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## FUTURE C.O. VISITS ROCKCLIFFE

G/C J.G. Stephenson who arrived at Rockcliffe on Sunday, Jan. 4th will be staying here for a week before departing for Lachine to take a refresher flying course. He is not scheduled to take over the reins from W/C R.I. Thomas until later in the year.

Since returning to Canada after World War Two, the Group Captain has served on the staff of Eastern Air Command, Halifax, and the Canadian Joint Staff, Washington. He was named Director of Postings and Careers at RCAF Headquarters in 1948 and has recently finished a term at the Imperial Defence College in the U.K.

## ROCKCLIFFE SHINES IN PROMOTION LIST

Rockcliffe received its share of Officers' promotions in the New Year's list. Congratulations to the following: CEPE G/C Frizzle; S/L's Philp, Fewell; F/L's Mitchell, Owen, Harris, Dewar.

412 SQN: W/C Norris; S/L's Haverstock, Christmas, Olsen, Lloyd; F/L's Stewart, Enns, Webb, Doucet, Hunt.

408 SQN: S/L Weir; F/L's McMahan, Williams, Mayer, Debliquy.

AMU: F/L McFadden.

HQ: F/L's Pelton and Fleming.

## BIG BUSINESS HAS A HEART

Trains are not often held up for passengers arriving late but service was really supplied to the wife and family of Sgt Chatburn by the Canadian National Railways on a Western trip.

Mrs. Chatburn with 2 children and 1 small dog were proceeding to Erickson, (Cont. on page 7)

## A/C RIPLEY VISITS ROCKCLIFFE

The Air Officer Com. Air Transport Command made his Annual Inspection on the 8th & 9th of Dec. He visited all Units on the Station and while his official comments of the visit are not yet promulgated we are told that he had no major complaints. His verbal comments indicated that he was reasonably satisfied with the efforts put forth by the Units but urged a continued effort to eliminate loss of man hours on non-operational commitments. We hear that Air Commodore Ripley was particularly interested in a programme for general improvement of Station facilities and his suggestions along these lines are at present being acted upon.



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## MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER

It is seldom that apologies are pleasant to make but this one gives me a great deal of pleasure because it is an apology for not using all the assistance offered for various campaigns particularly for the Poppy Drive. It was most stimulating to be called up and offered help for such a function so I feel you who were so good as to make such a gesture should have an explanation.

The drive this year was organized at AFHQ level and instructions passed on to the units for action. Since word came down rather close to the deadline it was decided to use as simple an organization as possible within the terms laid down. In keeping with the experience gained on the Bond Sales the number of canvassers was kept to a minimum, using the wives of officers in charge of units or sections with one assistant each. This was quick and easy to arrange, therefore appealed to a hard-pressed Admin staff.

Whether or not this method was the best for the drive we cannot be sure of course, but the results of over \$220.00 for the station area were most gratifying and the disruption of sections was kept to a minimum. I hope this brief explanation will let those of you who wished to help know that we did appreciate your offers, and that it was force of circumstances which precluded acceptance.

One other point I should mention. Many felt the houses should have been canvassed as well as the men in the sections. This was not done because AFHQ suggested that we confine the drive to the working area. The collection from PMQ as well as the working areas might appear to be too much of a good thing. It is very apparent from comments I have heard that our tenants would have welcome the opportunity to donate, which is most gratifying. Just goes to show how wrong we can be on surmises of other people's feelings.

Before closing I would like to express my appreciation to all for the cooperation the HQs Staff has received in the past. As you know we have been going through difficult times and the support and goodwill shown on this station is most heartening.

## VANDALISM

We have been perturbed over recent reports of incidents of vandalism and hooliganism on the Station. It appears that stones have been thrown, windows broken and people struck by missiles. Unfortunately reports of these incidents have arrived to late for the Service Police to take action.

In general there have been so many of these minor incidents needing action that the SPs cannot possibly cover each case in addition to their other duties. We would bring to the attention of all personnel on the Station that each Air Force person has a responsibility to take adequate steps at the time of the occurrence.

## EDITOR'S NOTE:

*We checked with the CO on this matter, and an application for renovation of the canteen has been made. It is hoped that work will commence shortly.*

## MILITARY VERSUS CIVILIAN MINDS

The recent feature in a Canadian Daily newspaper brought to my attention that a mutual feeling of distrust exists between the civilians and the military.

One editorial writer in an Ottawa paper mentioned this mistrust after spending a few days with several senior officers recently returned from Korea. It seems he based his comments on this one meeting with Military personnel.

Without reading between the lines too much I gather that the idea of enlisting boys as soldiers would gradually build up a Military cast, with a bad effect on our country. I gather too, that our services are filled with second rate no-gooders, who could not get by in civilian life, and that given positions of authority these men would be harmful to our country.

I would like to go on record as saying that service personnel are on a par in all respects with their opposite numbers in civilian life, and, in many cases, are infinitely better trained.

The personnel who leave the services after a few years do so with a trade or profession which equips them to occupy a respectable civilian position, whilst those who remain in the services do so because they have become expert tradesmen and administrators.

Yours Faithfully,  
(F.F. Caldwell) F/L,  
412 Sqn.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:-

I would like to write about something that should be of interest to every service man on this station. That something is the airmen's wet canteen. Have any of you seen another canteen half as dirty as ours is at the present? I walked into the canteen the other night and it was so bad I turned around and walked out again. Many times I have asked a friend or relative into a service canteen and have felt proud of it. I'm sorry that I can't do that now. I feel our canteen should be a place in which we can be proud to entertain our friends. Can't we do something about it?

M. Leedham  
AFHQ PFlight.

## OUR CHAPELS

### PROTESTANT

Divine Services — 1100 hours.  
 Sunday School — 1100 hours.  
 Holy Communion — First Sunday of  
 each month — 1100 hours.  
 Chapel Guild will meet in the Chapel  
 Hall 12th of January at 2000 hours.

### ROMAN CATHOLIC

Sunday Mass — 0900 hours and 1100 hrs.  
 Confessions - Saturday 1900 - 2030 hrs.  
 Alter Guild will meet in the Teacher's  
 Room of the Woodfalle School, Tuesday,  
 January 13th at 2030 hours.



PRE-SCHOOL AGE PARTY

### CHILDREN'S XMAS PARTY

Santa Claus really came to Rockcliffe on Saturday the 20th of December, and never did he see so many children or have such a bag of toys.

At the drill hall there were six hundred children of pre-school age waiting for the old boy, and in their turn they were given their balls or pull toys or plasticine and each a bag of candy. Mayor Falle was Santa Claus and Cpl Hal Rees and nad Sgt Bond were clowns, and what jolly fellows they were! They cavorted and amused children all over the hall—some little tots didn't know whether to laugh or cry but they all knew they were having a party. LAC Roberts singing and playing the guitar fascinated both children and mothers. Mrs. Sisk was leader of a group of WA ladies who distributed presents at this party.

Boys and girls 6 to 10 had their party in the school auditorium. Here F/O Pelton was MC and he brought in Santa Claus who arrived in his CF100. The children were each given a present of a purse, box of blocks, or a doll and of course a bag of candy. There was a real show put on to amuse the kids by Mr. Roy Wright who did magic, juggling and dance acts to loud applause from his audience. Mr. Tony Lacelle was Santa Claus, and Mrs Rowe and fourteen WA ladies supervised the distribution of gifts.

The theatre had a crowd of boys and girls over ten years old. Carols were played for a start, but a lot of kids

thought these were for the birds and made a lot of side noise. LAC Al Kelly put on a good tap dancing act and then came the movies—cartoons, ten of them! These went over big with these boys and girls. Gifts of flashlights, handbags, or pen and pencil sets were merely handed to the recipients as they left because such grownups over ten are way past the kid Santa Claus stuff. Mrs Quinn and Mrs Birch were looking after the gifts, and F/S Chalk and airmen volunteers were doing the projection work.

The Community Council and the Women's Association deserve much praise for a prodigious effort of organization and work to put on these parties. The purchase, wrapping, laying out and distributing of the gifts was a really big task. Here's the thanks of the community to all those who pitched in and did the grand job for the kiddies at Christmas.

The surplus presents were taken down to St. Patrick's Orphanage. Mayor Falle, WO1 Langlois, Sgt. Sisk, Cpl McCarthy and F/S Chalk made the journey downtown, crashed the St. Pat's Party and gave each of the children an extra gift. "For they are jolly good fellows was spontaneously sung to make the visitors really feel like Santa Claus.

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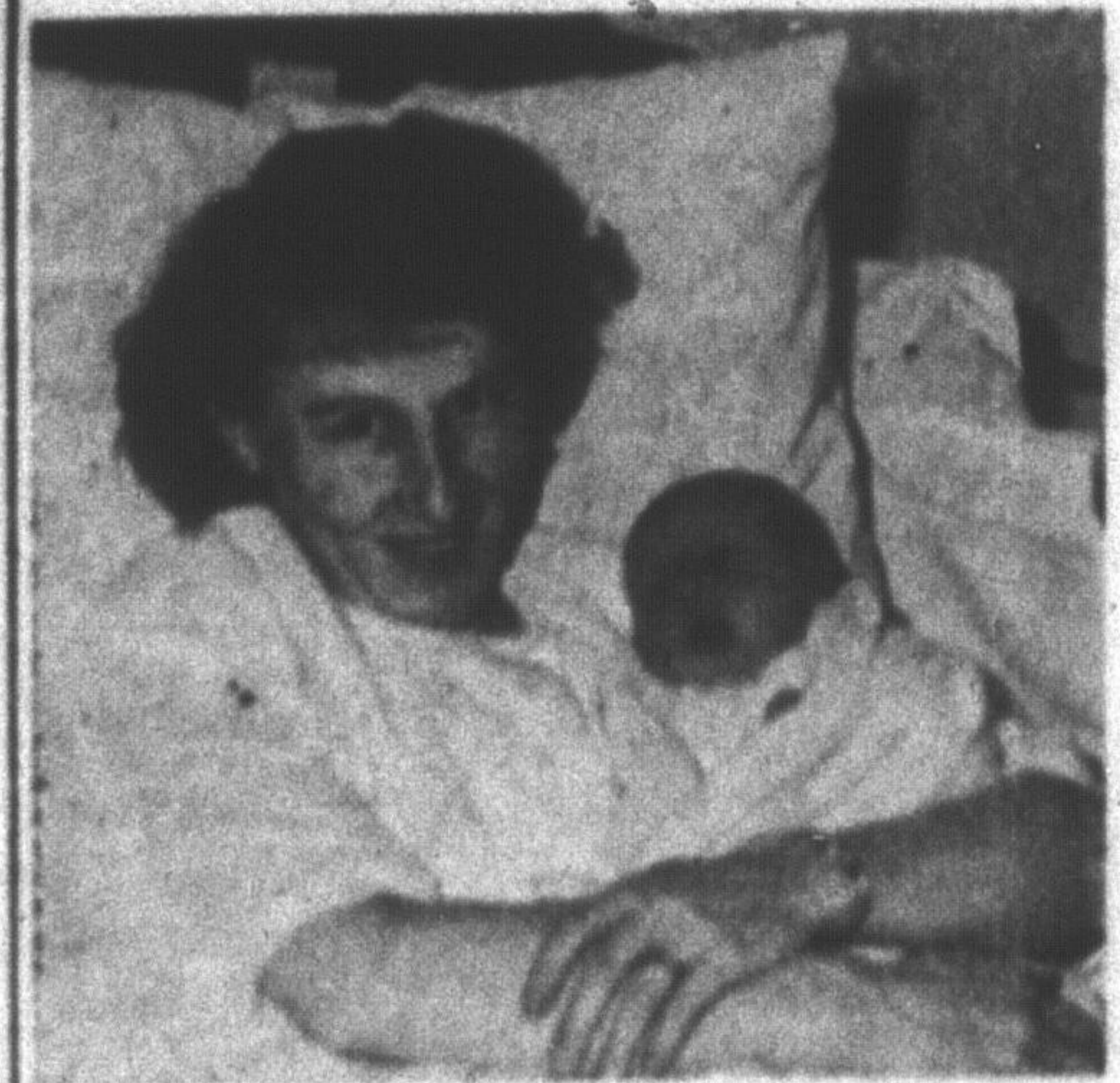


## BANK OF MONTREAL

### Rockcliffe's First New Year Baby

On New Years' morning at 4.05 a.m., a baby girl was born in Grace Hospital to LAC and Mrs. J.A. Hawthorne, to be the first baby born in 1953 to Rockcliffe parents. The baby will be called Janet Ann, and is the Hawthorne's third child. Mrs. Hawthorne will receive the award of a \$50.00 layette from the Community Council via Mayor Falle.

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The holiday season has come and gone, leaving in its wake the usual aftermath of exhausted personnel caused by Section parties, five days leave, and

### "CHRISTMAS CAKE"

Everyone seems quite happy with her holiday loot.

Frankie Russell was overjoyed with her little electric train (she always wanted to be an engineer) and Cpl. Bradley has been skipping along the hall with her brand new skipping rope.

Abundant parcels of Xmas goodies from all parts of Canada have reached BB No. 70.

Isabelle MacDonald shared a lovely baked smelle Codfish (with trimmings) received from her kin in Nova Scotia. We all figured it was "Right Some Nice".

A local airwomen who gave up trying to give away Xmas cake finally found a very good use for it - it makes a sturdy door stop.

Vi Just, who recently made a trip to Trenton to write her Trade Board Exams was successful.

### Question of the Week

How many helpings of New Year's dinner did Lil Sinclair have - Ask the Adjt.

LAW Devine spent a very unhappy Xmas - Some low type told her there was no Santa Claus.

Wedding bells are ringing in B.C. for Kitty Smith, and also Irene Burgess, 2 ex-Rockcliffe Airwomen.

Cpl. "Santa Claus" McKenzie gave out the presents at the Airwomen's Party held just before Xmas.

AW McMillan received a cap gun, so it turned out to be quite the bang-up affair.

Terry Erickson came down from Camp Borden to spend Xmas in Rockcliffe but unexpectedly rested as a guest in the Rockcliffe Hospital. She is now minus her appendix.

AW Duffy is boycotting black cat products - a sleek purring feline who invaded her boudoir one cold night scaring Duffy out of several years growth is the main cause for her decision.

### KURRENT KORN

Suds: Did you ever hear about the musical cow?

Atkinson: She drank purple ink and "Mooed Indigo"

## - THE - YOUNGER SET

### THE ROCKCLIFFE YOUTH GROUP

by Harvey Girard

On Tuesday we went bowling again from 6 to 8 in the old bowling alleys. Two of the boys took over the job of pin boys. We all had fun and at the end found the scores much higher than last week. Bowling rates are small because we supply our own pin boys and we have no other helpers who have to be paid. On Friday 19 we held a group Christmas Party, here we must thank the Mayor, Sgt Falle who contributed 2 chickens which were given away as dance prizes. Mayor Falle also lent us a modern 16 mm sound projector and films to go with it. Throughout the evening we had several novelty dances, the winners of which were Francis MacDonnell, Pamela Robertson, Shena McGibbon who won a silver spoon, and Terry Dalgleish who won one of the chickens. In the second spot dance Brenda Orchard won a chicken and Bobby Oles won a model out-house. Other winners were Joyce Harwood and Bruce Langille. During the evening two rounds of refreshments were served and the party ended shortly after 11 P.M. We thank our entertainment committee for the wonderful time we had. At our next meeting on January 9th we shall become a recognized club in Ontario, with two of our members on the City Community Centre Council.

### BALLET CLASSES

There will be no Ballet Classes until Saturday January 3rd at the usual time and place. Work is commencing for the Spring Concert, so don't miss your lessons children.

### CHARACTERISTICS OF A CHILD THREE YEARS OLD

Loving she is, and tractable, though wild;  
And Innocence hath privilege in her  
To dignify arch looks and laughing eyes;  
And feats of cunning; and the pretty round  
Of trespasses, affected to provoke  
Mock-chastisement and partnership in play.  
And, as a faggot sparkles on the hearth,  
Not less if unattended and alone  
Than when both young and old sit gathered round  
And take delight in its activity;  
Even so this happy Creature of herself  
Is all-sufficient, solitude to her  
Is blithe society, who fills the air  
With gladness and involuntary songs.  
Light are her sallies as the tripping fawn's  
Forth-started from the fern where she lay couched;

## FIFTEEN HOURS IN THE ROCKCLIFFE TOWER

Anon.

At seventeen hundred you hit the field,  
To inspect its condition and such,  
For flying sake you pick up that rake,  
The runways aren't bad-not much.  
By seventeen twenty you're in the tower  
To find out the traffic and such  
The man in the dome is about to go home,  
There's not much doing-not much.  
At seventeen thirty you sign the log,  
And report your findings and such,  
The radios work and met says the mirk,  
Should lift in an hour but not much.  
By eighteen hundred the crash crew's  
gone.

The planes are all down and such,  
Its quiet as sin and you settle in,  
To do nothing at all-not much.  
At nineteen hundred you answer thephone  
'Is the Lane from Churchil expected?'"  
"Not that I know, but I'll call you if so."  
And you hang up the phone-dejected.  
The time slips by, you sit alone,  
In that glasshouse on top of the roof,  
Away up high you sit in the sky  
Then all of a sudden-pooof.  
There's a sickening flash in the semi dark  
And smoke soon fills the room,  
The circuits short but you hold the fort,  
And what do you know-no boom.  
You let the man in ops go home.  
Then you think that you're really alone.  
There's a sudden snap-the release of  
a trap  
And the mouse that was with you is gone.

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## - PERSONALITY PAGE -



### G/C J.R. Frizzle, C D

This week's Personality subject was much too modest for the writer's good. Trying to get G/C Frizzle to talk about himself was like banging the traditional appendage against the traditional wall. After much probing a few facts about his career and a hint of his unusual hobbies were divulged.

Both the group captain and his wife are Nova Scotianites and, with their three boys, still make an annual pilgrimage to the home province. G/C Frizzle was born in Berwick, N.S. in 1912. He first entered the Air Force under the UATP in 1931 but his career ended abruptly in 1932 during the economic drive. Returning to school he graduated from Nova Scotia Tech as Mechanical Engineer and re-entered the Air Force in 1937 as a student pilot. He spent most of the war years in Coastal Command on the East Coast where he and W/C Thomas crossed paths. Stints in Training Command and as CO of Tofino B.C. also took place during the war. He has been at Rockcliffe for three years as OC of CE&PE and as Acting CO of the station.

A keen pilot for twenty-two years, G/C Frizzle has flown 3500 hours in 35 types covering such aircraft as CF-100 and Vampire to North Star and other multi-engine planes. His fondness for the CF-100 carries into his home work-shop. Working in his very complete wood and metal shop he reproduces metal models of the Jet, dips them in gold and gives them to some lucky friend as costume jewellery. Perhaps the most outstanding products of this workshop are the car he once built and the marquetry

work. The car was widely written up in Popular Science. Some of the readers probably remember it as entirely original in design with a big Air Force crest on the front. It certainly evoked surprised queries from the local citizens. The marquetry was what excited this writer's admiration the most, however. Hundreds of pieces of wood of various shapes and sizes are inlaid to form a picture. To give you some idea, a picture on his office wall represents a Sunderland flying boat approaching the Irish coastline. The aircraft alone contains 36 pieces of wood. Mallard ducks in all their coloured finery are portrayed in another picture yet not one bit of paint was used.

Three growing boys are no problem to entertain when a man is as well-founded and as enthusiastic in sports as G/C Frizzle. He was the original pusher of swimming pools on this station and did the Engineering Research on the project when it was finally realized. Almost any sport finds him an active participant.

His team-mates and co-workers volunteered some of the information in this article. Everyone who knows him seemed eager to tell of his work, his accomplishments, his happy home life. He is a friend to everyone he knows and it appears that anyone who knows him is his friend.

**Ben Mesher**

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### WORLD SPOTLIGHT

by Phil Catellier

Honouring his pledge to study the war at firsthand, the President-elect Dwight Eisenhower, came back from Korea the second week of December where he had flown 11,000 miles to Seoul. He spent three days appraising the Korean war with the world's most practiced inspecting eye. Then he went into retreat with his staff on the "U.S.S. Helena" in mid-Pacific to translate a feeling for the situation into a course of action. The General said at the time that he had no trick ways of settling any problems.

General of the Army Douglas MacArthur said there was a clear and definite solution to the Korean conflict but he would not divulge his plans unless the President-elect asked him to do so.

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### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The sports page of the first Rockcliffe Record issue was written up entirely by Cpl Hal Rees but we omitted his by-line completely. He should have the credit for a good job.

# ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

## STATION THEATRE

- Jan 10th **TREASURES OF LOST CANYON (TECH)** William Powell  
Julia Adams.
- Jan 10th (Matinee) **BLOCKHEADS** Laurel & Hardy PLUS Serial.
- Jan 11th **BELLES ON THEIR TOES** Jeanne Crain - Myrna Loy
- Jan 13th **EVERYTHING I HAVE IS YOURS (TECH)** Marge &  
Gower Champion.
- Jan 15th **WAIT TILL THE SUN SHINES NELLIE (TECH)** Jean  
Peter & David Wayne.
- Jan 17th (Evening) **ITS A BIG COUNTRY** Ethel Barrymore &  
Gary Cooper
- Jan 17th (Matinee) **VALLEY OF FIRE** Gene Autry PLUS Serial.
- Jan 18th **FRANCIS GOES TO WEST POINT** Donald O'Connor &  
Lori Nelson.
- Jan 20th **THE DEVIL MAKES THREE** Gene Kelly - Pier Angeli
- Jan 22nd **WAY OF A GAUCHO (TECH)** Gene Tierney-Rory Calhoun
- Jan 24th (Evening) **ISLAND OF DESIRE (TECH)** Linda Darnell &  
Tab Hunter.
- Jan 24th (Matinee) **BONANZA TOWN** Charles Starr PLUS Serial.  
Doretta Morrow.
- Jan 27th **ABBOTT & COSTELLO MEET CAPTAIN KIDD**
- Jan 29th **GLORY ALLEY** Lealie Caron - Ralph Meeker.
- Jan 31st (Evening) **BATTLE AT APACHES PASS (TECH)** John  
Lund - Jeff Chandler.
- Jan 31st (Matinee) **TARZAN & GREEN GODDESS** Johnny Weis-  
muller PLUS Serial.

Saturday Evening Jan. 10th.

### TREASURE of LOST CANYON

William Powell — Julia Adams  
CARTOON - The Great Who Dood it  
PLUS Frankie Carle & Orchestra.  
A nice adventure story in Technicolor  
by Universal with Bill Powell in one of  
his best performances in years. Powell  
and his wife are out to save a buried  
treasure for a young orphan. Of course,  
there is a bad lawyer after the treasure  
but Powell looks after him quite handily.  
This film could be classed as a witty  
comedy instead of an adventure film and  
is suitable for entire family.

### BLOCKHEADS

Saturday Matinee Jan. 10th.

Laurel and Hardy

CARTOON plus CHAP. 8 of  
ADVENTURES OF SIR GALAHAD  
Sunday Jan. 11th.

### BELLES ON THEIR TOES

Jeanne Crain — Myrna Loy  
CARTOON Happy Holland  
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You will remember the Clifton Webb  
film "Cheaper by the Dozen" in which  
Papa passed suddenly to his reward.  
This is the follow-up story of how the  
wife, Myrna Loy, brought up the brood  
of twelve healthy, spirited and mis-  
chievous children. All the way through  
the film there is humour that runs from  
chuckles to belly-laughs. Hoagy Car-  
michael adds to the picture with his  
gentle homespun humour. An excellent  
Sunday nite picture suitable for the  
whole family.

DON'T FORGET, TWO SHOWINGS  
ON SUNDAY EVENINGS.

### DANCE

SATURDAY JAN. 10th.

If you're not still tired from the New  
Year's Ball why get out and have some  
fun at our Stn Dance on Saturday. We  
have complete night club facilities at a  
price which a night club waiter wouldn't  
even accept as a tip. Let's get hot to trot  
for the Saturday Night Smash.

The council wishes at this time to  
extend to all residents of the Rockcliffe  
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## "MONDAY MADNESS"

by F S Holland and Cpl Gold

The Holiday Season has come and  
gone and from out of the depths the  
triumphant heroes of the Met section  
emerge, fired with fresh vigour, deter-  
mination and a brand new set of New  
Year resolutions to pummel in 53. First  
and foremost, bigger and better snow-  
storms, wetter and wetter rainshowers,  
longer and lustier winds to go with the  
longer periods of short weather which we  
are now having, freezing rain and sub  
zero temperatures guaranteed to stall  
your car in its tracks. We also resolve to  
freeze the swimming pool over in mid-  
July.

As we fiendishly carry out our resolu-  
tions, that championship aggregation of  
Olympian Athletes—"The Bowling  
Team" are limbering up their muscles to  
do battle again in that supreme test of  
skill and stamina—"Five Pins". Resound-  
ing with our battle cry "Dominus Ad-  
venturum" (translated, means: Does  
anyone here play Checkers), our Team  
Captain F/S Holland leads the assault  
on the enemy, who, although well dug  
into their foxholes in alleys 1 and 2,  
must yield to our overwhelming "Strike".  
So beware you Monday night Bowlers!  
We serve fair warning, the "Cloudy  
Joes" are on the march, Woa to the Foe  
as we stomp all comers into the dust.

"VINCIMUS - WE CONQUER!"

### SHAKESPEARE'S NIGHTMARE

Whilst driving through the centre of  
town,

Only 4 people did I run down,  
I know it does sound pretty bad,  
But not the worst I've ever had,  
Griffith and Gibb are quite a pair,  
Oweh! another sliver from that chair,  
They sit and talk, and talk and sing,  
and for 8 hours don't do a thing.

Getting back to my drive from town,  
I was driving along when I heard a  
sound

A voice yelled out and I gave a sigh,  
A sigh of EE Gad! its old Bill Tighe.

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## World Spotlight . . .

(cont. from page 5)

At the U.N., 13 Asian and Arab nations are demanding U.N. intervention to give Tunisia its independence from France. France itself continued to boycott the U.N. discussion after insisting that it would pay no attention to any U.N. recommendation. France claims that the U.N. has violated its Charter which says that any two members to a dispute must first both be members of the U.N. before they may bring their dispute to the General Assembly. In this case, France is a member but not Tunisia. This is the reason that France calls the matter a domestic dispute which should be settled by herself only.

As we already know, we have three Squadrons of Sabre Jets at Grostenquin, France. So far these squadrons have been under RCAF Administration but on the 14th of December at a ceremony attended by the Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence, and other dignitaries, these squadrons were handed over to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, General Ridgway former Commander in Korea is now the NATO Chief.

Mr. St. Laurent returning home from the two-week London talks where the different members of the Commonwealth met together, told reporters at Rockcliffe Airport, "The conference was very successful. It certainly was as favourable to Canadian interests as it was for other members of the Commonwealth." As yet not too much has been divulged on the results of this conference.

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City Ticket Office, CNR,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

Just a few lines of appreciation and thanks for your efforts in enabling me to reach my destination on the Canadian National Railways, in the shortest possible time.

On 26 Nov. 52, I left Ottawa and arrived in Winnipeg at approximately 10:45 A.M. 28 Nov. Due to your efforts and advice, the train for Erickson, Manitoba, was held up for 50 minutes to enable my children and I to catch the train. Porters (red caps) were awaiting the train at Winnipeg, and gave me every possible assistance in transferring trains. This service avoided us staying over in Winnipeg and I do extend to you my sincere thanks, and commend the CNR and yourself on the personal interest shown to my family and myself throughout the journey.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. R. Chatburn.

Sgt Chatburn of the Security Branch at Rockcliffe is posted overseas to Germany for one year effective the 9 Jan 53.

FOR . . .

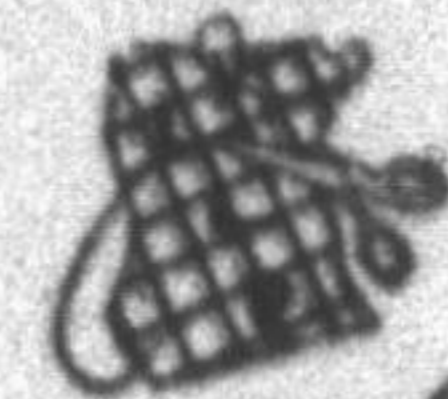
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## 15 Hours . . .

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You dispose of the corpse over the rail,  
And return to heat up the pot,  
You let it stew then drink the brew,  
That supposed to be coffee-its not.  
At three in the morning the telephone  
rings.

"There's flying saucers all over the place"  
"Thanks for report" you politely retort,  
Though the fact that he's drunk you  
must face  
Around about four you could really use  
sleep,

An urge that again you must fight.  
If you don't it's O.O. for five days or so  
If you think that's a joke-well all right.  
At five in the morn you're expecting a  
flight,

With all kinds of Vips from U.K.  
You're really alone, Air Movements  
are gone,  
And there's no one to meet them today.  
The crash crew's recalled, the aircraft  
arrives,  
You've handled some traffic at last.  
Your voice is thick and the words all  
stick,

And the time to control is past.  
The hours drag on, the dawn breaks  
forth,

Relief comes at eight you hope,  
You're tired to the bone, and all alone,  
But you can't quit yet you dope.  
At oh eight hundred you've been relieved,  
And go down the winding stairs,  
You've lost your pep so you watch  
your step.

You can't take them by pairs.  
Then off to the peace and quiet of home,  
With ideas of food and sleep.  
"We'll start right in," says the wife  
with a grin.  
"I've a date in town I must keep".  
"You're really not tired, done nothing  
on shift,

Except sit and stars into space,  
Tonight you can sleep without counting  
sheep,  
I can tell by the look on your face".  
You've got to agree, you've done nothing  
on shift,  
Just handled one aircraft and such,  
You've all day free, let's go an a spree,  
You're really not tired-not much.



# SPORTS REVIEW

## BASKETBALL

by Cpt Hal Rees

### Airwomen Win First One

The Rockeliffe Airwomen, playing their first basketball game of the season, defeated Uplands Airwomen 32 to 30.

It was an exciting game all the way through, with Uplands having the edge at the half time mark 15 to 12.

In the second half, Rockeliffe matched Uplands basket for basket. With about 5 minutes to go successive baskets by F/O Betty Danard and AW Smithie tied the score 30 to 30, and with less than one minute to go AW McRae fired her first score of the game to put Rockeliffe two points up and that's how it ended.

F/O Betty Danard was high scorer for Rockeliffe with 9 points.

AW Brundin was high for Uplands with 14 points.

## HOCKEY

Hockey, which has been in the air around the station lately, got off to a big start. The first game between AFHQ and AHQ of the National Defence League (which Rockeliffe is participating in) was played in our own ice rink.

This being the opening game, the Station Pipe Band under Sgt. Al Howie was in attendance and gave a great display of piping and drumming before the game. G/C Stevenson threw in the first puck and the game got under way.

Although the play was good the score was very one-sided with AFHQ coming out on top 7-1. Airforce went into an early lead scoring 4 times to Army's once in the first period. The second period was fairly even with neither team scoring.

Airforce came up with 3 goals to Army's nil in the last period and that was the finish.

It was a good start for the hockey season and things look like Rockeliffe will be having one of their best hockey seasons.

## BADMINTON

by F/O Bernie Kuhn

Badminton tapered off a little bit during the holidays, but the drill hall was generally available and a few players were always out with the rackets.

A challenge has been sent to Station Trenton for a badminton tournament, and the Ottawa YMCA owes us a return downtown. The station inter-unit tournament will be held later in the season. Players should keep in shape and practice for these coming tournaments.

The drill hall will be available Saturday afternoons, now, which gives us Monday 1800-2000 hrs, Tuesday 1800-2200, Thursday 1800-2000, Saturday 1330-1630, Sunday 1330-1630 and 1800 to 2200 hrs. Guests are allowed on Sundays.

## BOWLING

by Cpt McNamara

The eerie noises emanating from the lean-to's along the south and west sides of the Station Drill Hall, are ample proof of the enthusiasm of our many "trundlers", as they try by devious means to get that elusive "fourpin". There are thirty-two teams participating in the Station Bowling League, made up from various units on the station. One group of eight bowls every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. Each Friday night at 8 o'clock the Cottage League gets under way. This is a mixed league and as a unique feature husbands and wives cannot play for the same team.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday in the alleys along the west side, is for "Ladies Only". On these nights the alleys resound with all manner of sounds as the Members of the Station Women's Auxiliary turn out in great force.

Each Monday night, the most keenly contested league of all holds forth: the Inter-Area League. This League has posted some of the largest scores in the History of Bowling on the Station.

On Tuesday night from six to eight the bowlers of the future are to be seen in action when the Teenage Group shows their interest in this popular pastime.

The station Bowling League has just completed a Christmas Chicken Roll-off. The players were divided into eleven groups according to their averages and the winner in each group won his Christmas dinner, as follows:

Group	Average		
1	137	Ferrel	530
2	144-150	MacAskil	564
3	151-155	Donolly	589
4	155-160	Patri	618
5	160-164	Mitchell	600
6	165-171	McKinnon	709
7	172-175	Anderson	643
8	176-182	Taylor	628
9	184-189	Alexander	691
10	190-199	MacDonnell	702
11	200-	Gibb	727

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# SCOUTS and CUBS

by JIM WORRALL



"Ring out the old  
Ring in the new,  
'53 as a challenge awaits us,  
Into history goes '52!"

Yes, history was made last year at least in the 54th Group of the Ottawa District, Boy Scouts Association. So many events worthy of note took place that to list them here would fill the "Record" over and over again—however, to recall a few of the more memorable events of the past twelve months, let us reflect for a moment or two.

January through early Spring found the Pack busily collecting old papers and magazines on Station Rockcliffe. After selling two or three loads to local dealers, the bottom fell out of the market and it became quite an unprofitable deal, but not before a heartbreaking loss of about six or seven tons through water seepage. Easter came upon us and found the Cubs selling chocolates by the box—and they did well too! One family (the Orths) will not soon forget pulling a very wet and muddy Cub-son out of the quagmire in area 6, wiping the dirt off of his six chocolate boxes and then having to purchase and eat the candy themselves—the children thought it fine—but it was another case of "Papa who pays!"

May 16 & 17 was the "Age of Make Believe" show held at the Coliseum in Ottawa when 2000 Cubs gathered together to present a terrific show for the public. There were such acts as "Pioneers and Indians", St George and the Dragon"

the musical "Ride of the Hobby Horses" the rhythmic "Twirling Baton", our own pride and joy "Off to the Fire", and we can't forget the monster "Grand Howl" with the deafening cry of 2000 live-spirited Cubs raising the rafters of the building. As Mr. John Dalrymple of the Ottawa Journal said, "They've (the Cubs) got plenty of talent, plenty of energy, plenty of noise, and a surfeit of enthusiasm!" Our boys even walked off with nineteen prizes from the hobby show.

The 24th of May dawned clear and warm—with 47 bright-eyed, enthusiastic Cubs and nine fathers tagging sleepily behind, waiting to start off on the Annual Spring Ramble. We chose the beautiful Gatineau Hills area, and journeyed by bus and car to enjoy a lovely day of fun and frolic. Father and son alike appreciated the outing and especially the wading in the cool fast-running waters of the mountain stream. One Cub even caught a small trout—bare-handed at that!

A delightful family picnic was held on the lawn of the Station Chapel June 6th, but no sooner had we started the races when the rains came! We hastily moved indoors, and although quite crowded, managed to get through the revised programme without mishap. Mayor Frank Falle presented special awards to Cubs who had shown good effort through the cubbing year—free

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# BROWNIE NEWS

by Gladys Gibb

Seventeen smiling little girls were enrolled as Brownies in the 54th Pack on December 15th.

They were: Pamela Taylor, Angela Smiley, Nicole Davis, Pamela McCready in the Fairy Six—Ann Armstrong, Marilyn McGladry, Diane Clarkson, in the Sprite Six—Lynda Abbott, Hollis Ralph, Gale Edgar, Penny Seguin in the Gnome Six—Barbara Cook, Margery Furnell, Frances Falle in the Little People Six—Lynda Rynard, Patricia Barrett, Cheryl Lewis in the Elf Six.

Other presentations included A Golden Bar to Gail Gemmel, a House Orderly Badge to Monique Chartier, second year service stars to Carol Woods and Janet Langlois, and first year stars to Sandra Chase, Doreen Gibb, Patsy Lavigne and Dianne Cook.

The leaders of the pack wish to express their gratitude to the Mother's Committee who served delicious refreshments to the Brownies and their guests, the Mothers.

Thank you Tawny Owl Lola Hunter, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Furnell and Mrs. Abbott for the wonderful help you are giving me.

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trips to Camp Opemikon were awarded to Harry "Galloping" Lewis, Harold "The Dark Horse" Charters, and Graham Reads (who was runner up in Operation Mexico). Randy Hunter (now a Scout) won a wonderful all-expense holiday tour to the country south of the Rio Grande. The smiles on the faces of the winners, coupled with the enthusiastic display of hand-shaking and cheering by other Cubs and Parents, helped make the whole programme seem worthwhile.

To be continued next week

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This is the first of a series on *Station Trade Advancement*. If any of you has any question on any aspect of *Trade Advancement* please write to /O McDonald, care of *The Record*, and he will be answered in future articles.

To all of the personnel, regular staff and part-time "Passers-out" of the trade "Gen" who have toiled away in the TA-Centre, this column is respectfully dedicated.

Of all the memories that the instructors will carry away with them with respect to their experience in the section, probably the most pertinent one will be with reference to the ringing of telephones. Alexander Graham was fortunate in that he had only one "Bell" to his name whereas we have two, and believe me they make their presence known every minute, or maybe it just seems that way.

Now if 'phones ring there must be someone ringing them, and by the same logic, the people who ring them must have some query or question to which TAC holds the answer. It is with the idea of attempting to explain this search for information that this article is being written. What goes on at TAC that requires so many calls? What are the types of questions that come in? How does it happen that so many of Rockcliffe's personnel spin their dials to the combination that jars our peace and quiet with the harsh summons that raises the cry, "Answer-the-'phone".

The first type of call is the "General-information-call". In this category we have had queries all the way from—"What is "Annealing" through to - "What is "Xenophobic! So far no one has been stopped by 'Zymurgy', but since it deals with the process of brewin we may expect it any day. Pardon me, Dear Reader - there goes the phone and I must away. You see what I mean!

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### Bowling . . .

(from page 8)

In order that the other side of the household might contribute their own share to the extra festivities of Christmas without fear of too much fowl, the Women's Auxilliary League staged a similar roll off for a cash prize of \$3.00 for each winner in their group.

Group	Average		
1	110-	Mrs L Lavigne	454
2	114-120	Mrs A Lowry	442
3	121-126	Mrs V Gold	602
4	128-135	Mrs B MacAuly	549
5	136-145	Mrs J Capuano	596
6	146-153	Mrs B Faulkner	627
7	153-158	Mrs J Clow	637
8	161-172	Mrs N Charters	580
9	175-	Mrs M Waite	645

There are still open dates for casual bowling: West side alleys—Wednesday, Thursday—6.15 to 8.00 p.m.

Friday—6.15 to 10.00 p.m.

Price with a pin setter—10c per game.

On Friday nights from 6.15 to 8.00 the alleys on the south side are open—prices the same.

You may procure bowling shoes at the alleys.

For any information regarding the bowling alleys, call Sgt. N. Alexander or Cpl. McNamara at Local 275 from 8.00 to 5.00

N. Alexander after hours — SH 6-4634  
G.A. McNamara after hrs. — SH 6-1446

### FLYING CONTROL

Sgt John Longhurst arrived home on Xmas Leave Dec 22 and will be returning to Mississippi Jan 2 accompanied by his wife.

LAC Jack O'Keefe returned Dec 23, and having completed his course, will be remaining here, for awhile anyway.

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A smart Alecky young man sauntered over to a policeman on duty at a busy street corner and asked: "Say, are you a policeman?"

"No," reorted the cop, "I'm a plain-clothesman."

"Then why are you wearing your uniform?"

"This," explained the officer, "is my day off."

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## WOMAN TO WOMAN

Hi Mary -

Never let it be said that you have no sense of humour. That story about the girl telling her friend she had lost four pounds, whereupon her friend said "Turn around, I think I've found them" achieved the desired reaction. It couldn't miss after mentioning that YOU had lost four pounds.

Did you try the quick type meal I mentioned last week? We had baked potatoes last Sunday, and they always look so dreary to me the next day. This time I got smart, peeled and diced them, heated them in cream sauce and just before serving put a garnish of crumbled, crisp bacon on top. It certainly did away with the old stand-by, frying, and proved that they would even fit into 'company dinner.

Yes, I guess most wives are efficient. Anyway, didn't you know that a wife is a person who can look in the top drawer of a dresser and find a man's handkerchief that isn't there?

There was a committee meeting the other night and I asked Marg Duggan about a recipe for you. This "Whackey Cake" appeals to me since there is no dishwashing attached to making it. It's made in the pan you bake it in - good eh? There's no eggs in it and you mix it with a fork - that's the secret of its success, apparently. Put a sifter in an 8 x 8 cake pan and into it put: 1½ cups of cake flour, 1 tsp. of soda, 1 tsp. of baking powder, 3 tbsp. of cocoa, and 1 cup of sugar. Sift and add, in the pan, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 tbsp. vinegar, and 5 tbsp. of melted butter. Mix this a little and then add 1 cup of lukewarm water. Mix with the fork till smooth. Bake in 395 degree oven about 35 - 40 minutes. You can tell when it's done anyway, by usual methods for any cake. Marg says she makes it often and it's very good. Sounds like just the thing when you're in a hurry and no time to wash up after.

You know, in early American days the colonists grew herbs and sprinkled them on aging meat to disguise its flavour. As people moved about, growing herbs seemed too much trouble, and cooking with them was too fancy frontier life. They vanished from gardens and kitchens and a generation ago most people would have refused to season their food with anything except salt and pepper, mustard and catsup. But in the last few years herbs have once more become popular as a part of cooking.

Though packaged herbs are now sold in many stores, many gourmets and gardeners prefer to grow their own - for the sake of the fresh flavour they bring to cooking and the fragrance and

delicate colour they bring to gardens. Where there is no space for a garden, a window box will supply a family's needs. Both annual and perennial herbs grow best under full sun in slightly acid soil. Annuals should be planted as soon as the danger of frost is past. Except for oregano, which must be very carefully nurtured, the herbs can be grown easily in most parts of the country. Cut in the morning before the sun dries the flavourful oils, herbs may be used fresh in summer. Or they can be dried and packaged for a winter supply. For imaginative cooks, learning to use herbs is an unending process.

Have a million things to do, so must close for this time.

As ever,  
Jan.

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

by Mrs R.A. Simons

The Executive and Convenors will hold their monthly meeting Monday, January 12th, at Mrs. E.J.W. Higgins' House 43, Area 1. Please try to attend since there are several important things to discuss.

Owing to the holidays, the Bridge Club cancelled their meeting of January 6th. It will have its first meeting of the new year on Tuesday, January 19th in the Teachers' Room of the Woodfalle School at 8.30 p.m. New members are welcome, so come out and join us for an evening of Bridge.

Mrs. R.R. Sisk deserves special mention on the wonderful job organizing the Children's Christmas Parties. Well done, Theo.

Mrs. Sisk would like to thank all the women who generously donated their time and effort. Her helpers had a busy time but did a very good days work.

The regular meeting of the Auxiliary will be on Monday, January 19th, at 8.30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Woodfalle School.

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## SCHOOL NEWS

### KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

..Many enquiries have been received regarding new enrolments in the Kindergartens,, and the situation is not very promising. The four Grade I classes are filled to capacity with 115 pupils who will remain for the balance of the school year, and both morning and afternoon sessions of the two kindergartens are crowded with 114 children attending. To-date, we have accepted only those children whose birthdays were prior to 17 November, 1947.

However, with the sanction of the Inspector, the Senior Kindergarten will undertake to do the work of Pre-Primary grades and study elementary reading and number work to provide a good background for the Grade I course of study next year.



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### World . . .

(from page 7)

Yes! Boys will be girls, and Girls will be Boys! You don't believe me? Well it happened in the early part of December in Denmark. George Jorgenson, an American, had spent two years in the Army during the war. For personal reasons he thought that nature had made a mistake which he had to correct. After five major operations, and almost 2,000 (hormone) injections, in a Copenhagen hospital George became Christine, and according to official reports she has personality that's hard to beat and the best body of any girl you want to meet around our town. This is not true, you say? Well why don't you try it yourself? From this I gather that wives can really wear the pants from now on.

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### MOTTO OF THE MONTH

There's so much good in the worst of us,  
And so much bad in the best of us,  
That it doesn't become any of us,  
To speak ill of the rest of us.

# - "THROUGH THE KITCHEN WINDOW" -

## AREA 1 NEWS

by Margaret Houle

In the month of December, Area 1 said good-bye to S/L and Mrs. B.L. Robertson, and to Padre and Mrs. W. Hewitt, both of whom sail for England on January 9. We also said a big hello to S/L and Mrs. Don Dickson and family, and to S/L and Mrs. Gordon Bennett and family. The Dicksons have come from Lachine, and the Bennetts are with AMC.

On Christmas Eve, several of the youngsters of the west end Areal went carolling, along with Mrs. Presidente, and Mrs. Christie. They had been practising for about a month, so were in fine voice. The singers were Billy Rodgers, Janie and John Bothwell, Paul, Peter and Patric Presidente, Jon Greenway, and Jack and Cameron Christie. After a job well done, the young carollers were served refreshments at Mrs. Christies.

On December 30th, Mrs. W. Loynes had a tea in honor of Mrs. Robertson.

G/C Stephenson and family moved into the CO's house No. 1 on the 5th of January. Welcome!

## AREA 3 NEWS

by Jan Simons

There seemed to be lots of parties over the Holiday Season in our area. Several couples were "At Home" to their friends: F/L and Mrs. D.G. Doyle on December 30th. New Years Eve they entertained at a Cocktail Party.

F/L and Mrs. W.J. White were "Home" Boxing Day, also F/O and Mrs. D. McDonald, F/L and Mrs. S.G. Fleming, and F/O and Mrs. R.A. Simons.

December 23rd, F/O and Mrs. D.R. Dewer had a "Moose Milk" Party for their friends. S/L and Mrs. W.H. Smith served cocktails Christmas Eve. Christmas Day, F/O and Mrs. S. Mason spent the day with various couples who dropped in to see them.

New Years Eve was a special celebration for F/O and Mrs. S.T. Clements who not only saw the New Year in with their friends, but also made merry on the occasion of Mrs Clements' birthday January 1st.

New Years Day was "Open House" at the home of F/O and Mrs. J.P. Regimbal.

Pre-dance Cocktail Parties seemed to be the order of events for December 31st at F/L and Mrs. R.B.M. Langille's, F/L and Mrs. O.T. Adkins', F/L and Mrs. B.G. Kuhn's, and probably others who are too shy to 'fess up and get' in the news.

Area 3 welcomes three families into the fold. F/O and Mrs. W. Collins who moved from Cottage Row, F/O and Mrs. D.L. Temple, and F/L and Mrs. L.L. Wightman.

Mrs. G. Panasis is spending a month with her two children, Doug and Carol, at the home of her parents in Trenton.

## AREA 3 LOSING MANY ON TRANSFERS

F/O and Mrs. H.J. Robertson report Jan. 5th at Muroe, California. F/L and Mrs. C.A. Green are now in Montreal. Mrs. J.E. Sled has joined her husband, F/L Sled, in London. F/L G.F. Sander-son is leaving Jan. 2nd for London. F/L and Mrs. T.H. Everson are sailing Jan. 14th for England for a 2 year period. F/L and Mrs. T.A.R. Harris leave about Jan. 19th for Clinton, where Tar reports on the 24th as an Instructor..

S/L and Mrs. J. Fewell have just moved to Area 3 from Weston. Jimmy is with C.E. & P.E.

S/L and Mrs. Weir are also new arrivals from Edmonton. "Bounce" is now with 408 Squadron.

F/L and Mrs. J. Menton are back from Clinton. Mrs. J.A. Portt, Windsor, spent Christmas with her daughter and son-in-law, S/L and Mrs. W.H. Smith. F/L and Mrs. O.T. Adkins had Mrs. Adkin's mother, Mrs. E.F. Hanbidge, of Toronto for Christmas.

On Dec. 10th, Mrs. O.T. Adkins entertained friends and fellow teachers of Miss Mary McRea, at kitchen shower. Miss McRea is leaving at Christmas to be married to Mr. R. Milsap, Brantford.

## AREA 5 NEWS

by Mrs. Theo Sisk.

Among those spending the holiday out of town with relatives and friends were: Sgt. & Mrs G Courier and Ralph to Toronto.

Lac & Mrs M Thomas and Bobby to Renfre.w

Cpl & Mrs R Morrison and family to Cornwall.

Cpl & Mrs Maurice and family to Mon-treal.

Cpl & Mrs S Wenslawik and family to Hamilton.

Out of town guests included Mr & Mrs B Pollock Victoria BC, guests of Cpl & Mrs R Morrison.

Miss Joan Sisk and Mr J Roy of Montreal guests of Sgt & Mrs RR Sisk.

Friends of Mrs E Godin regret to learn that she is undergoing treatment at St Michael's Hospital Toronto.

## ARENA 6 NEWS

by "Ron" Charman.

Owing to a Pre-Christmas and Christ-mas holiday in the big city, I mean To-ronto of course, (no remarks please) yours truly was unable to compete with fellow reporters from other areas in the first issue of the "Record". I hope in future to keep abreast of our local hap-penings.

Best wishes to Sgt. Alex McKay and his family who are leaving for Moncton, Chatburn for France and Mrs. Chatburn to her parents in Scandinavia, Manito-ba. To Cpl. Vic More and family who have left us to take up life in a civilian capacity, in Toronto, and Cpl. R.A. Jenkins to Greenwood N.S., all the best.

To our new arrivals F/S Bowland from Vancouver by way of Eastview, Sgt. Da-genais of A.M.C., L.A.C. Baker from T.M.Q., a great big welcome.

L.A.C. "Tiny" McLean, back home from the hospital, is doing fine and doing his best to keep his "Better Half" in bed and resting, but with a family of boys is it possible Joan?

Mrs. W. Newman spent a short time in the hospital prior to Christmas but managed to get home for the festive season.

Mrs. R.B. Tait gave a farewell tea on Friday, 2nd January for Mrs. V. More. A gift of a cup and saucer and stationery was presented to Mrs. More on her de-parture.

That's it for this week friends, hope I haven't missed any newcomers or any of our friends who have left us.

## AREA 7 NEWS

by Mrs. G. Chartier

There have been two transfers in our area as far as I was able to find out, F/S C.W. Robinson to Greenwood, complete with family, and Sgt. Archer went to Saskatoon. We have three families who left Cottage Row to join us: F/S and Mrs. J.M. McDonnell, F/S and Mrs. J. M. Birch, and WO2 and Mrs. J. Fraser. May we say we are very happy to have you in our midst.

F/S T. Richard was home on leave from Portage La Prairie for Christmas.

Sgt. and Mrs. R.C. Jones spent their Christmas leave in Toronto.

WO2 and Mrs. R.C. Pambrun both won door prizes at the Sgts. Mess New Years Party; how does it feel to be so lucky, "Corky"?

January 3rd was the scene of a House Warming at Sgt. and Mrs. P. Mangione's. It was also a Welcome Party for WO2 and Mrs. J. Fraser to Area 7.

Mrs. R.A. Goss would like to express her heartfelt THANKS to LAC Slauen-white who found her purse in the Post Office and returned it to her. It's nice to know that we still have honest people in this old world of ours.

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# AROUND THE UNITS

## Photo Christmas Party

by Axl O'Byrne  
Axl MacRae

The Photographic Establishment came up this festive season with ample proof of what fun can be had without the help of carloads of "joy-juice" or the aid of reefers, with a bang-up programme of entertainment in the station theatre, supplemented with lots of food and the customary turkey and bottle draws.

The festivities moved into full swing with Sgt. Howie and his aide piping the parade of PE personnel through the spacious halls of the White House and into the theatre led by the OC where the tables were set up at the front laden with refreshments.

The party commenced with the draw for a 35mm camera, won by LAC Robertson, several turkeys, a duck, boxes of chocolates and bottles of Christmas cheer. S/L Stuart officiated at the draw with "Ernie Crisp", the Unit WO, proving that draws "can" be fixed by winning two years handrunning. The OC also won so it must be so.

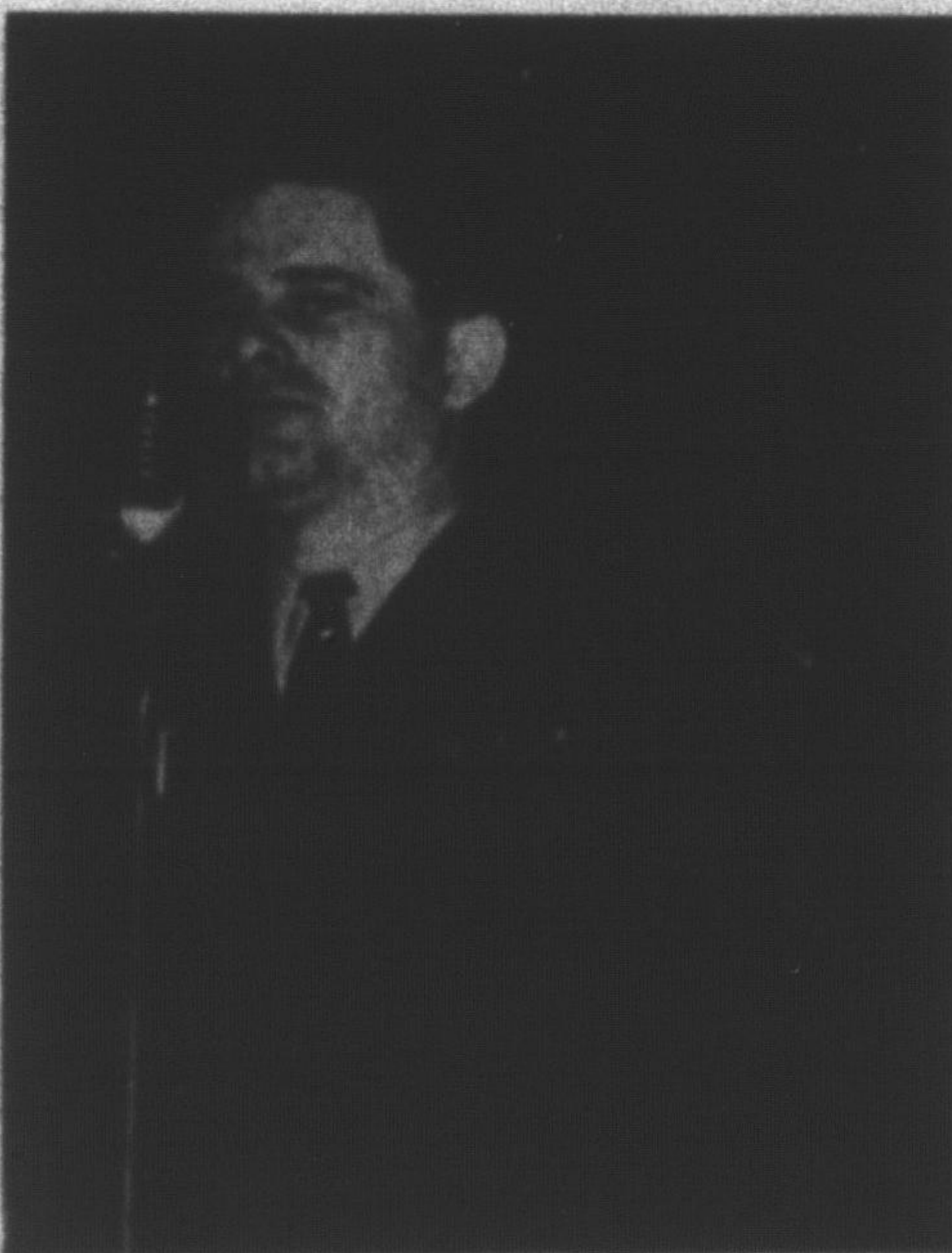
Cpl "Ted" Hackett ably MC'd a very enjoyable concert period which brought to light much hidden talent (and some that should have stayed hidden") of PE personnel, aided by Cpl Norm Stone of Telecom, at the piano who allowed his arm to be twisted into bringing the house down with a few of his boogie woogie numbers.



Sparkling "Sally" Adams stole the show with her vivacious songs and twinkling eyes, and teamed up with AC1 Kelly of HQ for a very clever number after Kelly had brought the house down with a few solo tap numbers.

Quiet Cpl Mitchell outdid himself, appearing with the WD's Spike Jones aggregation under the direction of 'Spike' Fortin.

An unidentified ANM swapped corn with an airwoman from PE, and the PE airwoman came up with a very clever rendition about life at IPE in a Gilbert and Sullivan theme. Lets have more of this.



The suprise of the afternoon was the very able crooning by "Sinatra" Wally Finkle, our orderly room NCO, who had the gals literally swooning in the aisles as he rolled through several tender ballads. We also enjoyed the guitar playing of one of our newer lads, LAC Tomlin and the good old songs by the lads o' 2PS.

## COMM — NEWS

by LAC Gord Mitchell

The local "wheel" of the section is S/L Calow. He and the smaller "wheels", Sgts Plytka and Lohnes are blessed with the task of keeping the horde of telecom personnel in proper functional order. (We use the term loosely!) This horde consists of some thirty corporals and AC's whose only desire is to keep the wheels from running too smoothly. Some of you should be around when some transfers roll in from command or on clean-up nigt. You would really understand what I mean, and furthermore would get a real kick out of it (probably where it hurts most too!) But let us not forget our dearly beloved Airwomen, four in number, who also have our sergeants putting on their collars backwards when they wish to take an-

## SUPPLY SECTION NEWS

Now that Christmas and New Years is a thing of the past until next December rolls around, we can get back to normal again after the bills are paid. However, to relieve the thought of bills for a few moments the Supply Section Editor has scraped up the following bits of supply gen which he is passing along your way.

With the cold January weather right upon us the main thought of the majority of perosnnel is keeping warm, so in order to eliminate many questions on clothing parade, which incidently now commences at 16.45 hrs. here is the most recent we have from the clothing stores note book.

### Greatcoats

Yes, its quite true that a few of the 'lucky sized boys' are wearing the new pattern greatcoats in the Ottawa Area, AMC did not order all sizes and large stocks of the old style still exist. Well you know the rest.

### Overshoes

Clothing stores have received only two sizes of the new type goloshes, so like the greatcoats the old type must be issued.

### Towels Bath

(Something new) Stock of Ref. 22R/130 Bath towels have been demanded on No 18D and should be available in the near future for issue to airmen and airwomen. The scale calls for each 2 per person.

### New type No. 5 Uniforms Serge Blue

This uniform is really the last thing in a smart dress, no buttons to shine, lots of pockets, fits like a glove and is more comfortable than civies, and as far as we can see there is only one hold up and that is that AFHQ haven't given the Depots the O.K. to issue until all old stocks are completely used up.

Our Tailor Cpl. Roger Fauvel will soon be on his way over the wide Atlantic, best of luck Roger and try to hurry Cpl. Fillian over to Rockcliffe to start up business in Rockcliffe station tailor shop.

With the beginning of a New Year, Rockcliffe station has new ideas, "Yes Sir" the airwomen are now going to do their part on Station detail by replacing the airmen in the sports stores.

"Boys" be sure and keep your mind on the game you are playing and not the cute little Airwomen over in the sports stores wicket.

We welcome A/W2 Casselman and LAC Gregory to the Supply Section staff and hope you like your new surroundings.

nual leave so they can see their boy-friends, or exchange shifts because they have a date with their one and only.

# AROUND THE UNITS

## EXPERIMENTAL EXCERPTS from CEPE

by F/L Bernie Kuhn

Photo Section had a trip to Nova Scotia in December to photograph the Straits of Canso. F/L Jack Henry, F/L Fos Fisher, F/O Ken Mitchell, Cpl Lafleur, and LAC's Metson and Mercier crewed up in the Mitchell and arrived in Sydney alright, but the weather socked in and there they sat for seven days. They helped pass the time by visiting Dominion Steel and No. 18 coal mine and then did the photography in two clear days. The operation was for Maritime Research Foundation and was directed by Dr. Cameron.

The Ice Wagon has been grounded in Montreal lately, but between the 1st and 9th of December it picked up a record quantity of ice, 29 inches on flights out West.

F/S Wilkes has been a frequent visitor to Wireless section lately. We're not sure whether he was scrounging or just telling F/S Mitchell about the goose hunting in Goose Bay.

S/L Russell's dial and pitot boys have been testing the Canadian homing and distance indicator in the CF100 at Uplands. The self-propelled energizer, developed on CEPE Instrument section ideas and initiative, has been accepted by AMC.

F/O Ed Savary and his Armament crew were brought back from Watson Lake 18 Dec. by North Star 501. They had been there one month doing fighter firing tests. Those 25 below mornings were pretty brisk, too.

CEPE says so long to LAC Robbs, Sgt Vinall, F/S Harwood, Sgt Moffatt, AC1 Templeton, LAW Gregory, F/O Robertson, AW Kitty Smith who were posted or transferred. Greetings to newcomers S/L WA Goodall, AW1 TE Nash, AC2's JRE ST Jacques, GH Large, PE Beaueage and L Bayer.

Electronics section completely packed up for Christmas when everyone went on leave, but was back in the running Jan 2 to start 1953 busily with new projects.

The Aeronautical engineers did not have anything astounding to report, but were looking forward to seeing S/L Goodall on Monday the 5th. On Jan 2 in the library, Miss McDonald and Miss Clark had big smiles and looked pleased with everything, doubtless a result of happy holidays.

CEPE moved next door to Winnipeg & Edmonton in December as F/L Doug Biden and Cpl Don Barkley made history in a CF100.

They flew the 1,100 mile first leg to Winnipeg in two hours and forty-nine minutes, the longest jet flight ever made in Canada. Their average speed was 470 m.p.h.

The aircraft was bound for CEPE Detachment at Namao, near Edmonton. From Winnipeg to Edmonton the CF100 travelled 750 miles in a mere one hour and thirty-eight minutes. This speed comes to 510 m.p.h. which is not whistling "Dixie".

## COMMUNICATION CAPERS

by D.H.L.

Guess what? The airwomen of HQ Telecom are finally getting the transfers they have been yearning for. AW Audrey Aitkinson is getting a government sponsored expense free trip to sunny France (2 FWHQ to be exact) and she expects to be departing in March. Audrey and Rosemary Kent both wanted the trip so our erstwhile Sgt Steve Plytka tossed a coin and so Audrey will be taking the trip; better luck next time Rosemary. Two of our radio operators, AW "Suds" Sutherland and WA "Bunny" Reed have been selected for a trip to the land of the midnight sun, namely Whitehorse and there is no holding them back. Reporting dates have not been announced as yet but I hope they are soon so they will stop asking me when they can leave, not that they aren't happy here but the call of the north has already gone out to them, and they aren't deaf you know. Here is wishing you good luck girls and don't over indulge in the over proof up there...

Two of our airmen are going after the airerew offerings, namely AC1 Hopkins (the magician) and AC1 Uddenberg. Good luck lads and keep em flying. . . . Another four of our lads are soon departing for Whitehorse (lucky fellows) they are LAC Udal, LAC Derepentigny, AC1 Mooney and AC1 Moyee—all radio operators, sorry to see you boys go but when you gotta go you gotta go . . . .

Enuff said this time so C.U. next week . . . .

## TELE-TECH TOPIX

LAC Phil Belgrave

The New Year, which had such a promising start, is not looking too attractive now to many fellows in this section. Dazed expressions, sore heads and limp wallets seem to be the inevitable aftermath of New Year revelry. However, let's hope the hangover won't be too prolonged.

Highlight of the pre-Christmas celebrations was the Annual Telecom Christmas Party, which was well attended and a big success. Special thanks are due to AW Nancy (litle Nap) Robinson and Sgt Steve Plytka, who handled the tough job of organizing the dance. Also, to LAC Hopkins (HQ Sigs), who served up a diverting series of magical tricks. We would all like to see Hoppy prestidigitating again, but at closer range.

The Shoran section has been welcoming more new comers this week, and expects a lot more before the Summer Operations begin. The latest additions are: AC's Earl Hickson, Gordon Depotie and Ken Clark.

Welcome back, Cpl "Mo" Dickinson, who was surprised to read in the last Topix article that he'd been posted to St Hubert. Somebody musta boobed, Mo.

## A.F.H.Q. Practice Flight

by M. Leedham

We have some very sad news this week. Our hard working OC/F/L O'Callaghan has been transferred to RCAF Station Rockcliffe, and you lucky people, he is going to be your new C AD O. We have no replacement for the position as yet but F/O Mason will be our acting OC until Training Command can supply us with an Officer to take over this small but important unit.

Another departure from our unit was F/L Sanderson who has gone to London Ontario to help select our future Officers.

In the way of arrivals we have F/O Jameson to take Mr Sanderson's job as an instructor. Mr Jameson hails from bonnie Scotland, so in the near future PF will be going to work in kilts. Our other addition is AC1 Scott who is going to try and clean up all our engine troubles. Scott is at home in Ottawa so there won't be any extra rush at the Laurentian Terrace because of him.

Cpl Clark, the Captain of our hard fighting bowling team, is holding up the name of Chinooks. He states that they are running hot at the present time and warms the other teams in "A" league to watch our smoke.

We have had a very cold spell the last two weeks. It has been noticed over here by the presence in our hangar of a B17 and the C5. The boys have asked me to close this article with prayer for a long warm Chinook.

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## Trade Advancement . . .

(from page 10)

The second type of call deals with Trade Boards and Trade Tests, and seriously speaking, this is where the main brunt of our work lies. I wonder if there are ten tradesmen on the station who know what lies behind the appearance of an individual's name on the Trade Test eligibility list, and how it is that F/S Birch casually tells the caller that he is due for Trade Board 15 Mar 53 and the effective date of his present grouping is 4 Feb 53. It is no great secret, but it does require some careful and tedious organization.

In the TA Centre there is a card maintained on each tradesman who has not reached maximum grouping. These cards are raised as soon as an airman's name appears in DRO's as being TOS the station. Once a week these new cards are taken to the Orderly Room and the Individual's R331 is checked and from it is transcribed all the information relevant to his trade history, ie, course, trade, group, trade failures, exemptions, and any other facts that will add to our trade knowledge of the airman. In this operation we learn one of the most important items regarding the tradesman; the effective date of the grouping he now holds. So now we have a record of the man and we are ready to take the next step in his TA programme.

## CLASSIFIED

### DEATH

Sympathy is extended to F/L and Mrs. K. McKenzie who recently lost their infant son Bruce.

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Most of our wood workers are regular customers but for those who have not been to the shop before, it is worth a visit. We have the wood, tools, and good instructors; if you can spend a little time you can have smart custom built furniture for your home. Remember most modern furniture is very simple to construct. Anyway, come along and see what some of the other fellows are doing, and even if you have never used tools before you will find that with help and advise you will be able to construct almost anything you would like for your home.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbours for their acts of kindness and sympathy in our recent bereavement in the loss of our infant son, Bruce.

F/L and Mrs. K.E. MacKenzie.

## BIRTHS

WO2 and Mrs. L.J. McMahon have a daughter now.

Sgt. and Mrs. T. Powell are the proud parents of a son.

To F/L and Mrs. JC Henry—a daughter  
F/L and Mrs. K.A. Wark — a boy.

Cpl. and Mrs. L. Bergland — a boy

Cpl. and Mrs. R. McKee — daughter,  
December 16th.

LAC and Mrs. "Pinky" Mitchell —  
daughter, December 23rd.

FS and Mrs. Spear Area 7 a girl.

Sgt and Mrs. Danforth Area 7 a girl.

Sgt and Mrs. McCaig Area 7 a girl.

Sgt and Mrs. Russ McKee Area 8 a girl

## THANK YOU

Mrs. Della Friday wishes to thank the members of the Snack Bar Staff, the Womens Bowling League, and all her friends for the flowers and cards they sent while she was in the hospital.

## FOUND

In the store, a Lady's wrist watch. Owner may have same by identifying. Phone 5-7246.

## LOST

At the Sgt's Mess on New Year's Eve, a bracelet with blue stone and blue rhinestone band and gold chain, by Mrs. E. Tolson of House 56 Area 6.

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## World . . .

(from page 11)

Canada will recommend adoption of the following title for the Queen, Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith. The main changes so far as Canada is concerned, is the substitution of the phrase "her other Realms and Territories" for the present wording "the British Dominion beyond the seas. This follows a recent practice in Canada dropping the word "dominion" from all official government documents and simply using the designation "Canada".

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## BONNE SANTE

The accolade of fame is an honour which may sometime be conferred upon a few who neither expect nor desire it. Among the latest members to be admitted to this exclusive order of modest celebrities is none other than the author of "Bonne Sante".

This special feature, you may recall, commenced on a solemn note of complete anonymity. With the exception of a select group of V.I.P.'s who comprise the editorial staff, the secret concerning the author's identity was believed to be impregnable. Regardless of all security measures however, several readers seem to have pierced the Iron Curtain—so to speak. On the very day that the first issue was delivered, I was called upon at the bar (of justice—it is hoped) to plead either guilty or otherwise to a charge of aiding and abetting in the production of "Bonne Sante". Just whether this information leaked through the mysterious channels of the grape-vine or managed to filter its way through the exhilarating effects of the grape-juice itself, is a matter upon which the results of further investigations has yet to decide. But from whichever source it arrived, a special appeal is made. One may enter a restaurant and request

directed to those in possession of this top secret to mercifully refrain from having others suffer the fate which you were obliged to endure upon discovering the identity in question. What is perhaps equally as important is that a little hush hush may enable the object of all this excitement to retain his somewhat dubious reputation as an author—for the time being, at all events.

This week's discussion will deal with a direct answer to a criticism delivered to me in person. One person was quite frank in his dislike for the Manhattan recipe. It didn't taste right, he said. The point to which your attention is respectfully drawn is that a Cocktail or mixture of any description is, at the very most, a highly glamorized version of the base from which it is made, Rye, Rum, Gin and etc. The beauty of such drinks is that they may be prepared to your individual taste. You can either add or delete accordingly. There is no attempt to convey an impression in that "Bonne Sante" recipes constitutes the law governing such matters. A minimum of preparation for a certain

## AREA 8 NEWS

by Mrs. Mary Clark

Mrs. M. Crawford, Hornell Drive, entertained her knitting club recently. The members exchanged gifts and a lovely lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rae and family spent Christmas with relatives in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Muray Leedham and Linda spent the holiday in Prestcott.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Fortier spent Christmas in Montreal.

Mr. F. Garner, Toronto, spent the holiday with her daughter Mrs. Ray Claw and Mr. Claw.

Mrs. Peterson, McLeod Crescent, was the winner of the groceries at the local store last week.

Among the Area 8 men arriving home in time for Christmas were Sgt. H. Easy, Cpl. Jim Rae and Cpl. Blanchard.

dish which, upon being served, may possibly have additional seasoning added 'til the desired taste presents itself. So too, with cocktails. You follow any recipe but, it is suggested that the ingredients be apportioned to suit your individual palate. More anon.

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