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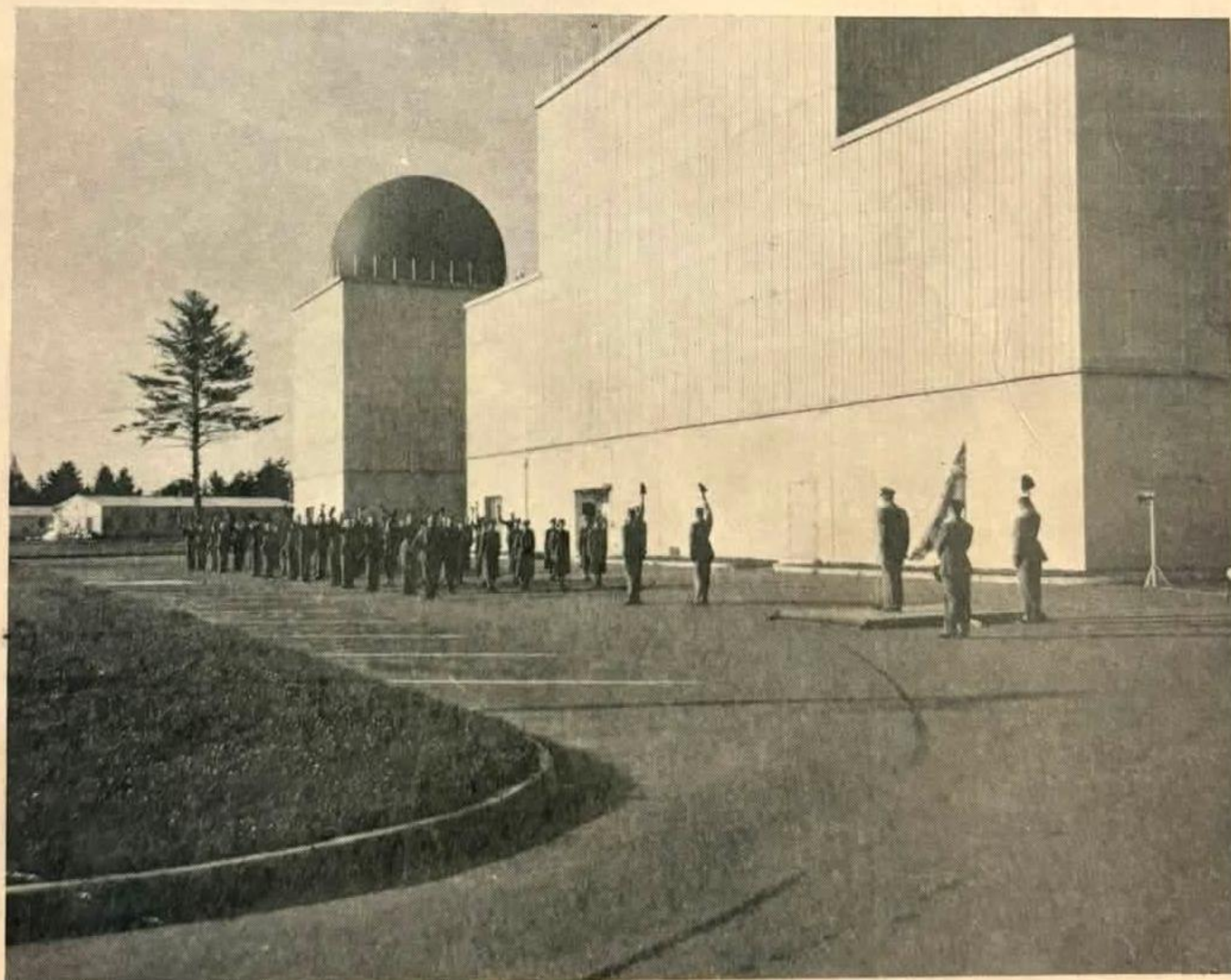
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EDITORIAL

On pages 15 and 16 we give a severely condensed extract from Defence Minister Campney's speech to the House of Commons on June 16.

We reprint parts of the speech, in particular wherein passages pertain to the Air Force, as it will help in forming, for those who may have been vague on the subject, a sound perspective on some of the issues with which we in the Air Force are directly concerned, and in explaining the need for our services in this country's defence.

The Defence Minister, though in no way minimizing the importance of the other Services, stressed the vital role which the Air Force is called upon to play, not only in the Defence of this Continent, but especially in Europe, where our Forces are said to be of a quality second to none among the NATO group.

Officers and Men of the RCAF have a particular responsibility in keeping up with developments within the Air Force of this country. When it is considered that numerically the Air Force is now on a par with the Army, and indeed stronger

by many thousands of men than the Navy, we see how spectacular have been the changes in warfare brought about by the introduction of nuclear and thermonuclear weapons, and the need to revise the system of Armed Defence to meet an aggressor armed with such weapons. In a period of less than twelve years, whole concepts of National Defence and International Warfare have become revolutionized, and Canada, together with the rest of the world, has no choice but to keep abreast with the latest developments, no matter what the cost to us, if we are to remain strong enough to defend and preserve the heritage of freedom into which we were born, and which we so naturally take for granted.

From many quarters are heard dismayed brayings over the alleged excessive cost of our Defence Program. Many times we are forced into a position of explaining to people the whys and wherefores of our vast military organizations, and those who are in a position to give an enlightened justification for the recent growth and expansion in the Air Force, with its attendant cost to the taxpayer, are performing a real service, to the Country as a whole, and to the Service of their choice.



This month's cover shows Personnel giving a "spontaneous and unrehearsed" cheer for departing sector commander W/C W. S. Quint, C.D.

FRESH HOPE FOR PMQ'S

As a consequence of the recent invitations appearing in the Press for tenders for the construction of PMQ's at St. Margarets, fresh hope that we may yet be occupying married quarters at the site of our work, has arisen among those of us presently living, by the grace of God, and the whims of others, in houses belonging to RCAF Stn. Chatham.

For two winters we battered the fifteen miles to and from work. Mostly by comfortable bus, heated and dry, but there will be many amongst us who can look back with anything but nostalgia to the shivering, rain-soaked experiences we suffered while being transported by stake truck over that bumpy and, after three years, uninteresting stretch of New Brunswick's Highway 11.

While actual construction on the housing units hasn't begun, the mere fact that tenders have been sought is a comforting development.

For those of us who enjoy our slumber most of all as the clock hands hover around the 6.30 a. m. mark, the extra 30 minutes will be a God-send; and the mere fact of being able to go home for lunch is a pleasant contemplation for those whose gastronomic pursuits have been cultivated and nurtured in the confines of their own domestic abodes.

Readers of this paper can rest assured of being kept fully informed on developments in this auspicious undertaking.



COMMANDING OFFICER'S PARADE

On Friday morning, August 26, 1955, a C/O's Parade was held on the Parade Square in front of the Ops Bldg, under the Command of Wing Commander R. D. Forbes-Roberts, CD. C/O of RCAF Stn. St. Margaret's.

Purpose of the Parade was to lend ceremony to the Handing Over of the Command of No. 2 Sector from W/C W. S. Quint to W/C E. C. Briese.

Squadron and Sector Personnel were lined up in three Flights comprising a strength of more than 100.

As W/C Quint stepped up onto the platform the Parade gave a hearty Three Cheers, and were then addressed briefly by the departing Sector Commander. In his remarks W/C Quint gave thanks for the co-operation he had received during

his tenure here, and emphasized the need for further and continued application to the aims and goals of Air Defence Command, in which Command the units of RCAF Stn. St. Margaret's play an important role.

The new Sector Commander, W/C E. C. Briese also addressed the Parade, and in his remarks he alluded to the coming increase in the Control aspect of the duties of this Unit, due to the increase in the Fighter Strength emerging throughout ADC. W/C Briese concluded in congratulating this Unit on past accomplishments, while reminding that there is still a long road for us all to travel, always keeping in mind the ultimate goal of perfecting the Air Defence System.

Scenes from the Parade were taken through the courtesy of the Photo Section at RCAF Station, Chatham, N. B.

ME NEWS

The deadline is here and once again our genial editor has given me the big prod so here we go.

Lac Johnny "Steelnerves" Bonevitch, although he's hardly been here long enough to put a sag in his sack, is already on his way to Holburg, B. C. "Steelnerves" was a very willing worker and will be missed in the section (not to mention the snack bar). We wish him the best of luck and hope to meet him sometime in the future.

The end of the month saw the 'safe and skilled drivers roadeo' run off in Chatham. Lac's Trevors, Marshall, Pickup and Anderson represented St. Margarets and the final results saw Lac Anderson in first place with Lac Trevors as a close second. It should be pointed out that in order to compete drivers must have one year accident-free records and that tests include knowledge of the trucking industry, fire-fighting, first aid, and rules of the road as well as the actual driving roadeo. Lac Anderson now proceeds to St. Huberts to compete with the winners from all other ADC units.

Our unit ME section has now completed nearly 200,000 miles without an accident. This is an extremely good record and one that we are justly proud of. We only hope we shall be able to maintain this record for the rest of the year. Our new boss, Sgt. Lizotte, is now firmly entrenched in the Section and several changes can be noticed all around. This covers all the exhaust to be found around here this month so we'll close wishing all a big fat "Adieu!"

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SPORTS

The sports scene at St. Margarets for this month seems to be very slim pickings. Not that there haven't been any sporting events taking place but it seems nobody is interested enough to report the happenings in the field of sports at St. Maggies.

The Volley Ball League is rolling along very nicely. Each day at noon the different teams are out smacking the ol' ball around. Although the teams are improving with each outing the Sgt.'s Mess team is still having trouble finding sufficient competition. However, I have been informed that any team requiring additional players may, if the terms are right, obtain the services of Sgt. Levy.

No doubt some of our readers are wondering what became of the St. Margarets Baseball Team. Unfortunately we were forced to disband the team due to the shortage of baseball players with the experience to compete in the Miramichi Valley Baseball League.

Since that time two of the players that were with the St. Margarets Red Sox have joined the pitching staff of the Chatham RCAF Baseball Club. Chatham RCAF are last year Champions of the Miramichi Valley Baseball League and although they have almost a completely new team this season there seems to be no good reason why they won't repeat their last year's performance and once again become the Champs.

This team is now sharing top spot in the league with Chatham Head Tigers by virtue of a 10-0 win over the Tigers 25 August. By the time you read this the play-offs will be under way, so if you haven't already done so and want to see some good baseball come out and see this RCAF team in action. Under the capable coaching of the one and

only "Gene" Poirier and such stalwarts on the mound as our own Ralph Morrell and Frank Betts you will indeed see some very fine baseball.

In order to bring you more sports in your Station Paper, it would be greatly appreciated if team captains would record the highlights of the games they play and pass them on to the Sports desk (Phone Ops 54) or to some member of the Magazett staff.



S/L B.A. Eisenhower

Departing from RCAF Station, St. Margaret's for new duties at AFHQ, Ottawa, is S/L B. A. Eisenhower, shown above, for three years the CadO of this Station.

Squadron Leader Eisenhower enjoyed the respect of all at this Unit for the skillful manner in which he managed the difficult post he held while this Station was developing from scratch to a near-complete Organization. We wish him continued success in his new duties and in so doing express our appreciation for his services rendered here.

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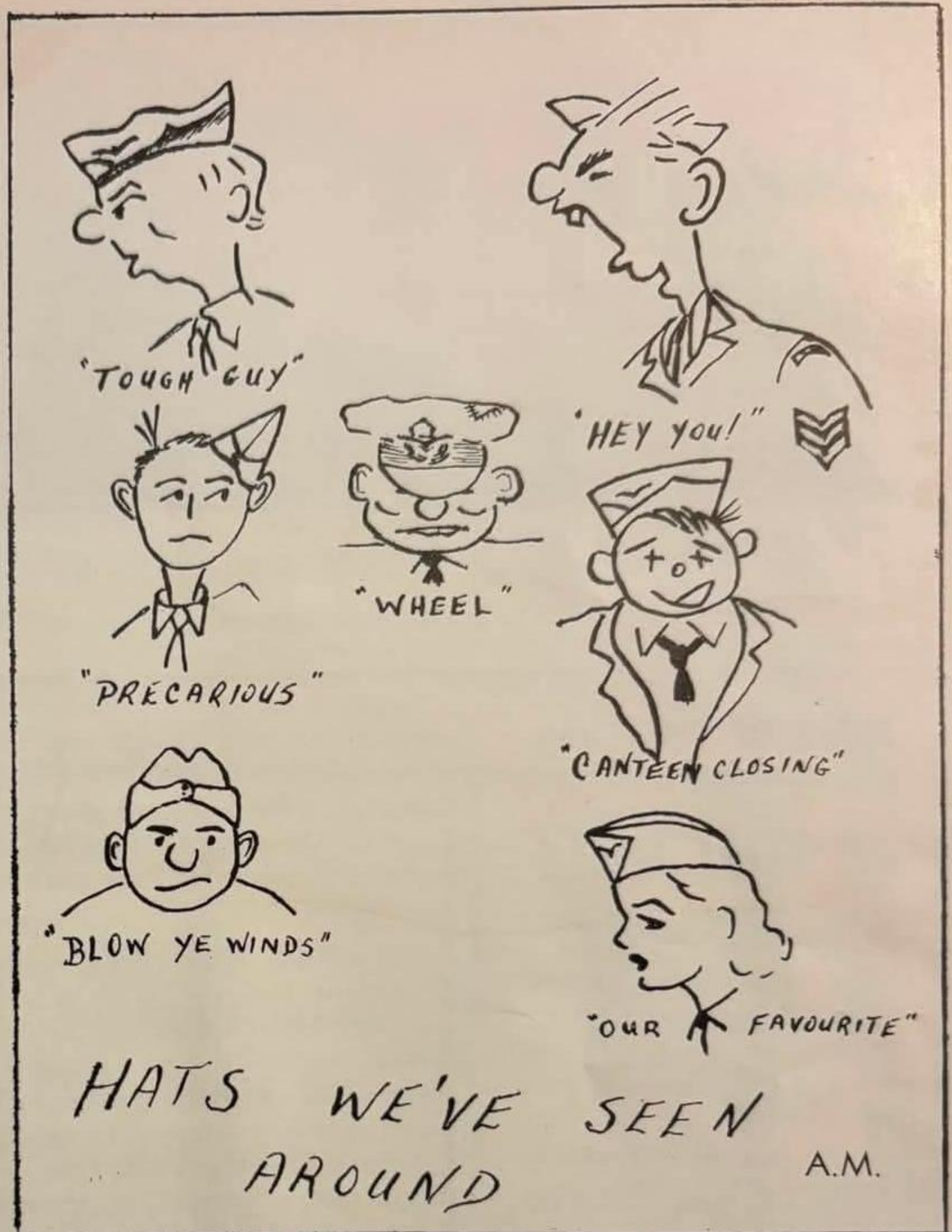
THE SGTS. MESS

F. N.

This old, honored and time hallowed Institution as established at St. Margarets has recently undergone a considerable change. For those of you, especially WOs who, ever on the alert for sabotage, might misinterpret this statement. I hasten to explain, be ye reassured that the ancient traditions of conduct, decorum and protocol are ever upheld at St. Margarets. I am referring in particular to the change in membership. Approximately one-third of our old (possibly the use of the word former might be better here) members, have been transferred. As a small token of the esteem in which these gentlemen were held, a suitably engraved silver mug was presented to each of them by the mess at a recent function. A "Christening Ceremony" ensued, and extended for—well, some of us went home early. I might mention in passing that the above ceremony has been referred to erroneously by lesser messes as "The Sgts. Stag."

The prospect of the loss of so large a percentage of the bar profits—er—membership, caused considerable dejection for a while but as new members are being welcomed practically every week, this feeling is changing to one of optimism, and speaking of new members being welcomed, it has been suggested in some quarters that another "Christening Ceremony" be held. It was not disclosed, however, what would be christened this time.

The day to day activities of the mess is of course still limited by the fact that there are so few living-in members and that the living-out members live so far away. However, a moving picture and social evening is held every Saturday night in the mess, and the "Debating Club" every noon hour, the latest subject under discussion being, "to loan or not to loan, lawn mowers." And that about winds up the activities of "The Mess" for this month.



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On the platform in the above picture is W/C W. S. Quint C.D., delivering farewell address to St. Margaret's personnel.

SIGNS OF THE TIME (and a riddle)

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Riddle: Mr. A was driving down a one-way street when he suddenly realized why the other cars were all facing in the other direction—he was travelling the wrong way on the one-way street. So when he came to the next corner, he made a fast left turn onto a through street, only to be tagged by a policeman standing on the corner. Now, — could he be held responsible for failure to come to a full stop at the stop sign? (Answer at the bottom of the article).

Highway signs can be very interesting as well as helpful and necessary. On some of New Brunswick's covered bridges there are signs warning that driving a team over the bridge at a faster rate than a walk may make one liable to a fine of \$25.

With the increase in power and speed of transport facilities, new signs have been developed. It is now hoped that the Departments of Highways in the Provinces of Canada and in the USA will soon be able to work out a uniform code of Highway Signs. Anyone who has

travelled much in Canada and the USA may have noticed that a sign indicating a steep hill may point to a far different type of grade of descent in one area from that in some other.

We do not always appreciate these signs, however. After all, we pay out a lot of money for the 200 horsepower job, don't we. Of course, wisdom and experience tell us that these signs are designed to ensure or at least increase our happy motoring. In fact, a "natural" observance of the rules and regulations of the road, goes a long way towards providing a successful, restful, and enjoyable trip. It is the rebel, the 'smart' guy, who is frustrated, often unsuccessful, and, if fortunate enough to arrive at his destination, frequently arrives in a state of nervous tension and fatigue.

What we have been saying so far is just plain common sense! The same holds true in the matter of living, and life is often referred to as a journey. Here, too, the Divine Director of Travellers has provided sign-posts, and wise, happy, and, in a true sense, successful is he (or she) that treats the Divine Rules for living with due regard and free "natural" observance.

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First of all, the Orderly Room, as so does the whole of RCAF Stn. St. Margarets we are sure, extend our sincere congratulations to our Commanding Officer, W/C Forbes-Roberts, on his recent promotion.

At the present we are extremely short staffed, in support of which statement we can advise of the following movements within this section.

S/L B. A. Eisenhower, our Chief Administration Officer, since the station opened, will be departing for Air Force Headquarters early next month. We have enjoyed working with you, Sir, and are sorry to see you leave. However, we know this is a big step and accomplishment in your Service career, and sincerely wish you the best of luck in the future.

F/O F. C. Campbell, Adjutant, is enjoying a well deserved two weeks leave. We are taking advantage of F/C J. Beck's knowledge for this. However, she too will be lost to us soon, as she is shortly returning to her studies at the University of New Brunswick.

Our NCO i/c, Sgt. H. Linton, is attending the SSTS Course at Camp Borden, Ontario, while Cpl. Paul Poirier is doing an excellent job of keeping us in tow.

LAW Marie Falconer, our former DRO Clerk, is now enjoying the warm weather in Ontario, and is proceeding to Langar, England, early in September. Bon voyage, Marie. LAC Bob Galbraith is now holding down the fort in this capacity.

AC Pete Chouinard, our competent Records Clerk, left us for ITTS Aylmer, Ontario, where he is enrolled for a Clerk Typist Course. At last, eh Pete? We wish you good luck at Aylmer, though we all know

you'll come out on top. LAW Diana Smith has taken over this work.

At this point we wish Cpl. Alice Pilgrim a big welcome. She invaded this fair station after first having seen the world (overseas, i. e.) She is now living up to the motto, "The mail must go through"—by working in C. R.

From the above I think you will agree with me that I am not exaggerating when I do say we are short staffed and have been very busy lately bidding farewells. Hence—the sketchy note.

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PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH

The Officers and Personnel of 2 Sector are extremely sorry that W/C Quint has been transferred to a new assignment. He will most certainly be missed by all of those who have had the good fortune of having worked under him while he held the post of Sector Commander at this Unit. However, looking ahead, we all join in extending to him our best wishes for the future.

W/C Quint hails from Calgary, Alberta, and after Formal Education in the West he enrolled in Royal Military College in 1939. Upon graduating from RMC he joined the Air Force in January, 1940, enlisting as a Provisional Pilot Officer. After elementary school of flying at the Moose Jaw Flying Club, he took the intermediate and Advanced Training course at Camp Borden, Ont., upon completion of which he received his Pilot's Wings.

Upon graduating, the whole course travelled to Central Flying School, Trenton Ontario in September 1940. On promotion to Flying Officer, he was posted to No. 5 SFTS at Bramford, Ont., where he assisted in opening the Station and served as a Flying Instructor on Anson Aircraft. One year later he

was posted to 14 SFTS at Aylmer, Ont., as a Flight Commander, and in October, 1942 was transferred Overseas to a Fighter Squadron. He joined 421 (Red Indian) Squadron and completed a tour of Operations.

Repatriated to Canada in August, 1944, he reported to Pennfield Ridge to attend a heavy Transport course. Upon completion of said course, he was attached to headquarters of 165 Transport Squadron, Vancouver, where he stayed for six months after which he flew for two years on the North West Staging Route.

In January 1948, W/C Quint received a new assignment, namely with the Experimental Establishment in Edmonton, where he served as O/C Flying. While stationed at Edmonton he went overseas and returned with the first Hastings aircraft to be seen in Canada; this aircraft was used for winter experimental purposes, and two years later, W/C Quint returned the Hastings to England.

In January, 1949, he was promoted to Squadron Leader, and in September of the same year was selected to attend Staff College, from which he graduated in July, 1950.

Shortly thereafter he proceeded to Tyndall AFB, Florida, USA, where he took the Fighter Controllers Course. Reporting to ADC/HQ in November, 1951, he was transferred to RCAF Station, Chatham, N. B. as O/C of the AC&W Sqdn.

In September of 1952 he inaugurated the establishment of 248 ADCC, consisting of a total strength of five. This organization later was changed to 2 ADCC and in the Autumn of 1953 moved to St. Margaret's.

W/C Quint's new assignment is a transfer to ADC/HQ as Staff Officer Plans and Requirements. Accompanying W/C Quint to his new environment is Mrs. Quint and their

three children, Elizabeth 13, Southard 7, and Susan 5. To them all go our deepest wishes for future success and happiness.

SECTOR NEWS

Sector has bid fond farewell to W/C Quint, who has left for his new assignment at ADCHQ.

The Officers and staff wish to extend to W/C Briese their welcome as our new Sector Commander and it's to be hoped that he enjoys the new surroundings.

The staff held a small party in honour of the two Wing Commanders, allowing the Personnel to bid farewell to W/C Quint and at the same time become acquainted with our new Sector Commander.

Capt. Ashbrook, our USAF Exchange Officer, finally got his movement orders and will soon be bidding farewell to the Miramichi area, heading for the sunny south, namely, Tyndall Air Force Base.

The unit is still in an unstable state as far as Personnel movements are concerned with old faces leaving our fair domain. We are gaining, however, new strength from Clinton and various other stations across Canada. CPL Beranche will be leaving soon for overseas along with Lac MacKillop to ADCHQ and Law Trainor to Station Ste. Marie.

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BED TIME STORY

Hello Boys and Girls:

Here is your friend little nipper back again just as I promised you I would be. If you remember too, I finished my story last time just as I was about ready to open my eyes.

To-day I would like to tell you about what I saw and did when my eyes finally did open. The first day it was pretty hard to keep them open all the time for everything was so bright and big that it scared me a little, but the next day I wasn't scared at all and I decided to go exploring. First of all I had a good look at my new family and I smelt them all over so that I would know them well, even if they were quite a ways away from me. They were just as nice as I knew they would be and were almost as excited as I was when they knew I could see them.

Then off I went around the house but do you know what? In my excitement I forgot my legs weren't quite as strong as my eyes yet and I had only taken a few steps when "BANG" went my chin on the floor, up I got and started out again and "BANG" went my chin once more. This time I sat down to think about it. Maybe I thought if I go slowly it won't hurt so bad, so next time I

started out slowly and got along pretty good and before long I had sniffed and looked at everything in the house and decided after that adventure I had better have a rest.

After awhile I opened my eyes again just in case I had missed something and sure enough I had. It was big and black and I don't know how I missed it before. It looked so interesting that I got up real quick and wobbled over and the next thing I knew there was a great hissing and spitting and my nose felt as though someone had stuck a dozen pins in it all at one time. I was so surprised and scared that I just lay there on my back and howled till somebody of the house came and picked me up. As you can guess it was the family cat I got tangled with and as you can also guess I didn't go quite so close to him again for a very long time. I'm afraid he didn't think very much of a puppy dog being in his house, but he finally got use to me being there and if I don't go too close to him he doesn't mind too much.

Well Boys and Girls it's time for me to close again, but next time I'm going to tell you about my first car ride. Don't forget to watch for my story.

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W/C W. S. Quint, C.D., receiving the General Salute. In the foreground is seen W/C R. D. Forbes-Roberts C.D., with a portion of the Parade lined up in the rear.

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BOOK REVUE

Excelsior by Paul Hyde Bonner

This New Novel has a fascinating locale that is relatively fresh in fiction—the Swiss city of Zurich—and Mr. Bonner has succeeded in giving vivid reality to this background. The central figure is the most notable creation in any of his books. Robert Eggli is the hero, and if you say that eighty years is too old for the hero of a novel, just read it and then eat your words.

Robert Eggli grips this book in the first chapter and holds all contenders against it for three years, to the final page. A shrewd, scrupulously honorable and powerful tyrant, the head of an international Swiss banking house which wields tremendous influence in world affairs, he is made even more powerful by the Second World War—and more domineering. He has dominated everyone around him, to the point where his associates—his middle-aged son-in-law and his daughter—dare not venture an independent thought.

The exceptions to this reign of fear are to be sought among the women of the novel. Robert's mistress for many years, the Baroness de Marty, deeply loves him and respects him. She does not fear him, nor does the Baroness' sworn enemy, his rattle-brained old sister, Tante Vivki, whom he in turn respects for having the courage to stand up to him. Even his Swiss daughter-in-law, Helene, who is picking her way warily through a love affair with an Italian-Swiss playboy, whom she suspects of being an agent for Ciano and the

Nazis, knows he can be managed.

But Robert Eggli has another son, Jacques, who thinks he no longer stands in his father's shadow. He has become American and has an American wife; his son Robert is a student at Yale when the story opens. It is the young American Robert, of the third generation, who really inherits his grandfather's strength of character and independent nature. When the war sends young Robert to England as a flier, and eventually to bombing missions over Germany, and sends his father to Switzerland on a secret mission of the OSS, the dramatic prospect of the book begins to emerge in a central situation which involves all three generations. Jacques Eggli's on behalf of his adopted country requires that he renounce his Swiss family loyalties and outwit old Robert, and the American son learns at last whether his emancipation from his father has been real.

The story of Excelsior moves rapidly, with great variety of scene and incident. The Continental Society that centred on neutral Switzerland during the war provides a colourful backdrop for the action. An arresting aspect of the book is its exposition, through old Robert Eggli, of the historical need of neutrality in world affairs on the part of the Swiss international banker, and indeed of all Switzerland, something that the thoughtful reader sees in a new light, and with respect.

THE BOOK CORNER

By F. S. Nelson

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Grandfather Stories—

Samuel Thompkins Adams

The White and The Gold—

Costain

Excelsior—Paul Hyde Bonner



SGT. GULLIVER

Pictured above is Sgt. "Jack" Gulliver, one of the really old-timers of this Unit, as well as one of the Stations most popular, and appreciated Sr NCO'S.

Sgt. Gulliver has been on this Unit since its opening in November, 1953, and now, upon his transfer to R.C.A.F. Stn. Mont Apica, we realize more strongly than ever the value to our welfare and morale was his presence amongst us. Jack was NCO 1/c of the Combined Mess, and in this capacity quickly gained and held the respect of one and all for his exceptional skill in making this Unit the proprietor of one of the finest Mess-halls in the Command.

We wish Jack the best of everything in his new transfer, and feel assured that he will gain the same esteem from those at his new Station as he enjoyed here.

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When you are busy, a boy is an inconsiderate, bothersome, intruding jangle of noise. When you want him to make a good impression, his brain turns to jelly or else he becomes a savage, sadistic, jungle creature bent on destroying the world and himself with it.

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curiosity of a cat, the lungs of a dictator the imagination of a Paul Bunyan, the shyness of a violet, the audacity of a steel trap, the enthusiasm of a fire cracker and when he makes something he has five thumbs on each hand.

He likes ice-cream, knives, saws, Christmas, comic books, the boy across the street, woods, water (in its natural habitat), large animals, Dad, trains, Saturday mornings, and fire engines. He is not much for Sunday School, company, schools, books without pictures, music lessons, neckties, barbers, girls, overcoats, adults, or bedtime.

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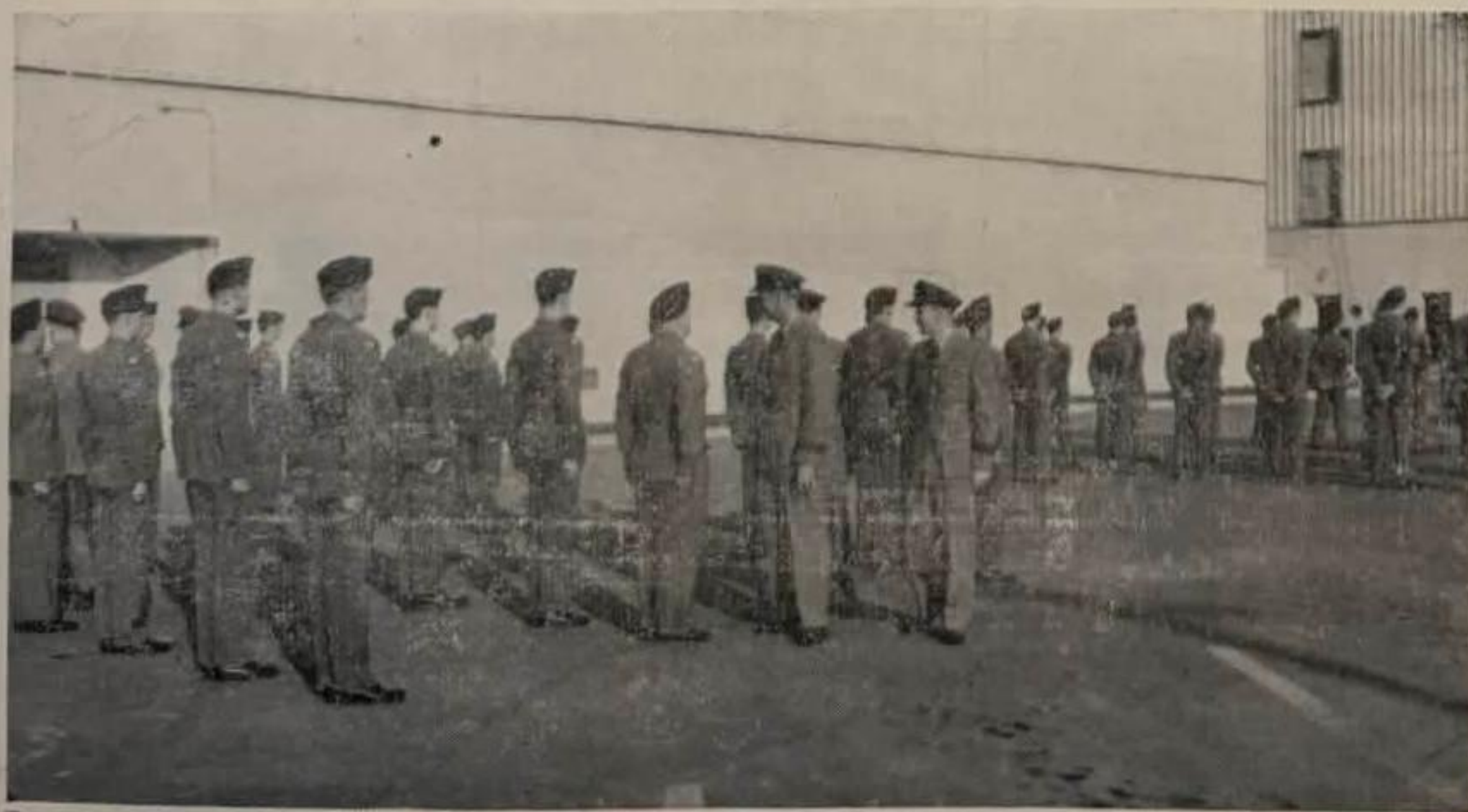
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CURTIS PARK JOTTINGS

Since the last column on Curtis Park doings was published, a few interesting events have taken place. The by-elections held last month have produced new councillors, who we all know, will do their best for the constituents. Congratulations to the newly-elected additions to the council. Names were published in the Curtis Park Courier two weeks ago.

Little League baseball is continuing very successfully. These youngsters really draw the crowds. It is interesting to note how some of these boys are rapidly shaping into real ball players. Some day many of them might find themselves in something much bigger than minor league base-ball.

The Rockettes are plodding along steadily and are looking forward to entering the "play-offs" which commences sometime during the first week in September. Coach "Bill" LaPointe is convinced that his girls have what it takes to win the cup.

Plans are being made for winter sports. A Midget Hockey League is to be formed and the lads are already thinking of ways of raising money for the Midget fund. This money will be used for both hockey and baseball expenses. Once again our good friend, Ed Eccles, is to be commended for a job well done. The boys are going to be practically self-supporting and Ed is their head man. In the near future the lads will be touring the Park with lottery tickets of one sort or another. Their first venture I believe will be on the Big Four and Grey-Cup play-offs. When the boys approach you—buy a ticket, folks—by doing so you will help them financially and also will have the chance to win some dollars.

Council Bingos will be held again this year and will commence when the baseball season ends. All prizes will be cash, so here's another chance for us to take home some

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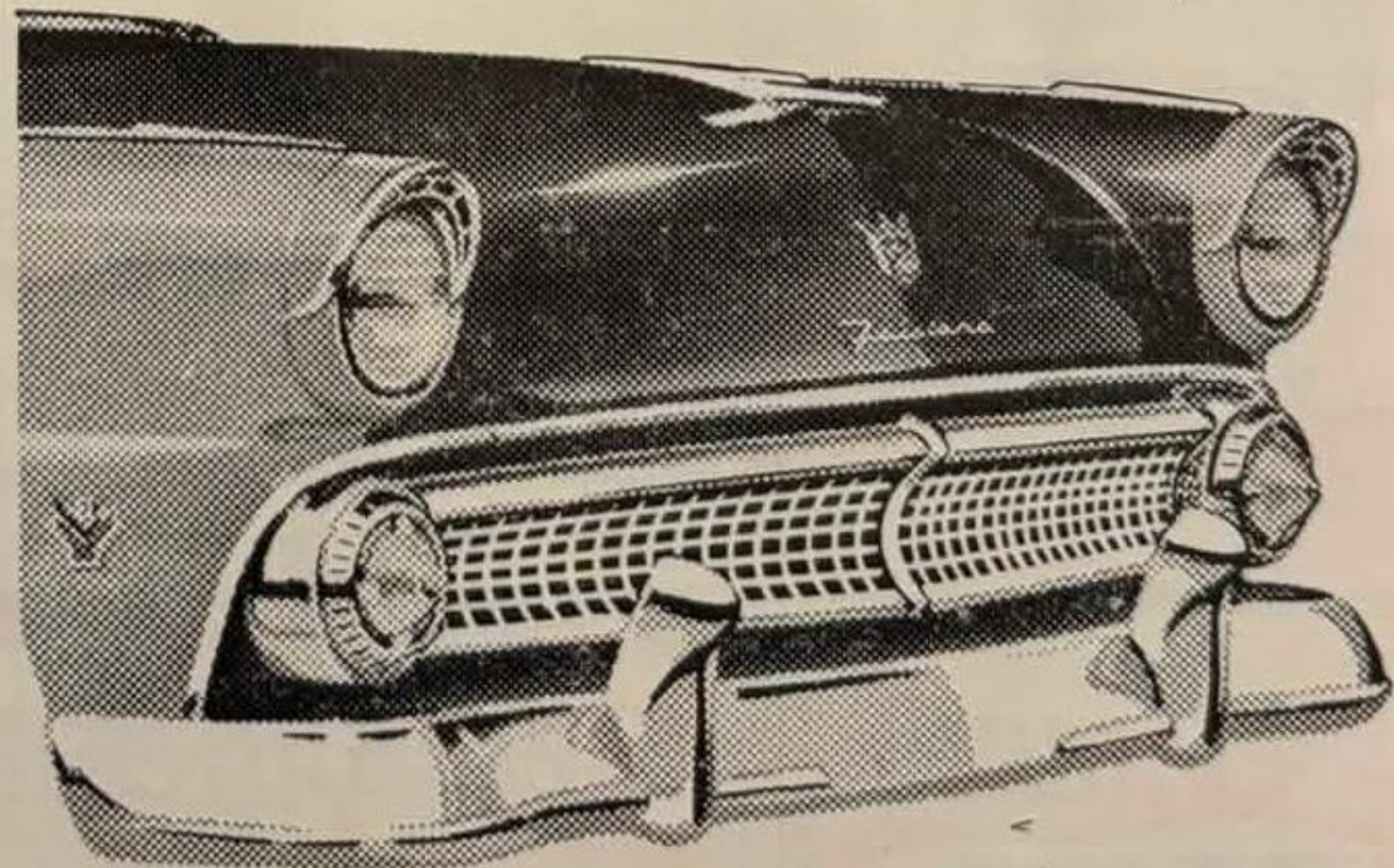
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CURTIS PARK JOTTINGS

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spending money. Watch for further announcements on this form of entertainment.

Now that the new houses are being built, I think we should all remember the damage that can be done by our youngsters if they should decide to visit the construction scene with that idea in mind. There is also the possibility of children falling into excavations or off scaffolding and being injured. It is understood that a housewife cannot keep her eyes on a youngster all day long but stern warnings as to what will result if the children are found in the area in question should have the desired effect.

The Park Women's Bowling league is beginning to take shape. This should be another big year for our wives. Don't forget to submit your name to FS Sagriff if you are interested, gals—he, I understand is the new manager of the alleys and will also organize formation of teams, etc.

Deadline time is near so must go.
Au Revoir.

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Sgt. R. Lohmaier

Sgt. Ross Lohmaier, now stationed at RCAF Stn Mont Apica, was one of the long-standing SR NCO's at Station St. Margaret's, and was a well known and highly respected individual. Skilled in his trade, and even more highly skilled as a fisherman, Ross leaves behind at this Unit a host of friends who wish him continued success and satisfaction in his new environment.

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LAW C. M. Hartnell released.
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Cpl. W. Litwin to Senneterre.
Cpl. J. D. Stewart to Sydney.
LAC C. D. Murray to Clinton.
LAC E. G. Wilson to Cold Lake.
LAC J. C. Ripley to Senneterre.
F/O R. W. Stewart to St. Marie.
F/O T. E. Meloche to Metz.
LAC J. Neeley to Cold Lake.
LAW S. M. Lunnie to Lac St. Denis.

LAW Lund to Falconbridge.
Cpl. C. G. Taylor to Gander.
Cpl. R. Kelly released.
WO1 R. A. Round to Senneterre.
LAC D. Waugh to Moisie.
F/O A. E. Gallant to Tofino.
LAW B. A. Barron to St. Johns.
LAC J. Ariano to Cold Lake.
Cpl. C. A. Beer to Grostenquien.
Sgt. R. P. Lhomaier to Mont Apica.

FS J. E. D. Corrigan to Bagotville.

LAW M. A. D. Long released.
LAW M. M. N. Brown to Foy-mountain.

LAC G. A. Balser to Grostenquien.

LAC S. J. Landry to Moisie.
Cpt. J. E. Fiset to North Bay.

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"Extracts from the Defence Minister's Speech Delivered in the House of Commons June 16, 1955"

All our thinking about defence today must be profoundly affected, I am sure all will agree, by recent developments in the field of atomic and thermonuclear weapons as well as in the range and speed of modern jet bombers.

These new developments give to our foreign policy a greater importance and a greater sense of urgency than ever before.

There is today no absolute defence against atomic and thermonuclear weapons in the quantities in which they could be aggressively brought to bear on this or any other country. That does not mean that we may not blunt and minimize such an attack. That does not mean that we could not survive such an attack. The powers of resistance and the ingenuity of human beings are very great indeed, as we saw in the last world war.

It follows, therefore, that since Canada, by herself, can provide only a limited though substantial amount of defence, and since other free countries are in the same position, greater assurance against the risks of war can be attained only by collective security. That is, of course, the meaning of NATO—of fifteen nations working to one end — a

great joint defence effort on the part of all for the protection of each.

For nearly a century and a half, there has been no fighting of any consequence on Canadian territory; but we can no longer count on being an ocean away from war. Working closely with the United States we must now be ready to reckon with attacks right here on our own continent.

To meet this threat a closely integrated system of air defence, comprising early warning chains, a network of communications and intercepting forces, air and ground, has been evolved in full agreement with our neighbours to the south and is now being built up.

This is a huge, difficult and expensive task for the defence of both countries. As an example of the costs involved, I might say that the present estimated cost of the mid-Canada line, which will be wholly borne by this country, is approximately \$170 million.

With this estimate for the mid-Canada line, and it is still only an estimate, and Canada's share of the cost of the Pinetree system, which will be approximately \$151 million, it is seen that this country is contributing on these two counts alone nearly one-third of a billion dollars to the joint Canada-United States warning and control system.

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 A/Cpl. H. L. Gallagher to Senne-
 terre.
 LAW V. E. Wallace to Mont
 Apica.
 LAW M. MacDonald to Mont
 Apica.
 LAC P. R. McAffer to Lac St.
 Denis.
 AW S. M. Piercey released.
 LAW L. G. Parnell released.
 LAC R. T. Lesjak to Falcon-
 bridge.
 LAC R. Walker to Moisie.
 AW P. M. Elvin released.

To St. Margarets—

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 AC E. T. Proctor from Clinton.
 AC J. G. McLaughlin from
 Clinton
 LAW E. L. Neiley from St. Hub-
 ert
 F/L N. D. Speedie from Ottawa
 LAC J. S. T. Frizelle from St.
 Johns
 LAW D. A. Farrell from Foy-
 mount
 AC W. L. Brown from Clinton.
 LAW P. Nugent from Lac St.
 Denis.
 LAW R. P. France from Falcon-
 bridge
 Cpl. M. A. B. Pilgrim from
 Soellingen.
 Sgt. J. N. L. Lizotte from
 Bagotville.
 AW R. H. Hiscock from Hali-
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 F/O D. F. Stewart from Soell-
 ingen.
 F/O E. L. Babcock from Sen-
 neterre.
 Sgt. W. Clerke from Gander.

Canadian soil, and there are also those who argue that since these installations are largely for the benefit of the United States, that country should find the men and money to make them possible.

I should think that the right balance probably lies somewhere between these extreme positions. It is difficult to foresee the future nature and extent of these joint defences, but up to the present we have succeeded in finding a mutually agreeable basis for sharing responsibility in these projects as they arise.

I am confident, as in the past, the friendly co-operation between our two countries will continue to be an example to the free world—an example of great concern to the free world because in addition to our own immediate defence we must never forget that the safeguarding of the strategic air forces of the United States and the industrial potential of both countries is of vital importance to every member of NATO.

I feel that in our thinking about defence matters today, the crying need is for realism. Let us not fool

ourselves: absolute security cannot be purchased, and any reasonable measure of security comes high. And Canada's defence programme must be kept within some sensible money limits if we are to be able, year after year, to sustain it.

By further streamlining our administrative practices, we can also effect some economies, but it is, let me assure you, quite illusory to think that very substantial cuts can be made in our defence estimates without weakening our defence effort.

The present climate of international affairs appears to be moderating, but we cannot be sure that the better weather of recent months will endure. Our objective remains fixed before us — to make peace permanent. With this in mind, the free nations are willing to negotiate with the USSR—at the summit, at any level — but we must negotiate from strength.

Defence is costly and will no doubt continue so. But standing resolutely and together with the other free peoples, Canadians are willing to pay dearly to maintain

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In this task of continental defence there are those who urge that Canada should be wholly responsible for all defence installations on

STATION ENTERTAINMENT

With the closing of Summer Camps at Cavendish Beach, and the fastly approaching Autumn months, dances will be once again in the limelight here at St. Margaret's, and your Committee is planning one for Friday, Sept. 2. This dance, in a sense opening the "Season" is looked forward to with keen interest, and anticipation.

The weather here in New Brunswick has been such that more entertainment has taken place outdoors than in, during the past month. The beaches in the vicinity of our camp have been a great drawing card during the warm August days, and should still attract a great number of personnel during the month of September Tuesday, August 16th., the airwomen of the camp, under the supervision of our Station Adjutant, F/O Campbell, sponsored a weiner roast on the Station, and it proved to be a great success. The affair was well attended, and an enjoyable evening was had by everyone. F/O Campbell and the Airwomen deserve a big vote of thanks for a most enjoyable evening.

The dance planned for Friday September second will be the First of the dances we hope to have during the autumn and winter months, and we hope that as many personnel as possible will get behind the Entertainment Committee to make it an enjoyable evening. We also have Social Evenings as well as other forms of entertainment planned for your enjoyment in the months to come.

We would like at this time, if we may, to extend a welcome to the new members of our Entertainment Committee. We know that they will render unlimited assistance, especially in ideas for varied types of amusements and recreation, which they may have encountered at their previous stations.

In closing, your Committee once again hopes that you will continue to support the entertainment programs available to you, and once

again remind you that your ideas and suggestions regarding entertainment will always be welcomed and actioned.

Sgt. T. J. Smith.

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their way of life.

To do this, we must go on so far as we can see, year after year, investing a substantial part of our national production in defence.

After all, the reward for our defence preparedness is immeasurable:

for what we do to guard against the possibility of war is our best guarantee that our time will be a time of peace. END

TITLE "SOMETHING IN THE AIR"

I suppose you can't blame any one in particular; we're all in it together in varying degrees; and after all, it's only another week or so to go.

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Squadron Leader Battison

S/L Leader F. Battison has recently departed from RCAF Station, St. Margaret's, on transfer to ADC/HQ, St. Hubert, P. Q. With his leaving our Unit loses a Sr. Officer who had been with us since the very beginning, and to whom goes much of the credit for the efficient operation of our working equipment, and for the general welfare of the Station. With him go our warmest wishes for a happy and rewarding tenure at Command.

"SOMETHING IN THE AIR"

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uncommunicative. Ralph Prime, the Wire Chief, was never known to take offense—now he snarls and snaps back at the slightest provocation. WO2 Weallens stalks the corridors, head down, worried. Charlie Murchison went salmon fishing, got nothing, his mind wasn't on his work. Cpl. Chevrefils, a hockey pundit, smiles uncertainly, and Forbes Skeaff is openly belligerent.

Walk by any office door and you overhear: "I gotta buck . . ." "You gotto bet . . ." What's happening to us all? Friendships are strained, cracking a joke becomes a serious risk, and the little courtesies which we take for granted are noticeably absent.

They tell me the same conditions exist upstairs. Pete Hay blandly asserts that the White Sox are a sure thing, while Al Montrose pontificates on the invincibility of the Yankees.

Yes, let's face it. We're joining the American League down the stretch, and I gotta buck that says

"THE ORIGIN OF AERIAL WARFARE"

By FWP

This article is based on facts. Though it may appear to some that we are way off base.

Aerial warfare as we know it, originated during the early years of the first world war. It seems that there was a French pilot and a German pilot who customarily patrolled the same part of the front lines in their trusty (?) bi-planes. At first they used to wave at one another each morning, but one day the German pilot had a hangover (from drinking too much at the stag the French threw after cease-fire the day before) and thumbed his nose at the Frenchman. Naturally a Frenchman could not tolerate such an insult, so the next day he took along a bucket of rocks which he heaved at the German. This in turn, aroused the German's ire, and the next day he took his Davey Crockett pistol aloft and fired a few rounds at the Frenchman. The following day the Frenchman took a shotgun and fired some buckshot at the German. Some of the buckshot accidentally struck the German's aircraft and forced him to return to base. The Germans, being a rather alert crowd, were quick to realize the significance of the outcome of our feud and soon appeared over the lines sporting a machine gun slung under one wing of an aircraft. The French followed suit (or was it the other way around?) and so aerial warfare was born.

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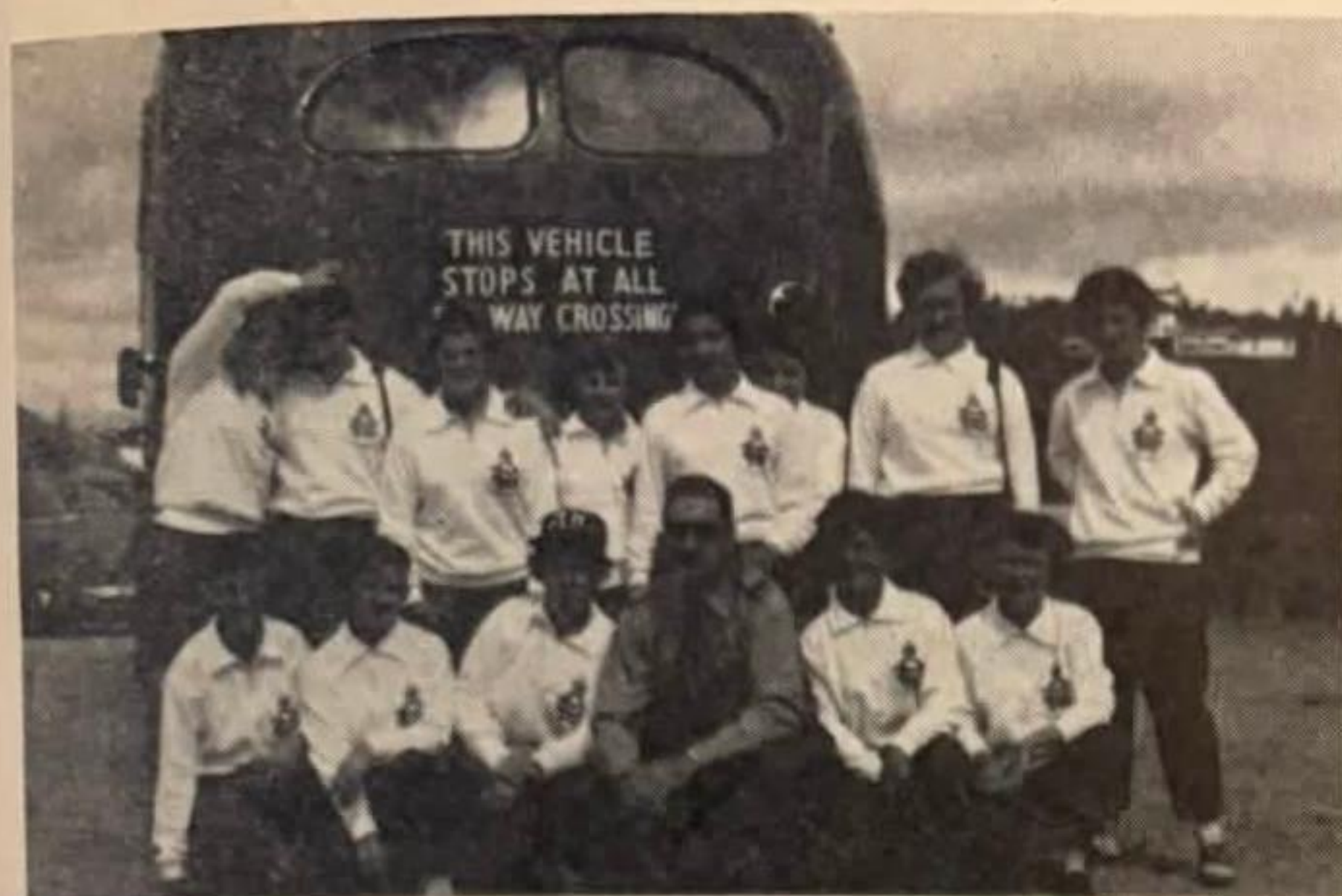
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Everything went fine with everyone enjoying the ride to St. Hubert on which even a bit of impromptu and unexpected entertainment, coffee and sandwiches, was provided by a personable young woman acting the part of flight stewardess. A Station Dance added to everyone's pleasure and helped to get the weekend trip off to a fine start. Next morning the team proceeded by bus to Lac St. Denis, passing through Montreal enroute. The trip was made from there through a nice part of the province, and everyone arrived at Lac St. Denis in high

spirits and ready for lunch.

The afternoon was spent by some in resting or looking around the station which is in a beautiful location. One or two even ventured in for a short dip in the lake at the Station's small beach.

In the evening the game began with both teams at first seeming fairly well matched. However, the Lac St. Denis team soon began to take the lead and managed to extend it throughout the rest of the game. After the game a party was held as a finale to the day's events and as a small celebration for the winners. Some members of the visiting team managed to get out to see a bit of the local entertainment and to revisit old spots they had known when they were stationed at Lac St. Denis.

Next day the St. Margaret's team

returned to St. Hubert, determined that they would be successful in their other game. They backed up this determination by quickly taking the lead and gradually increasing it to the end of the game. A small celebration was held immediately afterward in the well known Sabre Club of Station St. Hubert.

All good things must end though, so early in the evening the St. Margaret's team departed for home, pleased that they had been successful in part of their challenge, and that it had been a very pleasant week-end.

It is to be hoped that with further practice, the girls will be able to carry their challenge successfully against all opposing ball teams.

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