

"THE EAGER BEAVER"

R.C.A.F. STATION BEAVER BANK

JULY 1954.

EDITORIAL

It is most gratifying to see the progress being made by the Eager Beaver. Items are coming in the way they should, and at this rate it shouldn't be too long before we can manage a properly printed (in town) effort.

Readers will notice a few changes in this and future issues. For instance, there will be regular news columns from various sections; by-lines will be given to those who submit articles; a section has been dedicated to the Station Spiritual Welfare and a "Letters to the Editors" will soon be started. There will also be a Station Personality write-up each month.

I had a wonderful time in Florida, and would like to recommend Mexico Beach to any of you who are interested in a lazy, tropic vacation. However, it is nice to be back again, in spite of the work, mud, mosquitoes, mud, bad roads, mud, lousy weather and mud.

PADRE'S PEARLS

Greetings to all of you at RCAF Station Beaver Bank. I am trying to visit all who live in married quarters, I know you will understand that this takes time, but I certainly will

be calling on you in the near future. Each Thursday afternoon I am available to anyone who might care to see me in connection with any problems. I shall be in the school from 3.30 to 4 PM. It would be nice if our church could have a choir, so, if any of you can sing, won't you help me to form one.

THE PADRE.

DIVINE SERVICES

First Sun. 8.30 for Holy Communion.

Second Sun. 7PM EvenSong

Third Sun. 7PM EvenSong

If there are five Sundays in the month, a service will be held at 3PM on the Fifth Sunday.

The station had its first christening in July, The dear small son of Cpl and Mrs. Melnechuk was given the names Anthony John by the Rev Davis. The ceremony was held at the conclusion of the service on Sunday the 18th July 1954 at 7PM.

WELCOME NEWCOMERS

We welcome to our station this month the following people. Sgt and Mrs. Hansen and family, Sgt. Lavigne and Mrs. Lavigne, Sgt. Mosher now has his family here with him and Sgt Andrews and family are living in Halifax. We extend a hearty welcome to all these people and also the single personnel who arrived during the month of July.

BIRTHDAYS IN JULY

Your Birthstone is the Ruby and your flower is the LARKSPUR.

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OFF BASE-

Mrs Little and Howie Jr. visited Montreal and came back on the 20th July.

F/L Hill and family spent a week on Cape Breton Island and returned on the 18th of July.

Sgt Belanger and Mrs. Belanger spent two weeks in Ottawa and are now back with us.

F/O Robinson and family left the station on July 10th. He has gone to England on course and Mrs Robinson and the children have gone to Bolton, PQ until the end of July and they then go to Angus, Ontario until F/O Robinson returns.

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LATE NEWS

S/L Duncan and family left for Winnipeg July 30 on vacation.

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STATION ACTIVITIES-

The Station swimming hole is now underway and we hope to have it finished within the near future. The diving wharf is just about completed and two bathing houses should be erected shortly. The plans for the swimming hole also include a barbecue pit and wading area for the children.

The ball field is now in use and thanks to our Repc Lorraine Matthews, we now have a volley ball court. The residents of PMQ area have asked the Eager Beaver to extend their thanks to LAW Matthews for the interest she had taken in the young ones. All she does is much appreciated.

The Station Garden is coming along nicely, the only thing that mars the general layout of the garden is the number of unused garden plots. What happened to all those people who asked for garden space and never even bothered to rake their plots.

ALARMS FROM THE FIRE HALL- (by LAC W.V. Brown)

Well, another month has come and gone and we have a new man in the department. His name is Cardinal who came to us from Sydney. Welcome to you, and we hope you like it here.

Cpl Gus Gaudet came back from ~~PEI~~ full of smiles, so he must have enjoyed his leave. Hope you brought enough spuds to last the winter.

Red "Tommy Gun" Makin sure looks good in a dress. He had four of the boys ask him out till they found out he was not Christine Jorgenson.

I wish the telephone operators who kindly get us out of bed would make a second call, because we usually always go back to sleep. I still think we need a secretary in the fire hall. Thats all for now.

GUARD HOUSE NEWS-

Ray J. Deane
As this is the first news from this section, the Guard House staff wish to take this opportunity of thanking 2405 Sqn for their consideration and co-operation during their two week stay at this Unit. May we welcome a new addition to our section -Cpl Duncalfe.

GUARD HOUSE NEWS- Contd-

We sure are glad to see him. We wonder why a Cpl from this section went on leave with a car and came back without one. He must have enjoyed his leave. He left on the 26th for another holiday.

INNER SANCTUM SECRETS

(Previously known as the Squirrel Cage)

- by LAW Arbeau and LAW Istvanffy

July was the month we welcomed 2405 Reserve Sqn. from Halifax. It was quite confusing at first, but fun when everything got straightened out. Mr Andrews, how would you like to be the Wire Chief? We think you will have enough experience you will ever need.

We all wish F/O Robinson the best of luck on his course in England. Mr. Quarnstrom you should never have flipped for it, you know Robbin has too many tricks up his sleeve to lose, but if you do get to Florida you will have won the toss.

Looking across the hall, we can see F/L Hill pulling out his hair by the roots, Whats the trouble? Better be careful, it comes out much easier than it goes in. Crew #6 the Entertainment Crew lost one of its entertainers this month when Arbie went on leave. Bill Rains also took a trip all the way to Halifax NS.

INNER SANCTUM SECRETS- Contd

As the strenght of the Ops Bldg increases, so does the work of Salty O'Rourke. He is our Mail man.

F/L Wallis spent a few days this month at St Hubert and Chatham NB. Hope you enjoyed your trip Sir.

What airwoman is counting the days until she becomes a civilian).....
 Who is counting the months?.....
 Who is counting the years?.....
 and has anyone seen O'Keefe?.....

F/O Maxwell and family returned from leave a few days ago and from all reports it must have been some trip. Mr Maxwell has been asked to compile a motorists guide for anyone contemplating a trip to Ontario. We understand that the Maxwell auto dosen't run too well on Diesel Oil and without a generator it hardly runs at all. It appears that some brilliant station attendant filled said auto's gas tank with diesel oil instead of gas and to make matters worse, the generator went "phutt" too. Mr Maxwells favourite expression is "I shoulda stood in

in bed!

INNER SANCTUM SECRETS - Contd

Sgt Belanger now has his own private cage (stores). We missed Rudy while he was on leave and could hardly wait for him to return as he told us he was going to bring back the biggest dog on the station. It must be all of four inches in length and has to be fed with a bottle - - some dog!

If you happen to see a nice green meteor sedan on the station, it belongs to F/O Quarnstrom. Finally and at last he unloaded that 1942 Chev. Love to see the buyer's face when it breaks down and he tries to get parts for it.

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SPORTS COLUMN - LAW Matthews

It gives us a great pleasure to be able to talk to you through the kind permission of the editor. We hope to be able to bring you, each month, the sports and recreation news of our station.

You already know some of the recreation that is going on and of what is expected in the future.

The ball season is in progress at this time and we would like to express our sincere thanks to all those who co-operated with us and donated a few of their leisure

hours, coming out to put the field in the shape it is in, to-day. We admit its no Ebbets Field yet but it is a beginning.

We have a softball and volley ball schedule under way and teams for the male personnel are; HQ, ME and Ops Bldg. We are planning to present small tokens to the winners.

Swimming classes are held on Fri. afternoons for those poor people who do not know how to swim. These classes are for both men and women. May we give our real thanks to those who gave their own time so that the old swimming hole would be a neater place to swim. This is appreciated by all.

Our equipment at the present time is limited. More is expected. This is what we have on hand at the present time. Softball and Volleyball - Horse Shoes - Fishing Equipt. Paraphenalia on order includes hardball equipment - badminton net etc and archery equipment for the Robin Hoods and the William Tells. Your sports store is located in the school room #7. Open from 8 to 5 daily on week days. During the week-ends if you can catch us.

SPORTS COLUMN- Contd

Your recreation Officer is F/L Hill. This being a new station it has fallen upon his shoulders to find out the recreational desires and needs of all personnel on the station. (This is no easy task believe me)

We hope that with your keen co-operation and interest we will be able to satisfy your recreational needs and at the same time, set up a sports program. Our door is always open, to suggestions.

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CONGRATULATIONS-

To LAC and Mrs N Coolen who tied the knot this month - may you have lots of happiness.

To LAC Brown who placed a ring on the third finger left hand of LAW Terry Hampsey. Best wishes to you both. When are the bells to peal out for you?

To Sgt and Mrs A Findlay who now are three. A small baby girl, Nancy Jean, has been taken into their hearts and home and we on the station share their happiness.

MEDICAL NOTES - by LAW Pierce

Cpl Nich Melnechuk is off enjoying 14 days leave. Hurry back Nick. LAW J Pierce is back from leave. Hurrah! Sgt O'Leary from Command has been doing his sanitary rounds; he thinks our station is tops. How about keeping it that way? F/L Healy the MO is back at his job in Halifax. Dr Fuller our doctor from Bedford was inoculating our dependents this month. Thats what all the crying was about.

A tragic thing happened to one of our little people in July, Small Ronnie Blackmore age 3 was playing in the yard with bottles when apparently one, un-opened, exploded and the shattered glass pierced his eye. He was taken to the children's hospital, but unfortunately the eye could not be saved. He lost it on the 17th. The whole station was very much upset and we can only hope for a speedy recovery.

Two families were quarantined when whooping cough broke out this month, The families were those of F/O Roche and F/O Burrill.

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WORDS FROM 2405 (AUX)
by F/O L Peers)

It is hoped that RCAF Stn Beaver Bank has recovered from the invasion by 2405 AC&W for their two weeks of summer camp.

It can be said without hesitation that all members of 2405 Aux Sqn thoroughly enjoyed their stay at Beaver Bank and they felt they were really part of the station (Orderly Officer) (Stock Checks) etc. Seriously though, our thanks go to the Acting CO, S/L Duncan, the officers, airmen and airwomen who made us all so welcome.

The airmen from our Unit made a very good showing at the ball game between the regulars and reserves but the less said about the girls game the better. We stand defeated; the final score looked more like a basket-ball game than a ball game. However, we haven't given up hope and may be will do better next time. One thing sure, we will do without the practice for some of us failed to survive even that. Thanks again for all those who made our stay pleasant. We are looking forward to our next visit with you.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS-

An attractive and different manner of labeling fruits and jellies, is to get some old catalogues and cut out pictures of each fruit, pasting them on the jars and glasses.

Use a moth-ball as a core when winding yarn from a hank into a ball. ^{This} will keep the wool moth free while stored.

To remove disagreeable odors from the house, burn sugar or dried orange peel on a pie pan or tin shovel. This can be done over a low gas flame or electric plate and all odors will disappear.

If a small funnel is not on hand when needed, use a dried out egg shell, punch a hole in the end and it will serve the purpose very nicely

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VISITORS-

Mrs M Campbell, aunt of Mrs. A. Bradshaw, returned home on the 25th of this month after spending 3 weeks with the Bradshaw family.

Mrs Blackmore was visited by her mother Mrs Cyril Mercer, who has now returned to Sydney taking with her young Carol Blackmore, for a short vacation. Mrs Blackmore's sister Mrs Lloyd Young is still with her.

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FOR THE CHILDREN- The Adventures of Sammy Snail(Chap 3)

Humming to himself as he crawled along, he was all at once confronted by a long stream of black ants. They were all in such a hurry. Sammy was very curious and dying to know what all the excitement was about. "Oh Mr Ant, what is...." but before he could finish the sentence, Mr Ant had scurried away. So he tried again with another ant, but the same thing happened. Finally he tapped an ant on the shoulder and said "Stop" "in the name of the law" and the ant stopped, and quickly too, He looked up at Sammy Snail and said "Yes Sir" "Now Then" replied Sammy, "What is going on here? Why all the hurry? "Oh" laughed the Ant, "we are just gathering food for our party tonight. Its our Queen Ant's Birthday, and we are giving her a Party." "Gosh what fun" said Sammy "Would you like to come" said the Ant "Oh thank you" said Sammy but I'm afraid I wont be able to. I am seeing the world you know, so I must be on my way" "Well tell your Queen Ant that I wish her a happy birthday" "Why thank you Mr Snail, I certainly will tell her" replied the ant, "and I am sorry you cannot come to the party!" "Goodbye" Come and see us some day when you have a little more time to spend" "Thank you I Will" said Sammy "Goodbye now" and off he went.
(to be continued)

SPARKS FROM THE CENTRAL HEATING PLANT.

Things are going along much as usual at the Heating Plant. Vacations are the most interest at present. Hank Andersen has just got back from two weeks spent on the shores of the Bedford Basin. RE George left on Friday for Southern Ont. We all wish him a pleasant journey. We hope he has better luck with the weather than we are having here. John Davis hopes to go to PEI next month to join his wife and family, who are spend-Aug at the home of Mrs Davis. (Alfy) Curly McInnis and the Chief are looking forward to those frosty Oct mornings, when they can make a trip into the bush; everyone get your frying pans ready.

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"THINGS I WISH I HAD KNOWN"

Auth Unknown: Submitted by
 "Singapore Joe" Fisher
California, USA. Famous Lecturer

Now a man of mature years,
 wise in his experiences of
 life, yet in want, whose
 name is charitably withheld,
 had an abundance of time in
 which to meditate over his
 lot. His conclusions were
 summed up in the following
 regrets of "Things I Wish
 I had Known" before I was
 21, a profitable admonition
 for young men.

"What I was going to do for a
 living, and what my life-work
 would likely be.

That my health after thirty
 depended in a large degree on
 what I put into my stomach
 before I was twenty-one.

How to take care of money.
 The commercial asset of being
 neatly and sensibly dressed.

That a man's habits are mighty
 hard to change after twenty-one.

That a harvest depends upon seeds
 sown.

That you can't get something for
 nothing.

That the world would give me just
 what I deserved.

That the sweat of my brow would
 earn my bread.

That a thorough education not only
 pays better wages than hard labour,
 but it brings the best of everything
 else.

That honesty is the only policy,
 not only in dealing with my
 neighbor, but also in dealing with God.

The value of absolute truth-
 fullness in everything,

The folly of not taking older
 peoples' advice.

That everything that my mother
 and father wanted me to do was right.

That Dad wasn't an "Old Foggy"
 after all.

What it really meant to a
 mother and father to rear a son.
 More of the helpful and inspiring
 parts of the Bible, especially
 the four books dealing with the
 life of Christ.

The greatness of the opportunity
 and joy of serving a fellow man.

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ACCOUNTS HI LITES- by JD Mac Donald

This month we had the honour of
 having our SAO, acting CO during
 the absence of S/L Duncan. The
 Accounts & Supply Section Party
 was voted a most resounding success
 and we hope to do it again some
 time. We extend a hearty welcome
 to Sgt Hansen and family. Jean
 Sibbly our Digby Chick is enjoying
 some leave at her home in Digby.

ACCOUNTS HIGH LITES (Contd)

Joe Cullen was visiting the Garden of the Gulf (PEI). Boylan is boiling because he is still here, but word has it that he is finally posted. Bon Voyage. Al Muise when interviewed was auditing his 6,878 voucher and says it is a very demanding job. We have a small mystery on our hands, "Who left the orange flowers on F/L Bradshaw's desk?" Cpl "Senator" Mac Donald submits a suggestion. How about opening a Clinic for "Dry Cleaning and Pressing!" It is rumored that one of our staff was forced to remain in a clothes closet for ten minutes (Charlie). Incidentally, it is illegal to use ink in water pistols, please stick to water. Memo to ME please note. "Thank you". Since we started these jottings, several changes have taken place. LAC Boylan has left for North Bay after a rousing send-off, complete with speeches. Bon Voyage.

So for the moment:

"The moving Finger writes, and having writ, moves on; Nor all your Piety and Wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, Nor all your tears wash out a word of it.

(Omar Khayhan)

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THE SUPPLY TECH NIGHTMARE

By LAC Keough, AC Waddell
and Miss J Salkus

Now I lay me down to sleep
As through my mind the
vouchers creep,
If I should die and my soul
go free,
Turn me in on an E93.

I toss like mad in my
little bed,
With E42's buzzing through
my head.
All night long suffering
torment vile,
Trying to think which copy
to file.

Then I shrieked and tore
my hair,
Giving way to wild despair,
I gave up the ghost and
ceased to thrive,
And started aloft with an
E 35.

They raised an I.R.V. in
copies eight.
To help me through the
pearly gate.
"Lord cried St Peter, what
an awful fix,
They should have raised an
E 26.

The procedure too is wrong
as well,
So I guess you'll have to
go to H---,
That's my story sad but true,
I was transferred below,
on an E 42. - - - -

SUPPLY NEWS-

HQ are lucky this year.
Supply has no ball team.
Our senior NCO and Officer
have hung up their spikes,
too old I guess.

We are losing LAC Keough,
a good man, on transfer to
France, but he is happy, lots
of brew there, Newf.

The Supply Section wish to
welcome to our staff, F/O
Conrad and LAC MacKenzie.

Having two new men in the
Supply section is making
things run smoother it appears
and cuts out the night work.
The Sgt. will be happy now. The
ME thinks our typist should do
some overtime in the office
for a change.

The Account's auditors are
spending too much time in
stock control admiring our
typist instead of vouchers.
It's no wonder we have so
many hasteners. How about
that "AL".

THE CPO-by Mrs E Pierre & Mrs.
I McKay.

Things are still buzzing around
the hive while Miss Leighton
is away. We just hope the
civilian personnel will give
us a break and hold their fire
until Miss Leighton gets back.

Mrs I McKay is holding the
fort with the very able assist-
ance of Mrs Eldred Pierre.
They will endeavour to do
their utmost for you in carry-
ing out the required services
of the CPO.

Mrs Olive Foley is still
mis-employed doing all duties
wherever needed. At present
the OR has acquired her sunny
presence.

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THE SUGGESTION BOX-

A posting for all who want it?
Let's get our washers fixed, or
else give us a flight plan so
that we know where they are
going.....Could't the
Canteen stay open until 1.30
on week-days so we on late
lunch don't have to get down
stairs in a rush to buy our
cigaretts.....Next time
we have an Innoculation
Parade let's have some sick
leave also.....We suggest
#6 Crew Chief learn a new
joke, Please.....

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QUESTIONS OF THE MONTH

What Crew Chief has tele-
phoneitis?-----Who started
the rumor that we be called
up to work at five in the
morning?-----What time do
you think a good party should
end -4,6,8, or 10 AM?-----
Who slugged Willie Brown?
Your jaw was rather swollen
for awhile.....When are
we going to get a new Juke
Box? We are getting tired of
Geetar and mouth organ music
down at the canteen.....
Who is going to carry the
mid-night mail?-----What
three girls went down the
road to get something to
eat and wound up at the
Stock Car Races?-----
Two of the girls were only
twelve too.-----

WOMANS AUXILIARY

Although the Women's Auxiliary
have suspended operations for
the summer, the Welfare Comm-
ittee of the WA is still going
strong, visiting new comers and
giving fruit and ice cream to
shut-ins. Our WA is doing a
fine job.

AIRMANS CLUB NEWS-

THIS SPACE WAS RESERVED FOR AIRMEN'S
CLUB NEWS

HQ HAPPENINGS-by P/O MACMILLAN

Another month has rolled around and
it is time for news from HQ. We
want to welcome back our Commanding
Officer and family from Tyndall
AFB, Florida. At present LAC Lyons
is on leave in Detroit and will be
back on the 30 Jul. Is that brand
new Chevie standing up to the wear
and tear of the roads? It is doubt-
ful who will be the worse for wear
LAC Lyons or the car. We welcome to
the OR AW Lantz who is working in
the TT Room. F/C Barrett is also
working in our section -she is under-
going summer training from University
of Acadia Squadron.

That brand new Gestetner is running
off copies daily (from other sections)
It is being operated by our three
ink-spots, Niddery, Craig and Mc-
Donald. Due to this fortunate cir-
cumstance we hope that the Eager
Beaver will be more presentable this
month.

This is the favourite recipe of
Mrs J. Quarnstrom

CRAZY CHOCOLATE CAKE

1 cup sugar
1 egg
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk, sweet or sour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of shortening
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon soda
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups of flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of cocoa
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of boiling water.

Put ingredients into mixing bowl in the order given
(Do not mix or stir until boiling water is added)
When water is added, beat vigorously until mixture is smooth. Pour into greased cake tin and cook at about 375°F. Frost with your favourite icing.
FOR LARGE LAYER CAKE USE RECIPE AND ONE HALF.

FLASH

The womenfolk on the station played ball the night the paper went to press; we managed to sneak in the score. Station Wives, 17, Station WD's 16.

FLASH-FLASH-

The return game was a wash-out as far as the wives were concerned. They were trounced by the WD's. Score not known.

MOVIE SCHEDULE UP TO 12 AUG

July 29

DRUMS ACROSS THE RIVER-

(Audie Murphy and Lisa Gaya.)

July 31

CHARGE OF THE LANCERS

(Paulette Goddard & Gene Aumont)

Aug 5

THE OUTCASTS

(John Derek & John Evans)

Aug 7

TWO SMART PEOPLE

(John Hodiak & Lucille Ball)

Aug 12

GUN FURY

(Rock Hudson & Donna Reed)

THE EDITOR

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PLEASE NOTE THE STATION SPEED
LIMIT

15 m.p.h. in PMQ Area.

20 m.p.h. in other areas.

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CE CHIPS- by WO1 Grover

Mr. Taylor of the CE Stores Dept. is departing on 2 weeks leave. Mr. Taylor is a reserve Army Sergeant Instructor in daw-daw-ditts and will be wearing khaki for two weeks at Petawawa. (Don't sweat too much)

Congratulations to the Benedicts who are building a new home at Shunamon's corner. Vic gives all volunteer workers a hearty welcome.

We were very happy to meet a grand old lady, Mrs. Julia Rainforth, our Chief Electricians mother who at the age of 78 enjoys a social evening of dancing and music. We certainly hoped she enjoyed her visit to our station and will return again in the not too distant future. x

It's a proven fact that some kangaroos do jump backwards.

HOUSEWIVES HOBBIES-

Anyone interested is invited to see the following ladies regarding the items listed.

Mrs. H. Lyons - Dress Making
Mrs. D. Maidens - Rhinestone Jewellery
Mrs. L Roche - Greeting Cards
Mrs. L Calver - Beauty Counsellor
Make-up.

FOR SALE

WO 1 CL Grover has an Oriental Rug (Wilton) for sale. It is 7' x 9' and lovely. It will sell for \$55.00

F/L WA Bradshaw has a radio for sale. An RCA Victor Floor Model. Come and take a look at it - the best price gets the prize.

EDITORIAL STAFF

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F/O Quarnstrom - - A/Editor
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F/O Standing - - - Reporter
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LAC Lyons - - - - Printer.

MAY OUR EFFORTS BE PLEASING
IN THY SIGHT O LORD"