. However, "Posadas" now is the collective term given in Mexico to the nine days of celebration with which Mexicans commemorate Joseph and Mary's difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

Across the Atlantic in Spain, Christmas ceremonies begin early in December. Here the religious focal point is the "Belenes" or "Nacimientos"—the nativity scene—which holds a place of honor in every home. Weeks before, street vendors sell clay, wood, and cardboard figures representing the Holy Family, shepherds, and animals in the manger. Then each family goes to work to make its nativity scene as beautiful and traditional as possible. Prizes are given for the best representations.

In France, Christmas is celebrated by religious processions,

steeped in tradition, and attended by people from all over the world.

A Baux, for example, a centuries-old ceremony is repeated each Christmas Eve. A shepherd brings into the ancient St. Vincent's Church a new-born lamb that is placed in a grotto where the figure of the Infant Jesus lies in a creche.

In the Netherlands, the Christmas celebration centers around the home. After attending church services on Christmas Eve, the family returns home, enjoys a traditional dinner, then sits around the tree re-telling stories of Christmas in an atmosphere of peace and happiness.

In nearby Switzerland, in some provinces the children await the arrival of the Christ Kindli—the little Christ child always depicted in white, varying a magic wand, and wearing a shining crown.

In other provinces, they look for St. Niklaus who with his servant Schutzi, not only distributes gifts to them, but also looks up their good and bad deeds in a book and if they have been bad warns them to be good.

Polish "Star-boys" roam the countryside on Christmas Day portraying the wise men of the East and performing the drama of the Nativity.

In England, many Christmas traditions go back to ancient times. At Dewsbury in Yorkshire, Christmas Eve is the time for the unusual custom of "Tolling the Devil's Knell." Performed for more than 700 years, this involves tolling the bells of the local church—this year 1,964 times—the Devil supposedly perishing on the final stroke.

In the Phillipines the Christmas celebration begins on December 16, when the first of a novena of masses is sung. Called *misa de gallo* (mass of the rooster) because it started so early, this ceremony was originally a farmer's mass, participated in by pious farmers who congregated before leaving for the rice fields at dawn.

And so it goes. From the lighted processions in Europe to the South Sea Islands, where the carols come out with a Polynesian beat and Santa's reindeer are replaced by canoes, Christmas is celebrated all around the world. But *how* it's done depends on where you are.

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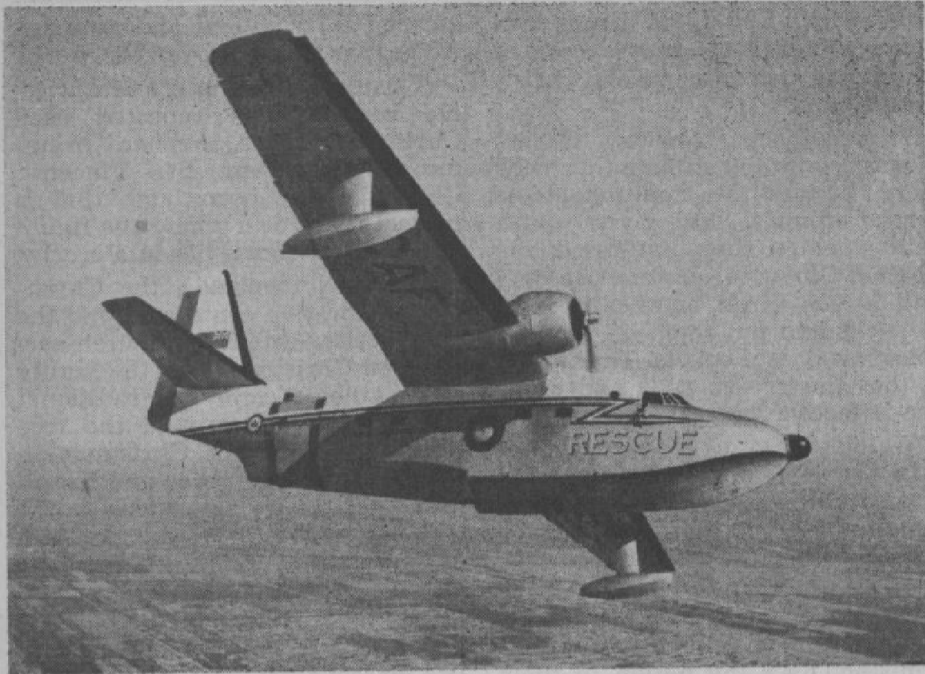
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## THE CHAPLAIN'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MESSAGES

PADRES C. H. WHITE—  
I. A. RAEBURN-GIBSON

Once upon a time a very young angel was being shown around the splendours and glories of the universes by a senior and experienced angel. To tell the truth, the little angel was beginning to be tired and a little bored. He had been shown whirling galaxies and blazing suns, infinite distances in the deathly cold of interstellar space, and to his mind there seemed to be an awful lot of it all. Finally he was shown the galaxy of which our planetary system is but a small part. As the two of them drew near to the star which we call our sun and to its circling planets, the senior angel pointed to a small and rather insignificant sphere turning very slowly on its axis. It looked as dull as a dirty tennis-ball to the little angel, whose mind was filled with the size and glory of what he had seen.

"I want you to watch that one particularly," said the senior angel, pointing with his finger.

"Well, it looks very small and rather dirty to me," said the little angel. "What's special about that one?"

"That," replied his senior solemnly, "is the Visited Planet."

"Visited?" said the little one. "You don't mean visited by—?"

Indeed I do. That ball, which I have no doubt looks to you small and insignificant and not perhaps overclean, has been visited by our young Prince of Glory." And at these words he bowed his head reverently.

"But how?" queried the younger one. "Do you mean that our great and glorious Prince, with all these wonders and splendours of His Creation, and millions more that I'm sure I haven't seen yet, went down in Person to this fifth-rate little ball? Why should He do a thing like that?"

"It isn't for us," said his senior a little stiffly, "to question His 'why's', except that I must point out to you that He is not impressed by size and numbers, as you seem to be. But that He really went, I know, and all of us in Heaven who know anything know that. As to why He became one of them—how else do you suppose He could visit them?"

The little angel's face wrinkled in disgust.

"Do you mean to tell me," he said, "that He stooped so low as to become one of those creeping, crawling creatures of that floating ball?"

"I do, and I don't think He would like you to call them 'creeping, crawling creatures' in that tone of voice. For, strange as it may seem to us He loves them. He went



down to visit them to lift them up to become like Him."

The little angel looked blank. Such a thought was almost beyond his comprehension.

"Close your eyes for a moment," said the senior angel, "and we will go back in what they call Time."

While the little angel's eyes were closed and the two of them moved nearer to the spinning ball, it stopped its spinning, spun backwards quite fast for a while, and then slowly resumed its usual rotation.

"Now look!" And as the little angel did as he was told, there appeared here and there on the dull surface of the globe little flashes of light, some merely momentary and some persisting for quite a time.

"Well, what am I seeing now?" queried the little angel.

"You are watching this little world as it was thousands of years ago," returned his companion. "Every flash and glow of light that you see is something of the Father's knowledge and wisdom breaking into the minds and hearts of people who live upon the earth. Not many people, you see, can hear His Voice or understand what He says, even though He is speaking gently and quietly to them all the time."

"Why are they so blind and deaf and stupid?" asked the junior angel rather crossly.

"It is not for us to judge them. We who live in the Splendour have no idea what it like to live in the dark—We hear the music and the Voice like the sound of many waters every day of our lives, but to them—well, there is much darkness and much noise and much distraction upon the earth. Only a few who are quiet and humble and wise hear His Voice. But watch, for in a

moment you will see something truly wonderful."

The Earth went on turning and circling round the sun, and then quite suddenly, in the upper half of the globe, there appeared a light, tiny but so bright in its intensity that both the angels hid their eyes.

"I think I can guess," said the little angel in a low voice. "That was the Visit, wasn't it?"

"Yes, that was the Visit. The Light Himself went down there and lived among them; but in a moment, and you will be able to tell that even with your eyes closed, the light will go out."

"But why? Could He not bear their darkness and stupidity? Did He have to return here?"

"No, it wasn't that," returned the senior angel. His voice was stern and sad. "They failed to recognise Him for Who He was—or at least only a handful knew Him. For the most part they preferred their darkness to His Light, and in the end they killed Him."

"The fools, the crazy fools! They don't reserve—"

"Neither you nor I, nor any other angel, knows why they were so foolish and so wicked. Nor can we say what they deserve or don't deserve. But the fact remains, they killed our Prince of Glory while He was Man amongst them."

"And that I suppose was the end? I see the whole Earth has gone black and dark. All right, I won't judge them, but surely that is all they can expect?"

"Wait, we are still far from the end of the story of the Visited Planet. Watch now, but be ready to cover your eyes again."

In utter blackness the earth turned round three times, and then

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PADRE G. E. GRANT

When God became Man there was revolution, reform and renewal at the core of the human world.

No wonder we started counting the years all over again. Christ started something new—a new heaven and a new earth: a new heaven because where God is, there is heaven; a new earth because of the radical changes in man who rules and subdues the earth. The Incarnation did not necessarily mean that there would be better improved man, with nicer manners. It means a whole world of brand new men, transformed elevated to a new level of nature. . . . (The Art of Being Human).

By his coming into this world Christ established the rules by which men can live at peace with one another. These rules are not only a part of the code according to which individuals must save their own immortal souls; they are also the only foundation on which temporal prosperity and peace can be built in this world.

When the angels sang at the nativity, "Peace on earth to Men of good will," they meant that peace would be found only by human beings who would accept and apply the principles which Christ would offer to govern their relationships with one another.

The greatest of these principles is that of Charity. It means compassion for the underprivileged and the suffering in one's own community, but in spirit and sometimes in action extending to suffering humanity anywhere in the world. It means resisting every inclination to prejudice against other human beings, whether on the basis of nationality, race, color, religion, social standing or education.

It means forgiveness of enemies, no matter how deep the wounds or how lasting the injuries they may have inflicted.

It is a bit sobering to realize that my "good will" is going to be measured by my attitude towards the man I can't stand: towards the woman who always gets in my hair; towards the family who destroys the peace of the neighborhood.

Christmas is the time for examining one's conscience as to how much right one really has to celebrate the birth of the Saviour. If the right has been renounced in any way by failing to live up to this all embracing principle of Christian Charity, it can be regained by surrendering to Christ on Christmas and by Christian living daily through the year. Only such surrender makes "Men of good will" to whom peace on earth is promised.

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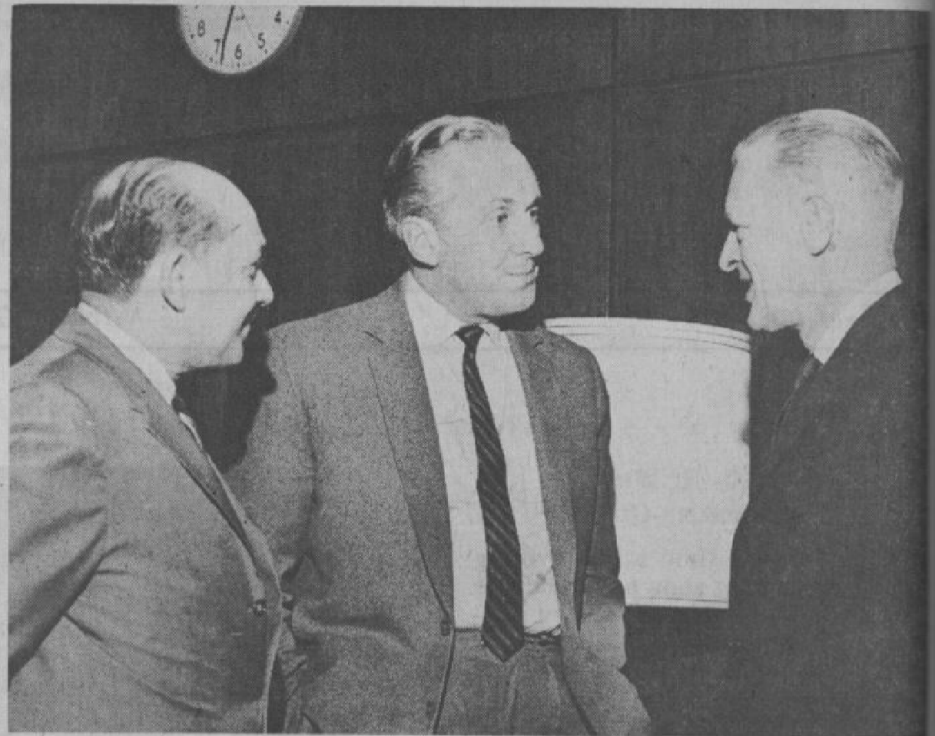
Holy Communion—9 a.m.  
Carol Service of Lessons—11 a.m.  
Sunday School as usual.

## CHRISTMAS DAY — 11 A.M.

Children's Service—6:30 p.m.  
Worship and Communion—11:30 p.m.

## SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
11 a.m.—Family Service.  
Sunday School for pre-school and Nursery only, at the Chapel.



"Double Your Money" quizmaster Hughie Green talks with CJAY-TV executives after a taping session. Left to right are Mr. R. E. Allan, Marketing Supervisor, Mr. Green, and Mr. Jack Davidson, General Manager of CJAY.

## RCAF MEMBER ON "DOUBLE YOUR MONEY"

Mr. Hughie Green, master of ceremonies and quizmaster of CTV's "Double Your Money", was unable to award a European trip to an RCAF mother from Winnipeg, last week. But she'll get another chance.

Mr. Green's program, which appears Friday nights on CJAY-TV, offers Trans-Atlantic trips to persons whose names are drawn from a lucky travel drum and who come up with correct answers to qualifying question. A contestant who fails in the answers, has a second chance through the person overseas whom they planned to visit. The friend is brought to London, England, to answer a similar question routine. If the friend answers correctly, the Canadian contestant wins a trip.

Mrs. L. Davis of 173 Humbolt, St. Vital, had an opportunity to win the trip to visit her son, Corporal

R. H. Bogseth of RCAF Station Marville, France. As she was unable to answer her questions, Corporal Bogseth can still win the trip for her by answering his questions correctly.

Corporal Bogseth, his wife and two children have been stationed overseas for 2½ years. He was born in Winnipeg, attended Glenlawn Collegiate in St. Vital, and was a flying scholarship winner in the Air Cadets before joining the Air Force in 1954. If it can be arranged for him to be on the show in London, Corporal Bogseth could win his mother the trip she describes as "a wonderful chance to see my two beautiful grandchildren."

Mr. Green is also associated with the R.C.A.F. He joined the service in 1941 and flew as a pilot with Ferry Command, delivering aircraft to many overseas bases. Mr. Green is still actively engaged in flying, piloting his own aircraft on many business trips.

## PADRE'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

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there blazed with unbearable radiance a point of light.

"What now?" asked the little angel, shielding his eyes.

"They killed Him all right, but He conquered death. The thing most of them dread and fear all their lives He broke and conquerd. He rose again, and a few of them saw Him and from then on became His utterly devoted slaves."

"Thank God for that," said the little angel.

"Amen. Open your eyes now, the dazzling light has gone. The Prince has returned to His Home of Light. But watch the Earth now."

As they looked, in place of the dazzling light there was a bright glow which throbbed and pulsated. And then as the Earth turned many times little points of light spread out. A few flickered and died; but for the most most part the lights burned steadily, and as they continued to watch, in many parts of the globe there was a glow over many areas.

"You see what is happening?" asked the senior angel. "The bright glow is the company of loyal men and women He left behind, and with His help they spread the glow and now lights begin to shine all over the Earth."

"Yes, yes," said the little angel

impatiently, "but how does it end? Will the little lights join up with each other? Will it all be light, as it is in Heaven?"

His senior shook his head. "We simply do not know," he replied. "It is in the Father's hands. Sometimes it is agony to watch and sometimes it is joy unspeakable. The end it not yet. But now I am sure you can see why this little ball is so important. He has visited it; He is working out His Plan upon it."

"Yes, I see, though I don't understand. I shall never forget that this is the Visited Planet."

The story you have just read is called "The Angels' Point of View". It is written in a pocket-book by J. B. Phillips (New Testament Christianity). When the editor asked us for something for the Christmas issue we looked for something that would give a fresh perspective on life. Phillips comments on this story, "Imaginery? Fanciful? Certainly, but a good deal truer than some of our current modern thinking. We may not realize it, but we are right plumb in the middle of a vast drama, a tremendous battle between light and darkness. The whole core and essence of the Christian Faith, which many of us hold so lightly, is that Light Himself visited our darkness, scaled down to fit the human scene."

## Catholic Women's League

Our December meeting was a very gala affair being one of our Pot Luck (?) Suppers. The girls really outdid themselves in the cooking department and the 34 members who attended, went home a few pounds heavier. Many thanks to the Food Committee who worked so hard to make this the success it was.

Thanks also to the Protestant Guild who so graciously loaned us their meeting room.

There will not be a meeting until Feb. when we hope to see you all.

The Country Store and Raffles held at the first Turkey Bingo were very successful. Our thanks to all who donated gifts and a special

thanks to Theresa McKenzill and the girls who worked so very hard to make this possible. The amount of money realized was \$113.55.

To all those who donated, and these are listed below, again thank you.

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*Is There A  
Santa Claus?*

## HOW TO POP CORN

$\frac{1}{4}$  cup corn oil  
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Heat corn oil in 4-quart kettle  
over medium heat about 3 minutes.  
Add popcorn. Cover, leaving small

# Is There A Santa Claus?

By ELEANOR CHARBONNEAU

Mom is there a Santa Claus?  
I've just got to know.  
The big boy in our room at school,  
Says it really isn't so.

He says there's no such person,  
And he almost made me cry.  
Because he said that you Mom,  
Just told me one big lie.

And he said, it's really Daddy,  
Who comes on Christmas night,  
For there's no such thing as Santa,  
Now Mommy, is he right?

Son, sit down with me,  
It's time we talked a while,  
First wipe away those tears,  
And let me see a smile.

Of course there is a Santa,  
And Mommy wouldn't lie.  
Now listen very closely,  
For there's no need to cry.

Now you know Mommy told you,  
About Jesus in the hay,  
And because of this blessed baby,  
There is a Christmas day.

And you know about the wise men,  
Who came from distance far,  
To give their gifts, to Jesus,  
Who lay beneath the star.

Well, this is why we give, son,  
Our gifts to love and cheer.  
This is how we honour,  
Christ's birthday every year.

And since he is not here son,  
To give our offerings to,  
We give them to our neighbors,  
As he would have us do.

As for Santa, he's a spirit,  
You can't see him, but he's there,  
And as long as you know this son,  
Why should you really care.

For he does exist in Daddy,  
He exists in Mommy too,  
He's the part of Christmas,  
For little boys like you.

Thanks to Victoria Times,

Victoria, B.C.



## HOW TO POP CORN

$\frac{1}{4}$  cup corn oil  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup popcorn, (unpopped)

Heat corn oil in 4-quart kettle over medium heat about 3 minutes. Add popcorn. Cover, leaving small air space at edge of cover. Shake frequently until popping stops. (If using electric popper, follow manufacturer's directions.) Turn into large pan. Discard any unpopped grains. This makes 3 to 4 quarts. Repeat as needed but do not double recipe.

## POPCORN WREATH

$1\frac{3}{4}$  cups light corn syrup  
 $1\frac{3}{4}$  cups sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
4 quarts popped corn  
Gumdrops, candies or licorice for decorations

Mix syrup, sugar and salt in a heavy saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to a full boil and sugar and salt are dissolved. Place popcorn in large kettle, then gradually add syrup, stirring constantly over medium heat until evenly and completely coated with syrup mixture, 3 to 5 minutes. When popcorn mixture is cool enough to handle, shape on wax paper into wreaths—5 to 6 inches in diameter for hanging and about 9 inches in diameter for centerpiece on table. Or, for a 12 to 14 inch wreath, use a florist wreath base.

Wrap wreath base with foil or waxed paper. Pack popcorn mixture over wreath base, making mixture as uniform as possible. Let harden. Decorate with gumdrops, candies, licorice, angelica or with artificial leaves, if desired.

*Popcorn trees* Tint syrup mixture with green food coloring and flavour with essence of peppermint or wintergreen before adding popcorn. Pack green popcorn mixture into lightly greased small funnel. Remove funnel when popcorn is cool and set. Attach large gumdrop to base of tree with toothpick for stand. Decorate tree with small coloured candies for balls.

*Popcorn Snowman:* Make 3 popcorn balls, 1 large, 1 medium, 1 small and 2 very small popcorn logs. Stack popcorn balls on top of each other, largest on bottom and smallest on top. Decorate small ball with a large gumdrop for hat, and red cinnamon candy for eyes and mouth. Arrange a few of candies down front of snowman for buttons. Attach logs to sides for arms.

**VOXAIR VEXER**

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17. Dared
18. Felonious
20. Jurist's gown
21. Press item
23. Dedicate
24. Poorly
25. Furs
27. Sleuth (slang)
28. Split
30. Patrolman's route
32. Bereaved
35. Furniture wood
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39. Signifying maiden name
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44. Manager of another's affairs
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1. Printed in red
2. Register
3. Steady
4. Small bay
5. Rubber tree
6. Actor Albert
7. The short hairs
8. Blunder
9. Girl in a mopcap
10. Relinquishment of a right
11. Not guilty

12. Annoying insect
13. Auction
19. Joined
22. Seize
25. Dignified
26. Season
29. Lack of clarity
31. Green sod
33. Professional charge
34. Athletic shirt
36. Mend
38. Appearance
40. Peculiar
41. Narrow inlet
42. Bank dividend
43. Social climber
45. Untidy house
48. Soup vessels
51. Loath
53. Set up lines
55. Pillage
56. Binder
57. Fathers
59. Dine
61. Mild medical acid
63. Nut used as soda flavor
64. Hot place
65. Undraped
67. Highlander
69. Bank trouble
71. Period



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- GYM** — Open from 1300-1600 and 1900-2100 on following dates: Dec. 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 3 Jan. Closed on all other dates.
- BOWLING ALLEYS** — Mon. 21 Dec.—1830-2130  
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 Wed. 30 Dec.—1830-2130  
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 Sun. 3 Jan.—1330-1630  
 Closed—24, 25, 26 and 31 Dec. and 1, 2, Jan.
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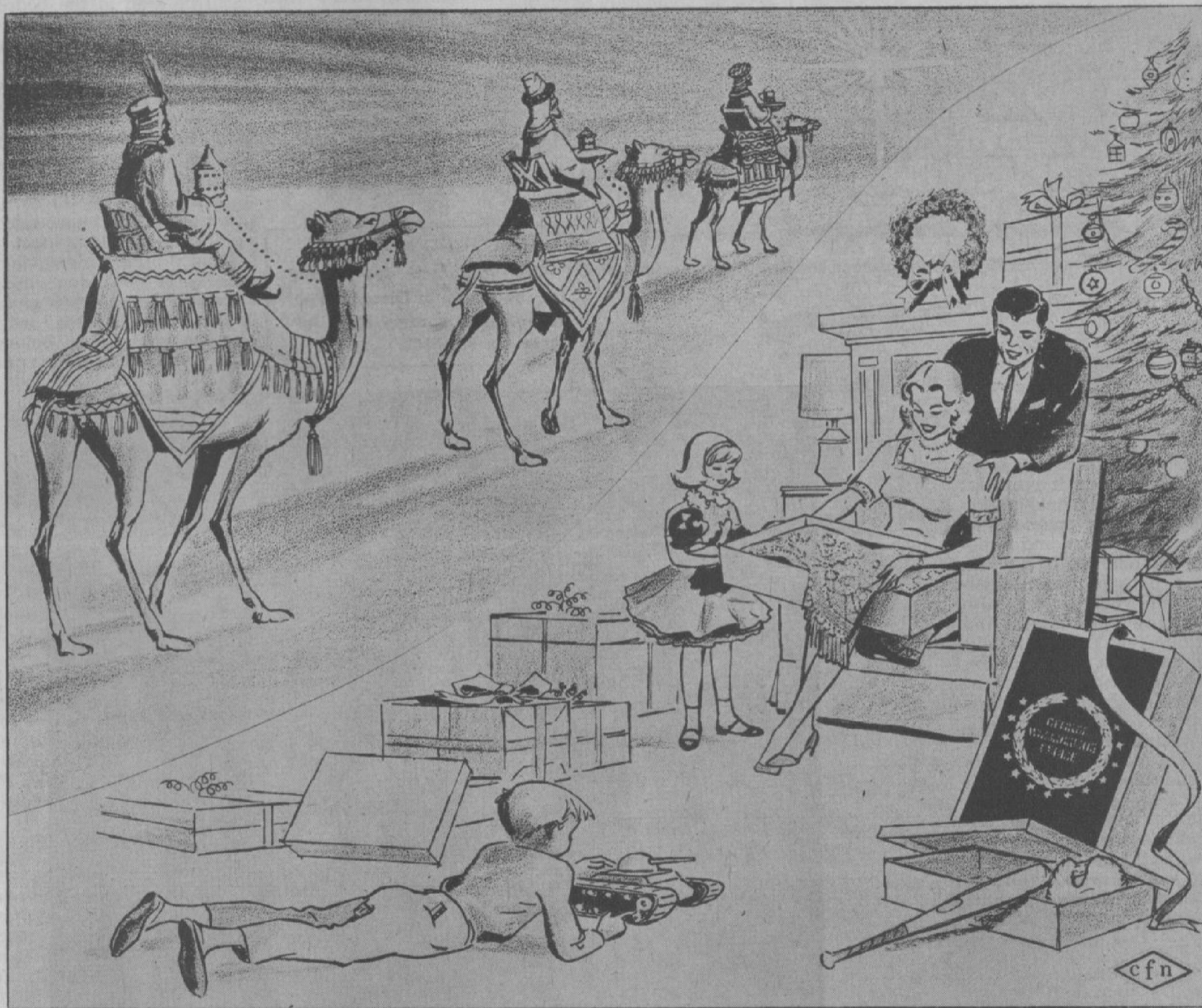
The Conservation Club reminds you to use safety with tree decorations and to plan ahead for Christmas! What to buy Dad, a gift for Mom, food and refreshments for Christmas Day, friends visiting, the fun of decorating the tree and the rush for last minute gifts. This is the happy confusion and excitement of Christmastime. A time of joy and gift-giving and a time for extra safety in regards to fire. Be sure to check your Christmas lights for frayed wires. Keep the tree away from sources of heat. And always keep the trunk of the tree in water to avoid drying out. The Conservation Club wish you one and all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.



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# Christmas — A Time For Giving



Ever since the Three Wise Men carried their precious offerings of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the manger in Bethlehem, the giving of gifts has been part and parcel of Christmas.

The friendly, generous idea of Christmas gifts is the same everywhere. Only the person who brings the gifts differs. And he's believed by children and enjoyed by adults everywhere.

In America, of course, it's Santa Claus—our jolly, tubby version of St. Nicholas. In England, it's the same white-bearded gentleman, but there he's called Father Christmas.

In some parts of France and Switzerland, the Christ Child himself distributes the presents. In France, he's known as Petit Noel or Le Petit Jesus. In Scandinavian countries, the Tomte, kindly gnomes like brownies, carry bas-

kets of gifts. And in Russia, it's Grandfather Frost.

All over the world, for hundreds of years, the spirit of Christmas gift giving has brought out the warm and generous qualities in countless people.

Because it takes only seconds to open a present, many countries have devised elaborate and suspenseful games to prolong the joy of gift giving. In Holland, Christmas presents are disguised and hidden. Some are even baked in loaves of bread. A rhyme with each gift hints at what is inside and who it is for. Usually the gift has many wrappings with a different name for each—and one gift may change hands several times. The longer it takes to find the right owner, the greater is the surprise.

In Mexico, fragile earthen jars—filled with nuts, candies and

goodies—are prettily disguised and decorated with tissue paper and tinsels. Children are blind-folded; each is given a club and three chances to break the jars. When a jar is shattered, a shower of fruits, gifts and candies fill the room, and everyone scrambles to gather what he can.

In the days of George Washington, Christmas festivities in America were as varied as the countries from which the colonists came. English Christmas customs were foremost in Virginia, Maryland, and Georgia. In New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, the customs came from Holland, Sweden and Germany. The Moravian Germans observed Christmas as purely religious. The Quakers near Philadelphia did not observe holidays, and in New England the whole idea of Christmas

was frowned upon. Indeed, the Puritans were bitterly opposed to it.

In those early days, gifts were almost always carefully made by hand. Imagine the fine work and detail that would go into a hand-woven and embroidered bedspread or shawl—now wonder they were handed down from generation to generation as beloved heirlooms.

Among certain colonists, gifts were given only to the children, who would place their shoes and stockings in a strategic spot for Santa before going to bed. The next morning they would look midst great excitement to see what Santa had left.

Children always played an important part at Christmas with the Washingtons. Martha was a young widow when she married George

(Continued on page 18)

# Pen Points To Personality

We are again prepared to accept samples of handwriting for analysis and publication in this column. A sample should consist of at least four lines of natural writing on unlined paper. Sign the sample with a pen-name and enclose your own name and address on a separate sheet of paper. Pam requires to know whether the writer is male or female, and your age, if under 21 or over 60. Any unsuitable samples will be destroyed by the Editor. Address all samples to the

Editor, Voxair, R.C.A.F. Station Winnipeg, Westwin, Manitoba.

*By  
Pam  
Pawlak*



*At Christmas it seems only fair to give you a chance to get even, so here is a sample of my own handwriting - I hope I haven't taught you too much! May I take this opportunity to wish you, one and all, a very Happy Christmas, and everything you wish for yourself in the year to come!*

*Pam Pawlak*

## SINGLE OFFICERS HOST ORPHANS

On Sunday 13 Dec the Bachelor Officers of Stn Winnipeg acted as hosts for twenty-seven children from St. Joseph's Vocational School.

Arriving at 111KU, in the afternoon, the children were given a tour of the Search and Rescue Hangar, high-lighted by a walk-through of a Dakota.

From 111KU the group proceeded to the Recreation Centre for swimming and bowling.

The tour was climaxed at the Officer's Mess where soft drinks were served and cartoons were shown. The children were then served dinner followed by presentation of a gift to each child.



## MARCHING MOTHERS

Ten volunteers are needed for the March of Dimes, 1 Feb. 1965. Please contact Mrs. Jefferies at 832-5902.

## A TIME FOR GIVING

(Continued from page 17)

Washington in 1759, bringing her two small children Patty and Jack into the family circle. Then, in 1781, when Jack died of camp fever, the couple took in his two small children and reared them as their own.

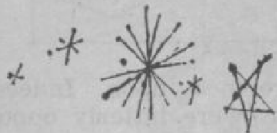
Whenever possible, George and Martha celebrated Christmas at their Mount Vernon home, in which they lived in great style. The house and out-buildings have been preserved in all their original beauty. Counterpanes very similar to the George Washington's Choice bedspread created by Bates can still be seen in the bedrooms.

Although Washington seemed somewhat cold and formal to the public, he was always warm and relaxed with his family and friends. He loved dancing, parties and his dinner table, and Mount Vernon, especially during the Christmas season, was constantly overflowing with guests.

Christmas in the U.S. has changed a great deal since our beginnings, but one fact has not changed—the undeniable fact that the Three Wise Men were the very first Christmas gift givers. They began a tradition that has grown to be one of the most beloved of all the delightful traditions of Christ-

## "Lynn"

You are a very sensitive person, and feel things deeply, the way you feel shows, although you do not necessarily express it verbally; but you have a lively imagination which works on your emotions, so that you are easily hurt, and sometimes you retaliate with sarcasm or "carry a chip on your shoulder". However your writing also shows sympathy and kindness and a sense of humour. You are intelligent and have an investigating mind, but you do not care to concentrate steadily for long periods of time, rather you appear to work in spurts taking frequent breaks. You have your share of women's intuition and ideas will come to you easily. You have many interests and desires and are rather materialistic, you are both thrifty and acquisitive, but you do not lack generosity, and show an effort to control both your desires and your emotions, and your will-power is good.



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# 16 HANGAR NEWS

By DICK GINTER

A recent visitor to the hangar was old Dan Cupid, we have, consequently, two marriages to report.

LAC Ralph Akerstream, of I&E Sect, and LAW Carol Anne Jensen, of Stn. HQ, tied the matrimonial knot on 5 Dec.

Ex-VOXAIR photographer, LAC Tom Callaghan, Photo Sect., and Miss Denise Wade, daughter of G/C and Mrs. Wade, of Winnipeg, followed suit on 11 Dec. Best wishes to the newlyweds.

F/O Broadbridge, ARO, Cpl. Jack Brown, Cpl. Ken Coleridge and LAC George Wallace, of Snag Crew have been to Moose Jaw on a Tutor Course. We know they're glad to return to balmy Manitoba.

Going on SIT course and subsequently to good old Camp Borden is Cpl. Murray Dracas, of Stn. Workshops.

Recently released photographer Terry Thompson is now in Los Angeles getting close looks at some famous undercarriages. He sells shoes and undoubtedly has many famous customers. At least he doesn't need a greatcoat, he says; but he did not mention smog masks.

Seems Bernie Grinstead is buying a new '61 Comet, piece by piece. Give us the full story, Bernie.

New arrivals to the hangar are Cpl. R. E. Burke, from Camp Borden, and LAC A. G. McGunigle, from Vancouver. Mac is recovering from a seven-month relapse on civvy street. Welcome to Winnipeg.

Cpl. Fred Kerr, ex-Telecom, is quite content in his new position with Minneapolis-Honeywell in Toronto.

Fond farewell to a former regular in the hangar, FS Crozier, who will be leaving for Trenton after the holiday season. LAC R. A. Sward is trying for a better groove on civvy street. He leaves in Jan. too. We wish them both well.

Cpl. Bill McCulloch, the Jack Paar of Tech Lib, is moving on to servicing for the new year. We hope he will return occasionally to regale us with more of his interesting and amusing stories.

Honours for a very successful Christmas party were earned by hard working FS Bill Drennan and his Maint-Wing entertainment committee. We hope the aura of Peace and Goodwill induced will endure for all through Christmas and the New Year.

## ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD

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# Seasons' Greetings to Station Winnipeg

As neighbours of Station Winnipeg, in St. James it has been our good fortune in 1964, as in previous years to be of service to many RCAF personnel.

To all our Air Force customers, we wish a neighbourly "Merry Xmas and a Prosperous 1965."

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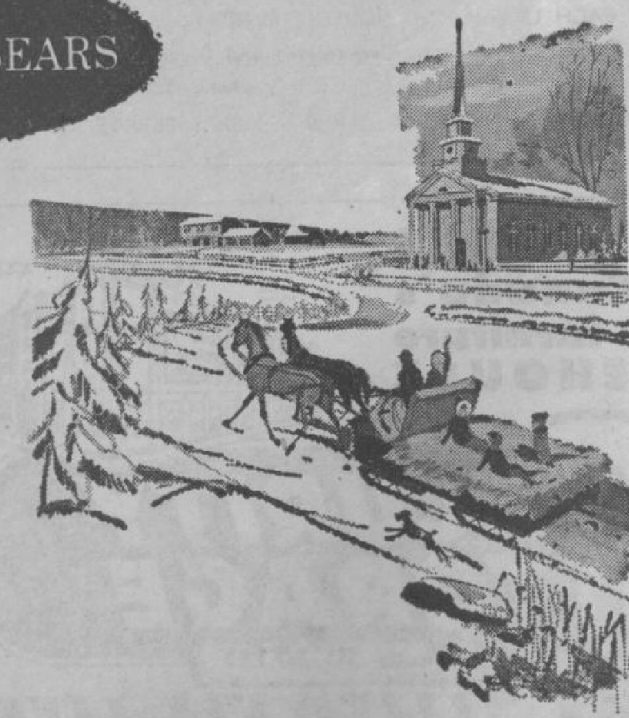
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# Hack-line Huddle



By K.P.

## JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Junior League is currently battling for the Red River Trophy. Four divisions are involved with the RCAF lads in C Division. The following rinks are competing:

Lord—Morrice — LaRush — Barrett — Keating.

In games against the Grain Exchange the lads snaffled 8 out of a possible 10 points for a very good showing. The games originally scheduled for the RCAF rink on 2 Jan 65 have been rescheduled for the Granite Club starting at 1800 hrs.

## LADIES CURLING

This past week has been one for big ends, and when a rink is three down going home, and the skip calls for a six ender and GETS IT to win the game, well... This happened for Iris Magura's team Tuesday morning.

Thursday morning, the last game of the Silver "D" play downs was played and Helen Lord's team came up with a seven ender. This calls for a case of 7 Up for each member of the team. Helen won the game and will represent our club in the city play-off. Good luck girls.

This week ends curling 'till after the Christmas holiday. Oh yes Girls, our day has been changed from Thursday to Wednesday afternoon. Skips will be notified with details.

## BRITISH CONSOLS ZONE PLAYDOWNS

The Executive Council of the Manitoba Curling Association at a meeting held last spring established Manitoba's curling playdown system which will be in effect for a two year period.

The Council approved a completely revamped zonal alignment

of curling clubs throughout rural Manitoba, a total of 56 qualifying rinks for the Metro Winnipeg zones, representation in all zones according to number of registered curlers per club, and a uniform double knockout method of play to be employed within zone play-downs.

The final provincial playdown will consist of 32 rinks, an increase of 12 from former years. Qualifying will be 14 rural zone winners, seven Metro Winnipeg zone victors, the eight semi-finalists in the Birk's and Eaton's competitions of the MCA bonspiel, and three representatives from as-yet-to-be-selected rural bonspiels. It will be staged alternate years between Winnipeg and a rural location, starting one week later than usual at the Winnipeg Arena in 1965. 1 Feb 65 will be the start of the 77th MCA Bonspiel.

The most significant change put into force is representation in zone playdowns based on club membership. Previously, each MCA registered club entered one rink in its respective zone competition. Under the new system, larger populated curling clubs will have two, three, or in one case five rinks eligible to compete for the 21 zone positions. The RCAF Winnipeg Curling Club has been allotted two positions.

Our President, Al Sather, states that the Curling Club playdowns to determine our Club representatives will take place the week of 21 Dec. There will be three draws each evening and all games will be 10 ends. A maximum of 24 entries will be permitted. Two events will be held with the winner of each being a Club representative. All 24 teams will be in each event and

two losses will knock out a team. The entry fee for these play-downs is \$5.00 per team, the revenue will be used to outfit the Club representatives with sweaters suitably crested.

## INTERCLUB CURLING

Last Saturday evening two rinks from Rossmere visited our Club and did battle with Ron Merriam and Del Hanson. Both visiting teams won their games.

## MERRIAM vs FAROUGH

Ron Merriam had a close game against Farough losing 7-6. The first end was blanked and Ron picked up two in second end. In the third end Ron had a rock biting the back twelve foot circle but Farough took it out and went out himself with his last rock. The roof fell in on Ron on the fifth end when both he and his third missed crucial shots and Farough picked up a big four. The six end was a bad one for Ron when he gave up two when he missed a draw shot. Merriam picked up two in the seventh and a single in the ninth to tie the game. Farough coming home with last rock picked up a single to win the game.

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## HANSON vs WEBB

Chas Webb and Del Hanson had quite a battle in a high scoring game with Webb coming out on top with a 11-9 score. Chas Webb took an early lead picking up doubles in the first two ends. Webb had a formidable house built up against Del in the third end but Del drew to the four foot and Webb missed a takeout. Del drew his second rock and picked up two. In the six end Webb missed a draw shot with his last rock and gave up a big four. However, he got right back in the game in the seventh end when he took four from Hanson, picked up a single in the eighth but Webb came back with three in the ninth which finished the game for Hanson.

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## REGULAR LEAGUE

The end of the second round in A B and C Groups brought forth some rather nerve tingling finishes and in some cases the shocks were no less surprising than Pearl Harbour was exactly 23 years earlier. In A Group Keating and Merriam battled to a 12-12 tie and surprises were rampant on both sides as the 10th end came to a close. With Keating 3 up coming home it looked as if he had the game in the bag, however, a couple of key misses set the stage for a grandstand finish. When Merriam came up to throw the last and final rock of the end he was counting three with a possible biter and needed only a draw anywhere in the house to win the game. He wisely played against one of his own rocks for backing but the shot glanced off and rolled to the back of the house and appeared to be another biter. A subsequent measure proved, by a hairsbreadth that neither one was bting and Merriam was forced to settle for a tie.

For the want of a sweeper behind the T-line Merriam could easily have chalked up a win.

In B Group Curly Lord Jumped to a 5-0 lead over Thureier after 3 ends and played it cozy from there on for a win. The game of the group developed belatedly between Batchelor and Latour. Batch scored 4 in the 7th to jump to a one point lead, however, Latour scored a six ender in the 7th to go 5 up. At this point the game appeared out of reach and going into the 9th end Latour had increased his lead to 6 points. Batchelor with half a mind to call it quits came roaring back to score a 5 ender and narrow the gap to one point. Coming home with last rock against him Batchelor managed to bury one and tied the game 12 to 12 for very stirring finish.

In C Group, a bitter battle developed between Taylor and Baldwinson with both sides resorting

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to blank ends to gain an advantage. Taylor gained the victory however when Baldwin slipped through with his last rock to leave Taylor lying one and breaking the tie.

The start of the Third round saw quite a few changes in the standings. Const Hanson of the RCMP took over the lead in A Group closely followed by Merriam, Lord and McDowell. Latour heads B Group—McArter C Group—Diepold D Group—Brosch E Group and Miller F Group. The most spectacular jump occurred when "Killer" Kane moved from F to B Group and in addition actually has accumulated more grand aggregate points than the last four teams in A Group.

At this time it would be pointed out that the points beside the names on the third round schedule are aggregate points amassed during the second round only. The position of the rinks in each group was determined by adding points earned during the first round. Consequently a rink in any one group can have a higher aggregate score than a rink in a higher group.

Curling in the Third round started on Tuesday marred only by one defaulted game in D Group. In E Group Savage and McCowan battled to the first tie of the round. McKillop defeated Graham although some controversy existed whether or not the 10th end should be played as the bell sounded just as the 9th end was getting underway. In F Group the Inkster girls looked as if they had finally hit their stride against Hampton but Dame Fortune was not looking over their shoulder. A Group came up with some excellent curling to start their third round. Curling Lord was tied by McDowell and Powell was tied by Charles. Other games in this group were decided on the last rock. In the overall pictures it now appears most rinks have settled into their rightful groups and some excellent curling is in store for the prospective spectator.

**MIXED LEAGUE**

The second round in the Mixed League got under way on the 13 Dec. For this round a change in the point system was belatedly instituted. In the first round there was too large a point spread between A and E Groups in the Win, Loss and Tie Columns. The new system is as follows:

	W	T	L	D
A & B Group	8	5½	3	0
C & B Group	7	4½	2	0
E Group	6	3½	1	0

In some of the games played in the second round "Killer" Kane was having his troubles—this could be attributed to the jaunty angle angle he wears his red (Carlings) Hat. Barnet beat Jeffries and it was Baxter over Wright in what could have turned out to be a real rousing finish if Wright had been able to take out a Baxter rock in the last end. Kostiuk played a delicate take out to tie McDowell.

**OLD CROCKS BONSPIEL**

Just a reminder that entries for the Old Crockks Bonspiel will be accepted up to 20 Dec. 64. Only 15 rinks had entered as of this writing, so get your names in and enjoy the fun. It is hoped to have 32 rinks entered in which case 4 games are guaranteed and there will be lots of prizes. Remember—the more the merrier.

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### "A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF FLYING WING"

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In the line of parties, another Flying Wing party is being organized for the 15th of January, this is a welcome project and it is to be hoped that it will be as much of a success as the first one we had.

The Expeditors are finally down to their last trip and on this occasion it is worth mentioning that two of the Flight Lieutenants on strength at Flying Wing now were among the pilots who flew the first trips on Beechcraft at Winnipeg in 1951; they are F/L Nordman and F/L Brooks. These two have a good number of interesting stories to tell about the early days of ANS in Winnipeg. At that time, I am told, the number of Beechcraft on the unit was not 12, not 15, but 125. Very few pilots were qualified to fly instruments so that often times 15 or 20 aircraft would be flying on the same instrument ticket. One more factor that must have added a lot of color to the operation was the fact that there was no separation between aircraft...

Well it looks as though Flying Wing is finally going to get over the Rocks; at the time this is being written it has yet to become a reality, the aircraft is leaving in the morning, weather permitting. We hope to be able to tell you more about it next week.

It is reported that our Dakota conversion course has its first graduates in F/Os Simpson and Wilson, F/Os Levia and Lamb are coming up for their final rides in the near future. The next course which is starting before Christmas will be made of F/Os Paton, Hamilton McDonald and possibly one more.

Until next time, seasons greetings to all

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### HOCKEY SEASON OPENS



On Thur. 10 Dec. the Inter-service Hockey League began its second year of operation. Brigadier H. Sterne, Commander Manitoba area and W/C L. S. Deyell representing the Commanding Officer RCAF Stn. Winnipeg, are seen dropping the puck in Sargent Park Arena. Cpl. Don Sheppard RCAF and Gunner A. Bell Army are facing off.

### STATION HOCKEY

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With a heavy heart I am forced to report that our league opener was another disaster. We had hoped at this time we could beat them. Our team captain Don Shepherd opened the scoring early in the first period, and we thought that the game was ours. The boys in brown however had other ideas, and wasted no time in tying the score. Later on in the first period Gobiell gave us another ray of hope in a fine play from behind the net. This was to be short lived as we soon found out. The rest of the game that followed was something of a nightmare. Before we knew what was going on the score had reached football heights. Two unconverted touchdowns. The hasn't destroyed our spirit though, and we think that we can overcome this team in enough time to win the league championship.

The Flyers would like to thank W/C Deyell for coming out and taking part in the opening faceoff. We are sorry that we couldn't make a better show of ourselves, sir.

Once again I am sad to report that our supporters were very few in number, two to be exact. The Army showed up at this game with no less than two hundred men. Is this the sort of thing we are to cope with at every game? If it is, then don't look for any hockey trophies

on this unit. I know that there are many hockey fans on this station, so please come out, perhaps with your help we can do the station proud.

Well thats all for this issue, see you next time. In case we should miss, the Flyers would like to wish all a very Merry Christmas.

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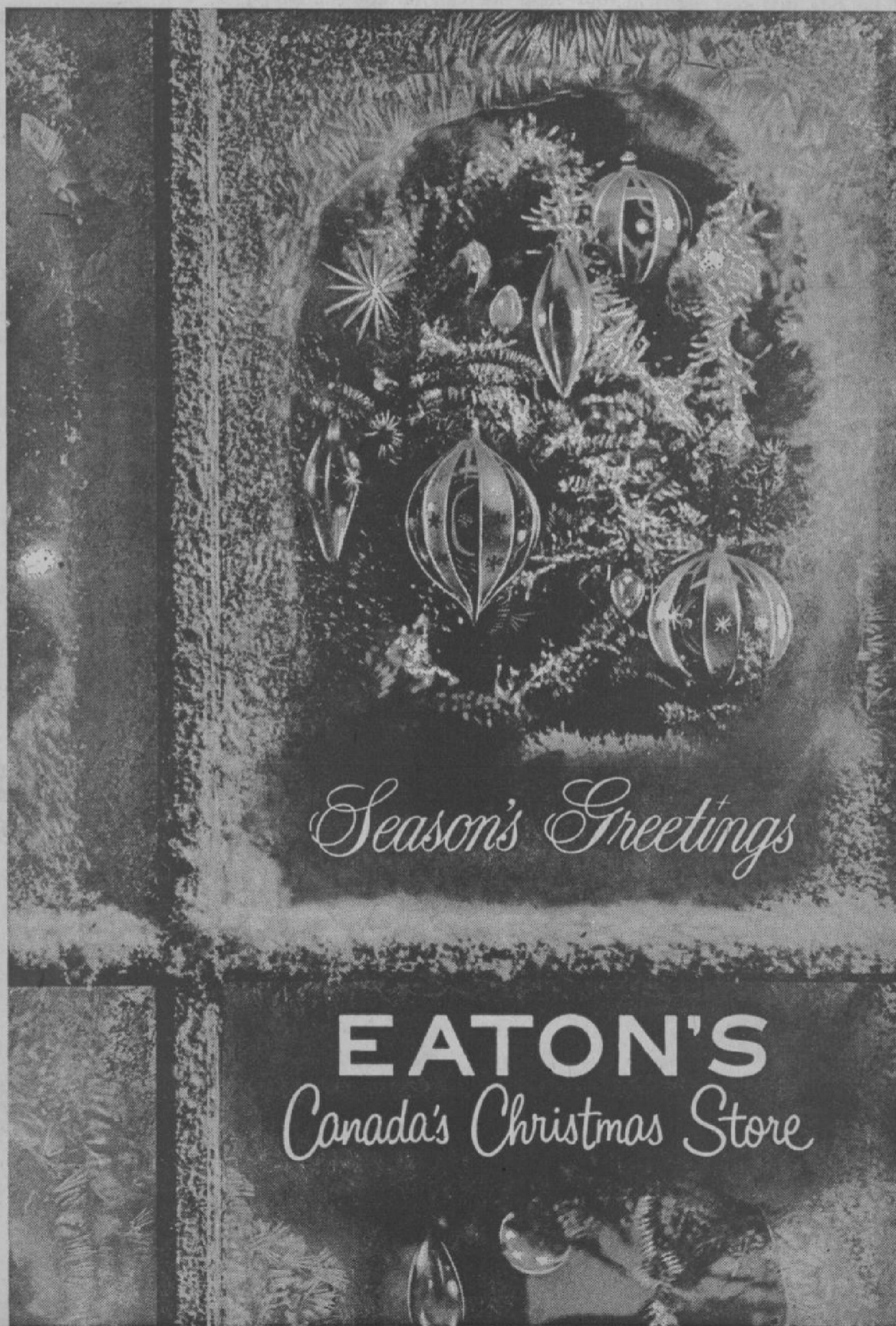
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