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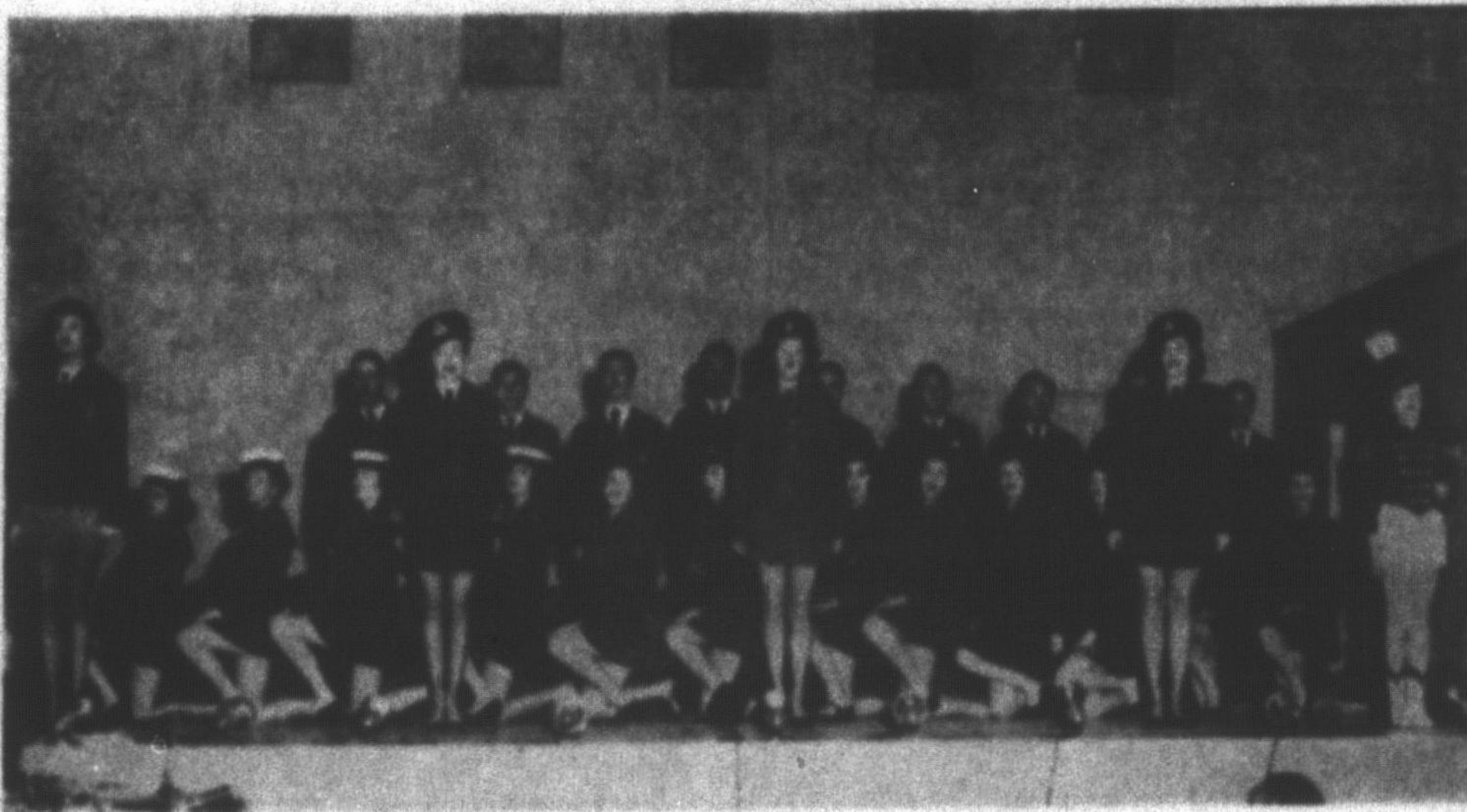
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LEGION REVIEW A BIG HIT



COMPLETE CAST IN GRAND FINALE

ON Saturday evening the Station personnel were fortunate in having the Quebec Command of the Canadian Legion present their Command Revue under the patronage of the Minister of National Defence. The audience, which included Major General Macklin, Capt. Finch-Noyes, and AVM Waite and their staffs, hugely enjoyed the revue under the capable guidance of Mr. Alex Soloman, Producer and Chairman.

The review although in existence for sometime has recently been re-organized and this was the third presentation of the new routines. They have performed before immensely enthusiastic audiences in Goose Bay and Greenwood, and rightly so for the organization, and presentation was excellent.

The cast includes a large variety of entertainers from the two shapely show girls who introduce the show and genial MC Johnny O'Neill whose gay patter and fast chatter keep things hopping and the audience clapping throughout the performance, through the singing and dancing acts, well directed under the qualified hands of Phyllis Collins and equally well costumed by Mabel Burns,

the many skits and comedy features directed by Jack Millam, to the grand Finale with the "troopers" in representative uniforms of the three services marching through the audience and to the stage for the final presentation, is a grand gathering of showmen and women who deserve much praise for their unstinting effort!

NEW PUBS. CENTRE

Ottawa, Jan. 27—An RCAF Publications Depot will be set up March 1 at RCAF Station Rockcliffe, it was announced today by Air Force Headquarters.

The new depot is being formed to control the procurement, warehousing, and distribution of stationery, forms, office appliances, draughting equipment and publications.

It will also house the personnel and equipment for the production of copy for RCAF publications, as well as act as a central reference library for the RCAF.

The new unit will be under the control of Air Materiel Command.

WORLD SPOTLIGHT

By Phil Catellier

Seaway soon — Canadian authorities now expect that work will begin on the all-Canadian St. Lawrence Seaway and an associated international power development some time this year. The Gut Dam, located between Galop and Adams Islands in the St.-Lawrence near Cardinal, Ont., has already been removed. The Seaway will be built by Canada and will lie on the Canadian side of the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes waterway, Canada and the United States will each put up \$225 millions for the harnessing of 13 billion kilowatt hours a year of power on the international Rapids Section. Canada will spend \$300 millions on the Seaway. When it is completed, the St. Lawrence Waterway will carry ocean vessels into the heart of the Continent more than 2,500 miles West of Newfoundland's Atlantic Coast. Ocean shipping stops now at Montreal, a thousand miles east of Fort William.

Canada-Japan — R. W. Mayhew has become Canada's first Ambassador to Japan since the end of World War II. As Minister of Fisheries he made history earlier this year on a trip to Japan. He negotiated with Japanese and American authorities, the establishment of a Canada-U.S.-Japan Joint Commission for the regulation of fisheries in the Pacific. It was the first time the historic principle of peaceful cooperation through standing boards, long respected by Canada and the United States was extended to take in an overseas nation.

Army's colorful new berets appear in city — Those fashion designers who have been agitating for more color and style in men's hats should be pleased with the new issue of berets in the Canadian Army. Recently members of the Canadian Army serving at Army Headquarters in Ottawa drew new head gear while other units across the country are receiving theirs as soon as local supply

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GARBAGE COLLECTORS?

Editor, The Record,

It is not the intention of this writer to introduce any unpleasantness in this publication, which until now has contained news items of a cheery nature, but surely this matter merits recognition.

The garbage collectors have become distributors of a mess of filth which extends along the streets and ditches by which we and our children must walk. Each Saturday sees a fresh layer of this filth being spread along our thoroughfares, however, if the weather permits, a soft fluffy layer of snow hides the disgraceful mess left by these "Collectors".

A personal observation revealed how slipshod and careless these "Collectors" have become. When an attempt to raise a bin of our neighbour's refuse failed to reach the body of the truck, and fell back onto the ground spilling out the contents, the observed person was seen to scoop up a few handfuls and deposit it in the bin; then tossed the bin up to the receiver in the truck with ease. With the ground now being littered with a good portion of the garbage, it made the task much easier, and so the empty can was dashed with disgust to the ground, to carry out distribution of the subject matter elsewhere. (Incidentally, the life of a garbage bin is short, unless you have a heavily built one; but then it would be too heavy to lift onto the truck and the contents would be spilled out in your driveway and yard — . . . Say! Where was I?).

This particular weekend the weather forecaster predicts rain and light snow flurries. Possibly by Sunday night that fluffy layer of snow will hide all evi-

dence of such shiftlessness! Yes, but what happens when the Spring thaw has melted this concealing blanket of whiteness? That this deplorable mess has already attracted rats has been proven by the presence of a dead body which some kind of animal deposited under my landing. So, when the snow has melted and various forms of garbage decorate our yards and entrances, and the sun begins to warm this filth to a dank stench, what house is going to be free of rats or germ infested flies? What better carriers are there for diseases? The conditions around TMOs are also unsightly. The sloppiness of the garbage "Collectors" is quite evident by the presence of strewn rubbish which cannot escape the eye due to its being openly situated on and below a large platform between the buildings.

Further distribution of this disease-packed litter is aided by man's best friend. But that is another subject which could do with more discussion than I have space at the present time.

Surely many other readers have witnessed this procedure of "Collectors" garbage and have experienced the clean-up which is necessary in maintaining a decently tidy yard.

Cpl FW Hills
Area 6

Editor's Comments: Our thanks to Cpl. Hills for his very appropriate letter. The CADO was approached on this matter and the result was a phone call to the Civic Sanitation dept. who have promised corrective action.

If any reader spots more of this carelessness in the future, we would appreciate a letter from them and then we can REALLY apply the pressure!

RAMBLING ROUND ROCKCLIFFE

by F/L J.R. Boucher

Kind of a quiet week around the Stn. except for F/O Don MacDonald and all the Flying Officers sweating it out at the Drill Hall. Now all the guys have to do is wait about two months for the results. . . . Relax boys, now its the F/L's turn.

Wonder what happened to winter at Rockcliffe. . . . The only happy crowd seem to be those poor people from the other side of the Rocks (where they grew the big apples). . . . They think all this rain and damp is great. . .

Looking over the records of the hockey game the other day we were surprised to see where a Presidente and a Smiley scored for our side. . . . I was positive that it must be S/L Paul's and FS Lloyd's sons who were banging them in. . . . A visit to the rink soon revealed that it was in fact the Old Boys who were cavorting and operating like a couple of eighteen years olds. . . .

Bill Burrige a rather corpulent referee, had quite an experience this past fall. . . . Never in the best of shape he followed a long run down the field arriving just in time to slap on a 15 yard roughing penalty. . . . All this exertion had fat Bill hanging on the ropes, when a wise guy remarked "That's a big penalty you just gave us Fat Boy". . . . Bill replied, "Wait till I get my breath back and you're gonna get a bigger one!"

The security regulations are tightening up the Station to a marked degree. Things are sure tough. . . Monday morning at 0845 hours while walking to work we found the gate leading to the stairs securely locked against the invasion of one and all. . . . Risking life and middle aged limbs we climbed the fence and hurried down to work, feeling for all the world like a first string saboteur.

QUESTIONS I DON'T EXPECT TO GET ANSWERED

Why do the airmen adopt the various items of dress going to and from their Mess Hall? And why don't the officers check up as they drive blithely by? . . . A little co-operation by all hands here could smarten up everybody in a hurry.

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Divine Service in Hospital - 0930 hours
Sunday School in Chapel - 1000 hours
(Note change in time and place)
Divine Service in Chapel - 1100 hours

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Sunday will be observed at the service of worship at 1100 hrs. next Sunday, when F/L D. H. Rayner will speak on the world-wide work of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The service will be conducted by S/L William Rodger.

It has been directed that each Protestant chapel in the RCAF should observe Bible Sunday once during the year, when the offering for the day will be given to the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Padre Rayner will also speak briefly to the Sunday School when it opens at 1000 hrs. Parents of small children are reminded that a nursery is provided to take care of the little ones while they attend the church service.

WORLD

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permits. However, it will be different from the traditional khaki head wear, for now each corps will have its own distinctive badge.

Canada-UK cheese deal—Britain is making \$1,500,000 of her scarce dollars available this year for the purchase of Canadian cheese. That country bought no Canadian cheese in 1952. The \$1,500,000 would carry roughly 5,000,000 pounds of Canadian cheddar at 30 cents a pound. These developments are apparently coming out of the recent Commonwealth Conferences in London.

Mitch Hepburn dies at 56—Mr. Hepburn premier of Ontario from 1934 to 1942 died in his sleep following an illness of about two days from a cold. He won international prominence as Liberal premier of Ontario at the age of 37. While in office he denounced and cancelled vast power agreements, challenged international waterways plans endorsed by Ottawa and the U.S. and went after millions of dollars in succession duties from great estates. His feud with Mackenzie King attracted the eyes of all Canada. His resignation in 1942 shook his party to its foundations. He fostered measures to save the Dionne quintuplets, now 18, from exploitation and closed up the lieutenant-governor's official residence in Toronto. He "house-cleaned" the Ontario civil service.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

SUNDAY MASSES: 0900 hrs & 1100hrs.
DAILY MASS: 0730hrs.

CONFESSIONS: 1900 hrs until 2030 hrs every Saturday (and the Eve of First Friday).

DEVOTIONS: Tuesdays at 2000hrs Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

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BAPTISMS: SUNDAY afternoon at 1400 or by special appointment.

The regular monthly meeting of the Chapel Guild will be held in the chapel on Monday, February 2nd, 1953 at 8 p.m.

INTERVIEWS: Since the Chaplain has various calls to make around the Station during the day, the wise thing to do is telephone Local 277 and make an appointment before coming to the office.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the morning Service (1100 hrs.) 8th February.

Pope announces change in celebration of mass—The Pontiff cited modern conditions as reason for the changes. Catholics believe that in the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Communion)—the most important part of the mass—they receive the body and blood of Christ. The Pope directed that taking of plain water no longer constitutes a breaking of the fast. Alcoholic liquids still may not be taken. The Pope also directed that mass, under certain circumstances, may be celebrated in the afternoon, thereby permitting attendance of persons who might not otherwise be able to go. He mentioned the needs of workers, particularly of those on night shifts. The announcement will be made official when it is issued by the Pope to the bishops of the world. At that time, the exact date of the change in the Eucharistic fast will be announced.

Twin shows signs he's on recovery road—Rodney Dee Brodie, born a Siamese twin, received a new skin graft Jan. 6th and showed some signs he is on the road to recovery. But his twin brother Roger, passed his 20th day in a coma and doctors held little hope for his survival. The 15-month-old twins, who had been born joined head to head, were divided in a day-long operation Dec. 17. The skin graft on Rodney was a follow-up operation to one performed a week ago. In the earlier operation, skin from Rodney's forehead and the sides of his head was used to cover three-fourths of his exposed brain top.

ADVERSITY BY THE STAIRS

Are you one of those unfortunate peasants, who through circumstances entirely beyond your control are compelled to ascend and descend eighty steps 4 times a day? Mathematically speaking 320 per day, approximately 2,000 per week.

The stairs have been the cause of many a brain storm—a lad from Supply suggested a toll escalator, another from PE suggested a chairlift or perhaps an elevator, the most recent was having a hungry St. Bernard with tow rope for the ascent and a bannister, without slivers, for the descent. A fagged civilian was able to purchase a car.

Only those who daily tread this gigantic structure of engineering skill know the terrible risks it involves, in the summer it sheds great slivers to those exhausted ones who falter and grasp for its rickety rails—in winter this long icy incline takes on ski-jump possibilities but for the ski-less trespasser it spells only broken bones, bruises, and red faces.

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By AW McRae and AW O'Byrne

There were a few loyal Scots quite "burned" up because the mess didn't serve haggis for Sunday dinner. The most disappointed airwomen seemed to be AWs Verreault, Oldhauser and Kislin-ski.

Welcome to AW MacDonald who just graduated from Camp Borden, she is attached to 412 sqdn here.

Marg. Stewart just received her commission—she sewed up her props last Thursday night.

A wedding of interest around the station is that of AW Dot MacLean and AC Bill Grant. They plan to be married in the station chapel on Feb. 6. Best of luck kids!

Norma Briggs why did you switch to "Camels"?

Briggs—Because I hate men!

Two former Rockcliffe airwomen visited our station this weekend, they were Bette Hicks and Ruth Johnston now on course at Camp Borden.

AW Lillian Nelson has returned after a 30-day leave in Chillawack, B.C. AW Braun is among us once more after three weeks leave in Halifax.

AW Lil Sinclair has been posted to St. John's—some people have all the luck.

Then there were the six airwomen who ushered at the Legion show because they'd been promised a free pass.

Question of the week—who owns the black cat who apparently doesn't know he's not allowed to be in a barrack block. QR(air). Owner please come and collect same.

THE YOUNGER SET

Teen-Age Club

On Tuesday, January 20, our bowling resumed after a fairly boring week of school and a rather interesting holiday weekend. The four teams, Thunderjets, captained by Bruce McGibbon; CF100's, captained by Guy Charbonneau; Flyers, captained by Joan Bennet, and the Comets captained by Sheena McGibbon dived for the same alleys which they occupied the last week.

We have arranged a schedule to prevent this in weeks to come. The teams will bowl on a different alley each in such a way that through a period of three months each person will have a chance to bowl twice on the same alley. Without any interruption bowling started and balls rolled noisily down the alleys. Teams of six bowlers were picked and jotted down on the score sheets. Two of the teams also listed their remaining players to allow them to bowl. Bob Harvey and myself, who are in charge of bowling, do not exactly like this system, so on Friday we hope to get a definite system arranged. The six bowler system in the time we are allotted has the advantage of allowing the bowlers to finish two strings each whereas the team with nine bowling can only manage about four frames of the second string. Also, the nine man team has the disadvantage that when your turn comes around you forget where you left off, and you pretty well lose interest in what is going on between your last turn and your next.

We hope to get a six-man team on each team bowling every night and then remove the lowest score and add up the rest for the total pinfall of the evening. Now, however, we bowl according to the team captain's wishes and the first five are totalled up to obtain the evening's total pinfall. This method has the disadvantage of the sixth person having a high score and therefore possibly losing the total pinfall of the evening. A system of points has been formed so that the highest team gets three points, the second team receives two points, the third team receives one point and the team at the end suffers by not receiving any points.

So far, the Flyers lead by six points, the Comets and CF100's are tied for second place each with three points, and last are the Thunderjets with no points at all. This week the Flyers came first with 648. The CF100's ran a close second with 633 and the Comets came third with 605. The Thunderjets came last with a not too high score of 409. The high singles were considerably higher this week and Joan Bennet won the Girls' high single with 207 and David Kluey won the Boys' high single with 202. Not very far behind. The two winners are both on the Flyers team.

On Friday our meeting came to order at 8.10 p.m. The minutes of the last

meeting were read and the treasurer gave her report. The President, Sheena McGibbon, read a few rules of the constitution drawn up by the Community Centres Organization which were agreed upon by the club members. It was agreed upon also that only five bowlers would bowl on a team each week so on the second string everyone else who had not bowled could bowl. Other business was brought up and discussed. The meeting was adjourned and at twenty to nine dancing commenced. There were several novelty dances with "satisfaction of winning" being the prizes. We hope however, in weeks to come to be able to have games with which those who are not dancing may play.

SPECIAL NOTICE:

The club would like four airmen who have spare time on Tuesday evenings to come and help us with our scoring. Their job would be to spend the evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. scoring and teaching scoring to a few members of our club. We would gratefully welcome any such assistance. Thank You.

Harvey Girard.

BALLET NOTES

Miss Beverly Bourguignon who substituted for Miss Cattanach last Saturday morning was very pleased with the Rockcliffe pupils and thought they were very kind and considerate of her. She thoroughly enjoyed herself, she is a member of the classical Ballet Company and an excellent dancer in her own right.

Mis Cattanach was dancing in the childrens' Concerts Ballet Saturday morning but Madame Fomine felt she could not be replaced.

Remember children the fee is now 25 cents. We will have to insist. We are sorry as I explained last week. It was too bad the weather was so terrible Saturday. The Baby class therefore was very small, the other classes were about average.

For Ballet lovers two Concerts are coming up of great interest. On February 11th at the Capitol Theatre—The Winnipeg Ballet. On March 4th—Technical School—The National Ballet (Canada) first official tour.

The week of April 27th—May 2nd. Ballet Festival—more about this later—Ottawa Little Theatre.

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PERSONALITY PAGE



Got a young lad around the house you don't know what to do with? F/S Sammy Martin is the logical man to take him off your hands for a while anyway.

This gray-haired, energetic veteran of the RCAF already has 31 boys in his Scout Troop at St. Luke's Anglican Church and with that many an extra one shouldn't make much difference. Thirteen years of this kind of work may have added to the gray hair but it hasn't dampened the enthusiasm of Sammy. He is one of those hapless people who seem doomed to take on more of other people's problems than their share should be. Besides his wife and a boy and girl (8 and 5 respectively) of his

own, he looks after his mother, mother-in-law, and sister. That, according to the book, should be a lethal combination but Sammy says it isn't so bad.

Born in Latchford, Ontario, Sam came to Ottawa at seven years of age and attended school here, finishing third form at the Commercial school on Kent Street in his sixteenth year. Neither a Government job at twenty cents an hour nor commercial work appealed to him so at the grown up age of seventeen he entered the foundry business. The main requirements for this job, according to Sam, were a strong back and a weak mind. After a year of this, however, he decided that the strong back quality, at least, was lacking and went into partnership

with his father, a contractor. Many of the store fronts and interiors in Ottawa, not to mention some of the houses, bear Sam's mark. In fact, he had just completed a house in Rockcliffe Village in 1940 when he decided to join the Air Force.

Coming in as AC2 in January, he trained as Air Frame Mechanic and was promoted to Flight Sergeant in 1942. At the war's end he reverted to Corporal and regained the rank of Flight Sergeant in 1950. He has recently taken the Comet Course in the U.K. and will shortly be engaged in that work in Canada.

Sam is 42 years old now and in his present rank has just eight years left in the service. A qualified carpenter, he still does the odd job after hours, but he finds that the great change over the war years from skilled to production work has destroyed his desire to get back in the trade. "Maybe after I get out I'll do some contracting again", he states, "but I'd like to start up a little repair shop to fix bicycles, lawn mowers, and so on."

Like most carpenters Sam has yet to build himself a house. As so many of us have done, he has made plans for his own house, but the first plan (the ideal one), would have cost at least \$35,000.00, "a bit too much for a flight sergeant", he adds somewhat wistfully.

When asked why he didn't give up three nights a week on Scout activities to do more carpentry for extra money, Sam replied that too much work of that kind was too hard on a fellow. Personally, carpentry seems like child's play compared to managing thirty-odd active boys.

However, doing for others what he never finds the resources to do for himself, is part of Sam's makeup. We can easily believe him to be the man who volunteers first to help a worthwhile cause, to work the hardest, and alone if need be, to keep the cause going. He doesn't complain. He doesn't expect rewards for his efforts. In fact, he is happy to go along as the traditional cog in the wheel, but in his particular case, he is the very necessary cog with a wheel of its own.



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Effective Saturday January 31st 1953 the Station dance will be for Station personnel only!! Airmen may attend with their Lady friend and Airwomen their escort. Guest couples will not be permitted. "I" cards MUST be presented on admission.

C Ad O RCAF Rockcliffe

THEATRE REVIEW

SATURDAY Matinee, Jan. 31st.

TARZAN AND GREEN GODDESS

Johnnie Weismuller

CARTOON plus CHAPTER 11 of ADVENTURES OF SIR GALAHAD

SATURDAY Evening, Jan. 31st.

BATTLE AT APACHE PASS

John Lund - Jeff Chandler

CARTOON Scalp Treatment SHORT Jerry Gray & Orchestra

A Universal production in Technicolor featuring fighting Indians and white men with good and bad of each colour. Made to measure for the outdoor action fans who like things rough and ready. The scenery in this one will make you hold your breath and the action will hold you in suspense until the end of the film.

SUNDAY, Feb. 1st.

THE HAPPY TIME

Charles Boyer - Marsha Hunt

CARTOON Egg Hunt

Here is that much discussed picture about our own city, Ottawa, as it was in the early 20's. The entire background of the story is French Canadian. The picture follows along the lines of the radio program of a year ago—Bibi, the young son, who should be interested in school, seems to have acquired Uncle Louie's love for women, much against his mother's will. She feels Bibi is a little young to learn about the "birds and bees". This comedy rated as 'Excellent' by the critics

TUESDAY, Feb. 3rd.

PRISONER OF ZENDA

Stewart Granger - Deborah Kerr

CARTOON Early Bird Dood It

Action and romance in Technicolor by MGM. This is the fourth version of the picture, previous releases were in 1921, 1924 and 1937. Granger plays the gallant who saves a throne for the rightful King from the grasp of an ambitious brother. This, of course, with his trusty sword. Real entertainment if you go for this type.

THURSDAY, Feb. 5th.

MY PAL GUS

CARTOON plus SHORT

A 20th-Fox film about a father and son, released in Dec. 52 and rated as "Very Good". The story is centered around the rags-to-riches father and the trials of bringing up his motherless son. Billed as a comedy but at times follows the serious side. We think you'll like this one.

SATURDAY Matinee, Feb. 7th.

SMART ALECS

East End Kids

CARTOON plus CHAPTER 12 of ADVENTURES OF SIR GALAHAD

THE WEATHER WORKS

by FS Holland and Cpl Gold

This week our message is an informative one in which we hope to give you an idea of the cogs that turn the wheels in your local cloud factory.

There are two distinct phases to weather work, forecasting and observing, so let's deal first with the basic task, namely observing. The weather observer is a person of many talents. He keeps a trained eye on the ever changing characteristics of the weather. He decodes and plots rough weather data on surface and upper air charts, records upper winds speeds and directions, operates teletype, ozalid and duplication equipment, compiles climatological records and assists in keeping a horde of inquisitive people happy via "Bell's beastly blower" and numerous other channels.

The forecaster is the front man in the meteorological parade - he analyzes the maps, locates the fronts, isobars, highs and lows in their proper places, prepares forecasts, briefs aircrew and ultimately takes the blame. Many people depend on the forecaster - the highways department, city engineers, hydro, private industry, Joe and Jane citizen and a host of others. Their wants vary, the housewife wonders if her wash will dry on Monday, father is concerned about the car freezing up, picnickers and outdoor people ponder the wrath of the elements.

Another service of your weather office is that of storm warnings. When major storms or freezing precipitation are expected, the radio stations and newspaper are notified and they in turn pass this information on to you. The phones in the weather office are rarely quiet. The first half of this month has produced almost 3000 calls, greatly aiding in the appearance of grey hair on the balding heads of our beleaguered staff.

Two forecasts are prepared every six hours - one to cover flying weather and one for the public. In addition there are well over 100 weather bulletins prepared daily for various persons and sections on this station and at AFHQ. Despite what some nasty people say, statistics prove the weather man correct four out of five times.

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L. TO R. MAJ. GEN. MACKLIN, MR. ALEX SOLOMON, A.V.M. WAITE, MISS PHYLLIS COLLINS, CAPT FINCH-NOYES.

OUR first Saturday Night "Open House" for some time complete with musical interludes by Sgt. Clark and his band proved to be a very successful social evening, and was apparently enjoyed by the few who turned out. Granted it was a beastly evening so far as the weather was concerned and no doubt many of the boys had not yet emerged from the confines of the "Dog House", where they had been unceremoniously incarcerated on the night previous due to their arriving home a little late or early from the Mess Meeting, but we would have liked to have seen a few more in attendance. Frank and Bernie who were hot to trot through a strenuous evening at the bar poured more drinks back into bottles from "ready" glasses than they dispensed throughout the whole evening.

Hearty congratulations though a little late to FS and Mrs. Roland Rivard who to all appearances enjoyed themselves to the utmost celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary. May they celebrate their 50th with as much exuberance of energy.

The re-opening of Cpl. "Pat" Patenaude's "Palatable Patty Pantry" was certainly welcomed by those few left who are not on a diet. The savory odors finally drove FS "Larry" Fink reeling weakly, but unsupported, to the kitchen for a hamburger, and he will probably be seen attempting to rid himself of that extra pound clutching a hockey stick during a work out with the Mess Hockey Team the following week.

Wednesday's Theatre Night featuring

"Glory Alley" with Leslie "Legs" Carron (I don't even remember who the mug playing opposite her was—and who would?) brought out one of the largest crowds we have had since prior to the festive season. The girls had their opportunity to view the 52 Grey Cup Championship movie with Paul Lamorieux making his final bow of the season until "wait till next year" rolls around. We certainly have enjoyed Paul's commentation of the Big Four Football pictures through the courtesy of Bradings Breweries and we wish him much success for the coming year with the hopes that he will use his Honorary Membership to full advantage whether he visits us for business or pleasure. C'est un bon garcon.

We realize only too well how rough it is to obtain clothing from Seymour's Doorway to the Well Dressed Airman these days, but we certainly would appreciate the members discontinuing their habit of using our cloak-room as a source of re-newing their entire kit—gathering from the reports of several individuals following our last mess meeting someone should be seen around the mess looking pretty sharply turned out—please fellows—anyone can make a mistake in the flurry of answering that phone call from the wife to "get home pronto", but we do expect to see exchanges made by simply advertising your unintentional error the next day on the notice board in the mess.

The Photographic Establishment are to be thanked for their donation of the

two lovely color photographs of the Royal couple now hanging in the foyer of the mess. Although these photos are not considered "official", they will be in time valued as curios having been photographed in our own C5 aircraft during the Royal Tour of Canada. We trust the mess will treat them with valued respect.

We hope the Sgt's Mess Hockey Team gives FS "Don" Green a little more defence than he got with the Combines. The poor lad is fast growing an allergy to rubber and "Joe" Langlois has dubbed him "Red Light Green" (there's a confusing nom de guerre if I ever heard one).

Comparing recipes over the bar these days is quite the routine for WO2 "Rene" Gauthier and FS "Bill" Sheppard. They claim that noon hour meal is getting to be quite the problem, especially when there is not enough soup to go around and they have to share their bowl.

I'm sure the Mess Members all join in wishing FS "Gord" Reid of the Photographic Establishment all the best for a speedy and successful recovery from his recent three hour joust on the operating table of the station hospital. Keep in there punching Gord, and we hope to see you back in short order.

This man "Archie" Bennett has some very interesting True Life Stories to relate—get him to tell you one about caring for a two month old baby, all the way from Glace Bay to Whitehorse. Some mother.

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WOMAN TO WOMAN

Hi Mary—

Nice weather you're having! Guess I really shouldn't complain about what we have here after reading about your real zero temperatures.

Leafing through an old Cook Book I came across a most unusual recipe on "How to Bake a Cake". It really may not be as unusual to some women, as it is true. Light oven. Crack nuts. Get out bowl, spoon, ingredients. Remove 18 blocks and 7 toy automobiles from kitchen table. Measure 2 cups flour onto piece paper. Get sugar out of cabinet. Remove Johnny's hands from flour. Wash flour off him. Measure out 1 cup more flour to replace what is now on floor. Put flour, 2½ teaspoons baking powder and ½ teaspoon salt in sifter. Get dustpan and brush up pieces of bowl which Johnny has accidentally knocked off table. Get another bowl. Sift in ingredients. With spoon work ¼ cup shortening against side of bowl. Answer doorbell. Return to kitchen. Remove Johnny's hands from bowl. Wash shortening off him. Add 1 cup granulated sugar gradually. Answer the telephone. Return to kitchen. Mop up floor. Change Johnny's shoes which are egg-y. Get another egg. Beat. Remove toy automobile from bowl. Add flour mixture alternately with egg, ¼ cup milk and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Answer knock at back door. Remove Johnny's hands from bowl. Wash shortening, sugar, flour, milk and vanilla off him. Beat (mixture). Take up greased pan; find it has ¼" layer of nutshells in it. Head for Johnny who flies, knocking bowl off table. Wash kitchen floor. Wash kitchen table. Wash dishes. Call up baker. Lie down!

Are you aware that when you buy meat, only beef, as yet, may be purchased by grade? While the sale of graded and branded beef is optional, except in Vancouver area where it is compulsory, practically all inspected beef in Canada of A and B Grade quality is being branded and many retail stores can supply beef on request. There is a ribbon-like band running the full length of the side, in such a manner that a section of the grade mark appears on each individual cut (Red for Grade A or Choice, blue for Grade B or Good). There's also a Canada Approved Stamp which is purple and shows that the carcass has been Government inspected assuring the meat is wholesome and has been dressed under sanitary conditions. All dyes used are edible.

The chief difference between Grade A and Grade B beef is that Grade B carries less fat and may have a slightly lower proportion of meat on the bone. Most of us from what I can derive have been labouring under the mistaken idea that all meats were graded. It's something worth knowing at any rate, don't you think?

Theo Sisk is our Cherry Loaf Contributor to-day and if you like cherries as much as I do this will be a must in your book from now on. 1 cup brown sugar, creamed with butter size of an egg. Add 1 beaten egg. Combine 2 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder and 1½ tps salt. Mix a bit of flour mixture into 1 cup marachino cherries and ½ cup of walnut. (Small jar of cherries is ample) Add milk to cherry juice to make 1 cup. Add dry ingredients to butter and sugar mixture alternately mix milk and cherry juice combination. Add cherries and walnuts. Grease loaf pan

and line with wax paper. Pour batter in and let rise 20 minutes before baking. Bake 1 hour at 350°.

Soup saves the day! No need to serve it straight from the can—dress it up and you can have something different. There's a ten minute corn chowder for a beginning. Fry several bacon strips crisp. Remove from pan and fry a chopped onion, golden in the bacon fat. Add can of Clam Chowder, same amount of milk. One number 2 can of cream style corn and simmer several minutes. Serve piping hot with crumbed bacon on top. Another suggestion is Cook and serve piping hot with crumbed bacon on top. Another suggestion is Cook and serve onions in a little butter or margarine several minutes. Then add one can tomato soup, one can consomme, one can milk and one can water. Bring to boil only. Then there's sauces and finally, as an important flavour ingredient in all sorts of main dishes. Will add a couple now and then for you to try. Experimenting can bring all sorts of new taste treats to light. Have you any we could try?

This letter seems to be given over to food. However, it is an important part of living. Some people eat to live and some live to eat. Either way, eating is the function involved.

Another weary day at an end—and so to bed! Nite now...

As Ever,
JAN.

Women's Auxiliary News

Mrs. R. A. Simons

A very successful bridge was held by the Women's Auxiliary Bridge Club, last Tuesday, Jan. 20th. Twelve members were present. Mrs. I. Davis won the lovely cup and saucer, and Mrs. Gwen Young, the consolation prize.

Don't forget the next bridge, Tuesday, Feb. 3rd at the Woodfalle School, teachers room, 8.30 p.m. sharp.

Monday evening, February 2nd, in the Woodfalle School Library there will be a meeting for all the active WA members who would like to assist in making the fashion show a huge success. Won't you come and help? The more, the merrier, the less work any one person will have to do. No special talent is required so don't be shy about offering your services.

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AREA & NEWS

Mrs. A. M. Peterson is spending a short visit with her parents at Russell, Ont.

Mrs. Robt. Clarkson and Michael left Monday for a few weeks holiday at Blenheim, Ont.

Mrs. James Rea entertained her club at her home on Monday evening. During the evening Mrs. J. Pritchard was presented with a lovely gift and the hostess served a lovely lunch.

Mrs. Webb has been called to her home in Lindsay, Ont., owing to the serious illness of her father.

Births: Besse LAC and Mrs. Besse, Jan. 4th, a son.

LAC A. Zadow, Trenton, spent the weekend with his family.

WOMEN'S AUX. BOWLING SCHEDULE FEBRUARY

- 3—Blowers vs Hot Rods; Corner Pins vs. SQ Heads.
- 4—Go Goils vs. Spit Balls; Rockettes vs. Wranglers.
- 5—Sure Hits vs Mudlarks; Short Horns vs. Perkys.
- 10—Mudlarks vs. Perkys; Short Horns vs. Spit Balls.
- 11—Go Goils vs SQ Heads; Sure Hits vs. Wranglers.
- 12—Corner Pins vs Blowers; Rockettes vs. Hot Rods.
- 17—Rockettes vs. Corner Pins; Go Goils vs. Blowers.
- 18—Mudlarks vs Wranglers; Spit Balls vs. Perkys.
- 19—Sure Hits vs Hot Rods; Short Horns vs. SQ Heads.
- 24—Short Horns vs. Blowers; Mudlarks vs. Hot Rods.
- 25—Go Goils vs Rockettes; Sure Hits vs Corner Pins.
- 26—Spit Balls vs. SQ Heads; Wranglers vs. Perkys.

AREA 7 NEWS

By Mrs. G. Chartier

Welcome to Sgt. and Mrs. Keigwan who moved into House 20 Via Venus.

IN HOSPITAL

F/Sgt. Gordon Reid is in the Station Hospital recovering from a major operation. Little Jeanne Richard is in the Ottawa General Hospital. Hurry and get well, Jeanne, your wee friends miss you.

On Friday, Jan. 23rd a farewell party was given for Mrs. Leo Seguin, by Mrs. H. MacDonell, Mrs. R. Jones, and Mrs. R. Lavigne at the home of Mrs. Lavigne. The guest of honour was presented with a lovely rhinestone bracelet. Some twenty friends and neighbours attended.

The younger set are still celebrating. On Saturday, Jan. 24th, Roslyne Capuano celebrated her 12th birthday, by taking eight of her friends to the Station Theatre. After the show, they were entertained at Roslyn's home, playing numerous games and of course, a lovely lunch followed. Winners of prizes were: Donna Lindsay, Monique Chartier, Liliane Richard, Annabelle Boucher and Patsy Haverstock. The guest of honour was presented with lovely gifts.

Remember Les and Freddie Hughes from Area 7 and 5?—They're in Goose Bay, now and are the proud parents of a new baby girl. Congratulations, old friends. By the way Les used to be Secretary of the Women's Auxiliary.

That's all for this week.

AREA 3 NEWS

Jan Simons

Another week with "nothin' doin'" in our area. The skaters are still turning out every week and having a lot of fun, they say.

There was one Bridge Party this week when Mrs. R. G. Chalk entertained her Bridge Club Monday evening last. Everyone else is staying close to home these days with "exams" still on.

Mrs. A.K. Cunningham has gone to Camp Borden for two weeks. Aub is on course there.

Mrs. G. Panasis is home from her sojourn at Trenton with her parents.

It's good to see little Ardith Pelton out again after her long siege with that jaundice. Christmas and New Year's is not a pleasant time to be ill with all the "goodies" around and the Doc says "No, rich food".

Lorraine Gooderich, daughter of F/O and Mrs. E. K. Gooderich fell on the ice Monday and got a very nasty bang on the head. She will be home for a week to fully recover.

It was with surprise that I heard F/L

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H. B. Russell was still hospitalized. This is his second week there. He is most grateful for the arrangements made so he could write those much-mentioned examinations this week.

That seems to be all I could dig up for now. How about a few calls to keep me posted? They would be appreciated very much!

AREA 6 NEWS

by Roni Charman

The Mayor and Councillor Scharfe (of Scharfe and his Sodbusters fame) spent an extended holiday in the U.S.A. Hope you enjoyed your 24 hours, south of the Border.

Saturday afternoon brought a birthday party for 4 year old Nancy Strange. Her little friends enjoyed themselves, and Mommy is recuperating.

Mrs. Rowe and Mrs. Drysdale are both home again after undergoing operations at the Civic. Take it easy girls, let the boys look after the housework a little longer.

LAC Holland made a hurried trip home to Vancouver where his mother is seriously ill.

Sgt. Creelman is still on the sick list at the Station Hospital. Do you usually hibernate in the winter Bill.

Mrs. Iris and her son have the chicken pox.

Mrs. McLean held a Stork Shower at her home for Mrs. Hunt. About ten guests presented the guest of honour with some lovely gifts.

Cpl and Mrs. Picard have as their guests Mrs. Faford and daughter from Detroit.

Another of our inhabitants is about to become a world traveller, Sgt. Wally Finkle is leaving shortly for No. 3 Fighter Wing in Germany.

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SCOUTS and CUBS

By Wally Charman



On Friday, Jan. 16th, a "Going Up" ceremony was held at the regular meeting. Three Cubs were formally graduated from the Cub Pack to the Scout Troop. The three boys were Jack Birch, Paul Dupuis and Randy Hunter.

They participated in their last "Grand Howl" as Cubs and were accepted into the Troop by Scoutmaster Dave Anderson. Akelas Read, Ingraham, Worrall and yours truly wished the graduates the best of luck in Scouting and hoped that their Cub training would be put to good use in the future.

Also in the same evening, Sixer Doug Inglis was presented with his second star after successfully passing the required tests. It was noted at the presentation that "Doug" was leaving Rockcliffe. The Pack and leaders are sorry to see him go but we know that he will be an asset to any Cub Pack that he should join in the future.

Postings are cutting the strength of the leaders. "Akela" of the Red Pack, Jim Worrall, bid us farewell on Friday. 93 Cubs were gathered together to wish him a good trip. They saluted him in Cub fashion with the "Grand Howl".

After the meeting, the Scouters in company with Art Ward and Bower Carty (Assistant Commissioners) attended a party in Jim's honour held at the home of Mrs. Davis.

It was my pleasant duty to thank him for his past efforts and work with our Group. Art Ward echoed those sentiments on behalf of the Commissioner.

No presentation was made at this time as we intend to send him a gift that will prove beneficial in Paris.

Sgt. A. B. Fisher of C.E.&P.E. has been promoted in the Cubbing ranks to become the "Akela" of the Red Pack.

Special Notice

Parents of Cubs and Scouts are asked to keep abreast of the Groups activities through this column. It is expected to hold the general meeting and election of officers for both our Group Committee and Scout Mother's Club soon. The date will appear in this column.

With the posting of the Station Warrant Officer "Leo" Seguin, the Cub ranks again are being depleted. The "Major's" son Billy is moving away. Before going he passed all the tests required for his First Star and was presented with the Star. Best wishes were extended to him at that presentation.

After the meeting, Billy personally

thanked the leaders for their assistance and encouragement in the past and also said that he would always remember the good times he had with us.

Mrs. Seguin sent us a letter adding her thanks to Billy's for the work carried out by the leaders. The pay for our job is little, but words such as this are very encouraging.

Another Cub, Don Bedard has left our Pack. We wish him Good Hunting.

Special Announcement

Any boy who has been a Cub is welcome to join our Group. The only stipulation is that he must reside on the Station and can produce his Transfer Certificate from the last Pack he was with. *Addition to the Pack.*

Vic Trefry of Ring fame, has volunteered his services to our boys. His Scouting experience will surely be an asset in the Pack.

Lost

One pair of black overshoes with 4 buckles. If found return to Cub Art Quinn at any Cub meeting.

Until Next Week Good Hunting

BROWNIE NEWS

By Brown Owl (Mrs. Iris Barrett)
Twhit Twhoo, Twhit Twhoo.

Anyone passing our churches on Monday and Tuesday nights will notice great activity. We would like you to know the fairy folk have at last settled in their new home.

The churches are very beautiful and the rooms behind the chapels are very cosy for our work, pow-wows and play.

We would like to thank Mr. Smith, Principal of Woodfalle School for his kindness in allowing us to use the school playroom these past months.

The 53rd Pack started the new year very well with the investment of three sisters and two seconders.

On January 20th one-year and two-years service stars were given to thirteen wee folk. The same evening Brown Owl and Tawny Owls had the honor of presenting seven proficiency badges to a couple of hardworking Brownies.

Betty Marie Cunningham received a kitten's badge and Patricia Harvey received badges for knitting, thrift House Orderly, Gardening, Swimming and Collecting. Mrs. Norris of Area 1, a Golden

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Brownies . . .

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hand tester has tested some brownies on planting and caring for bulbs. Mrs. Norris reports all were grown most successfully except one which grew and grew but will not produce a flower. Better luck next time Brownie Sandra Pelton.

We will be having our enrolment very soon now, we are at present held up because the Brownie pins are not available in Supply stores. I was very happy to see Tweenie Ardith Pelton outdoors again; this tweenie has been ill since Christmas.

Since we had a grand start for the new year lets keep up the good work and good turns Brownies.

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The hours for weighing and instruction are from 1.30 p.m. to 3.15 p.m. It has been requested that the baby will be 6 weeks old before being registered at the clinic.

The immunization starts at 3.30 p.m. This consists of a series of four inoculations and one vaccination, beginning at the age of four months. The series is as follows: Three inoculations, one month apart, the vaccination one month following the third inoculation and the fourth inoculation to be given two months later. In nine months after the series has been completed a Booster dose should be given, to be followed by a second Booster in two and one-half years and a third Booster in two years which will bring the child to school age.

The service does not recognize the time between 2359 hrs and 0001 hrs daily. That adds up to 730 minutes per year, or about 1 day total every two years. Theoretically then the service owes us an extra day's pay or an extra day's leave every two years for that buckshee time we've put in.

AROUND THE UNITS

COMMUNICATION CAPERS

by D.H.L.

Happenings around the telecom section are very few and far between these days. Back from Winnipeg off leave is LAC Johnny Palisnuk looking a little pale but otherwise none the worse for wear. He says he still has money left, so if any of the lads in the section need a fin till pay day John is usually an easy touch . . . at least that is what I have been told.

AW Audrey Atkinson is hustling around the station on clearances as she has been advised of her sailing date for sunny France. Bon voyage and best of luck Audrey and drop us a line some time . . .

Leaving us soon for a short trip to Quebec will be Cpl "Paul" Gagne, LAC "Red" Martin and ACI "Guy" Uddenberg, have a nice trip boys and don't hurry back.

The results of the trade test have been released and we have a couple of happy faces around but the rest of them, brrrrr . . . If looks could kill the trade test blokes would be daid long ago. Cheer up fellows, another trade test is coming in March so you can try again if you are back from your temp duty. The CPL's qualifying exams results have not been received as yet and until they are Cpl "Norm piano roll boogie" Stone just won't be able to stop fretting like a mother hen with her brood of chicks. Don't give up the ship Norm, who knows, you may have passed them. Just the other day one of the lads (not mentioning any names) stuck his head out the window and hollered "Hey, who left the A.P.U. running" and just then the boss, S/L Calow stepped out of his car which was outside of same window. Careful boys, Resolute Bay needs replacements soon. Cpl "Army" Armstrong had to walk to work this morning, said his car was in the ditch near home. That seems like funny place to leave a car doesn't it?

Say folks if you think there is no security on the station you just try getting into a Friday night bingo with your uniform on but no "I" card. A new rumour going around is that they are going to issue 16 oz gloves to all personnel attending the Saturday night dances, you must remember Jack Dempsey is still looking for a heavyweight prospect to replace Joe Louis.

In browsing through last week's paper I came across an article by F/L Ray Boucher "Rambling round Rockcliffe", wherein he states we could do with less people who heckle Aus at the bingos with phrases like "shake em up", well I think we could do with less people

who holler "Bingo" so I can get a chance then I won't have to say "shake em up" in order to feel I am getting my money's worth. I definitely agree with his suggestion that we could do with less Airmen who think they can dress like characters out of the comic strip "Terry and the Pirates", O yes, I read the comic too . . . C U AGN

THE CE SECTION

By "Stormy"

The CE Section is in the process of having its face lifted. One may not notice from the outward appearance but just take a look within. Though not completely finished we are boasting the finest offices and orderly room on the Station. What a change!! The CEO and his Assistant are no longer crawling over each other but now occupy separate offices. The Orderly Room is more spacious and a very welcomed change too. Unit Stores shot out toward the beautiful Ottawa River and as a result the Carpenter Shop has moved next door to take up occupancy with the Point and Electrical Shops.

So much for the changes and on with the latest about the staff:

FS J. M. McDonnell is in Camp Borden attending a course on the "ABC's of Warfare". Best of luck Merv.

LAC Bernier is now on leave. Getting acquainted with his daughter we hear.

Cpl Ron Churchill, by trade a Carpenter, is now a "pencil pusher". You'll find him under all those tags for keys to PMQ if you look long enough. Cheer up, Ron, offices aren't all like this.

Cpl Ed Lewis is back with the CE Section again. Seems he is struggling away in the drafting Room on more charts.

LAC Ken Fairweather was welcomed back on the 16 January after enjoying life on the sick list since that near fatal night back in November.

Tony Lacelle, formerly of the Electrical Shop, can be found hiding in one

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of the bins of the Stores. He's joined Ron Churchill and the executive staff. Trust you like it, Tony.

Cpl Downie took over charge of the Carpenter Shop recently following Omer Labelle's move to Station Maintenance Workshop.

Handlebar Hank Lavier is minus the covering for his upper lip. He says this is due to falling winter temperatures. Watch to see you don't freeze-up, Prest. Could this be the reason for not seeing the goal that the referee recently awarded one of the local teams.

Latest word has it that "Three-Blow" Connolly is still holding the record for the CEMEN Bowling team. Ed Lewis is creeping in for a close second so watch him Brian. Fellas we'd better pull up our pants or we'll see the bottom?? of the loop, that is.

Guy Lanthier is driving around in a new car. Complains it cost a bit more to run than the Hillman. This may be the reason for parking near the road but we think it's a case of everyone to see.

The weather outside is cold but the commissioned staff find things hot and sweating. Could it be those Qualifying Exams that are coming up?

The civilian employees are looking forward with great anticipation to using the new time clock. We'll be hearing bells but not of the phones. A change is as good as a rest so cheer up men.

Trout calls. There is a man on duty at the CE Section for calls after normal working hours. Give him a ring on local 207 and please don't be bothering the staff at home.

P.S.—Tony Lacelle just informed me that he is still removing the mineral wool from his face. Next Christmas we recommend absorbent cotton for those whiskers, Tony.

408 (P for PHRENZY) SQN

by The gang

The Smiths' are runing like wolves on 408 Sqn—in packs, added to W/C "Athaletical" Smith and S/L "Meechanical" Smith, we now have F/L Roy "Aeronautical" Smith who is on an exchange posting from No. 82 Photo Sqn RAF. F/L Smith recently spent two years doing photography in Nairobi and other parts of Africa. He has taken voucher action to exchange his suits aircrew—anti-malaria to suits—aircrew Eskimo for the use of. He is willing to trade a course in "How to Combat Earwigs" for a course in "Defence against the Arctic Mosquito".

The ominous rattling of the ball and chain is heard with amazing frequency in 408—most recently married are F/O Bob McLarnon, F/O Frank Creamer, F/O Jack Tupper will shortly follow suit.

We have had many enquiries regarding the beaver seen driving a 1941 green Chevrolet—that's no beaver chaps, that's F/O Joe McDermott wearing his fur hat.

408 Air Camera Section is losing an old hand with the transfer of Cpl. R. S. Black—he has had four more or less happy years with the Squadron.

The RO Section, which is justifiably proud of leading all other Squadrons in ATC in the last semi-annual exams, welcomes four new additions to the Squadron—F/O's M. J. Heney, R. A. Lewis, J. R. Ray and R. J. Saunders. So long and good luck to F/O Bill Johnson who is on his way to Clinton as an instructor.

F/L Lew Llewellyn, F/O's Ionson and Kostniuk are enroute to Summerside where they will take the Staff N Course. F/L George McCormick's chest out, stomach in, posture isn't the result of a physical culture course. Now that our Adj. is sporting his new slim, svelte figure, F/L McCormick is afraid of unfavourable comparison.

Welcome back to two of our stauncher members who have had rather rough sojourns in the Station Hospital—F/L Ray Boucher and F/O Guy Lafreniere.

F/S James has been in charge of maintenance for the past year. He came to 408 two years ago from 435 Sqn Edmonton. He was NCO i/e of the Norman Wells and Fort Nelson Detachments during the summer of '52.

Transfers have taken their toll in maintenance—Sgt. May, Cpls. Brunton and Holloway and LAC Gillen will be leaving us soon for the Fighter Wings in Europe. If they survive the NAAFI queues in England they should make the grade with the Schnapps and Cognac on the Continent.

Our Safety Equipment Section is managing to struggle along with Cpls. Lobb and Erler while Sgt. Mangione is on his leave. Cpl. Erler will be leaving for a Fighter Wing in the near future.

We visited our Squadron Supply Section and found them buried in vouchers, etc.—they are busy preparing for the 1953 Summer Operation. F/S. Manchester says that they are so busy that Sgt. Lawson has to work nights on his requirement lists to keep up with the steady flow of requests.

The Engineering Officer is quite concerned re the number of props on the Lanes that are being damaged by the heads of personnel smashing into them. It's a good thing that the props weren't turning.

Personnel from AV Roe Ltd have been with us for the past few months and they are pretty much a part of the gang here now. We can always tell which aircraft they are working on by the mass of electrical and air lines streaming through the side door of the kite. It gets quite crowded when we all are trying to work in the fuselage at the same time. The interior of a Lancaster was not exactly designed for ballroom dancing.

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BONNE SANTE

JUDGING by the enthusiastic support of its many readers, it would be no exaggeration to suggest that this magazine is well on its way towards establishing itself as "History" rather than a "Record". This is clearly evident by the many requests and observations which are daily reaching the Office of the Editorial Staff in ever increasing numbers. Bonne Sante too, has come in for its share of divers comment in which one reader, at least, has asked for a brief outline on the culinary aspects of Cocktail parties.

Having followed the many interesting contributions since the first issue however, it is noted that "Jan"—a most worthy contemporary, is doing an exceptionally fine job in her exclusive feature entitled "Woman to Woman" into which a recipe or two usually finds its way. But being assured that an affirmative reply in this instance would not be construed as literary piracy and, moreover, not wishing to horn in on the echoes of applause intended for others, we shall discuss this subject as fully as the limited space allotted to this story will permit. Actually, it is an inexhaustible topic upon which pages, reams, and even books may be written and still leave room for further discussion.

I would venture to suggest that this request has come from a woman; and why not! Culinary matter has, from time immemorial been recognised as part of woman's heritage. For some unexplainable reason, the receipt of an invitation to a Cocktail party is usually followed by mental visions of magnanimous generosity inspired by the "man" side of the family while the poor "woman" is almost entirely overlooked. Granted, to the male species belongs the somewhat dubious distinction of being the qualified authority on matters of alcoholic consumption. In the light of personal experience, no difficulty should be encountered in placing a few women on a par of equality. Be that as it may, it is usually the "man" who, so conspicuously struts, bows, and graciously accepts the plaudits on such occasions.

Despite all this, considerable credit belongs to the person behind the scenes—the woman. With her almost infallible feminine intuition, deft touch, and far sighted viewpoints on things which might be required—little things in themselves—but which contribute so largely to a successful party, the "man" can well afford to relax.

It is well to remember when serving food that the majority of such affairs are preliminary steps to a more sumptuous repast. Because of this, it is considered advisable to serve both small and slightly spicy items. Good eating

stimulates good drinking. Hence, a little spicy touch in the assorted appetizers can enhance the conviviality of any sized group. A keen sense of imagination is also a contributing factor.

Whenever possible try to have a separate table from which to serve food. Avoid the use of large platters. Smaller plates, not too small... are much neater and create an illusion of greater variety even though there may be two dishes bearing the same items at either end of the table. Incidentally, the rather large platters can prove to be most cumbersome when "passing around". The use of doilies, paper or otherwise, should be used only when necessary. For instance, if the dishes in question are gracefully embossed with beautiful floral designs or picturesque scenery, by all means keep them exposed. Your guests will be equally interested in your treasured chinaware.

Toothpicks are extremely useful on such occasions. These too, may be attractively displayed either in a very small crystal shot-glass, spread-eagle fashion or perhaps by inserting them individually into the round side of half an orange. Then again, if flowers are being used to decorate the table and all the platters are of a flat variety, the flower vase should be short. A tall stemmed vase would naturally have a tendency to dwarf the contents of the table.

Insofar as personal attire is concerned, all matters of dress should be in proportion to the amount of formality involved. Strictly formal attire is a matter which is usually expressed with invitation. On all other occasions it is considered conventional to don normal wear. Such matters of etiquette may occasionally have confusing results. Some time ago a lady who had been invited to one such affair phoned her prospective hostess and tearfully apologized at not being able to accept her invitation. Further information elicited the fact that the dear lady in question hadn't a "thing to wear"; to which the hostess sympathetically replied, "Oh, that's quite alright dear... come just as you are!"

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408 SQN. News . . .

(from page 13)

LAC Irish Gillen entertained some of the boys last week-end during his birthday and farewell festivities. Wine was served and a good case of DT's was had by all.

408 extends a welcome to Cpl Don Jones who has returned to us from 426 Squadron on exchange posting with Cpl. Jack Adams. Cpl. Jones has been away from us for two years and was Flight Engineer on the North Stars flying to Japan. He will be right at home back with the Lances.

LAC "Rip" Riopelle will be tying the knot in February—best of luck Rip.

Maintenance had an addition in the person of AC1 LeBlanc from course at Camp Borden—another engine man for the Squadron.

Don't be frightened by the black monsters you may see walking around the hangars. It's just the boys in the new black cover-alls just recently issued.

Sgt. Rowe has his engine bay set up and operating now with the help of Cpl. Batten and LAC's "Splithead" Klapatkiuk and Whelton. The main function of the Engine Bay is to turn out complete built-up Merlin Power plants ready for installation in the Lancaster.

SUPPLY SECTION NEWS

By WO1 Arbuckle, MS.

The main news item from the Supply Section over the past week was the splendid talk given by the C Tech O on our 0800 hour parade last Tuesday morning. W/C Cobb covered many interesting points in his talk such as saluting, punctuality, how promotions are delayed due to misconduct, etc. and many other details which certainly were beneficial to us all in our Service Careers if we intend to do our full share in helping to keep the RCAF up to the high standard which it has been built up to over the past years.

It is felt that more of these talks should be given periodically to our staff by such officers who have "been through the mill" and can pass along service knowledge from past experience. Such information undoubtedly improves the minds of all and is particularly beneficial to the junior personnel who so often get the urge to slip off the road which leads to advancement in the RCAF.

On the transfer list for this week we find F/O Hollet our Assistant SSO on his way very shortly to ATC HQ Lachine.

Another transfer was put in the hands of LAC Beamish who will be replacing LAC Murdock at Fort Nelson, B.C., in March.

MORE UNIT NEWS

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SPORTS REVIEW

Stn. HQ Win One from 412 Sqd

HOCKEY

Jan. 22/53

"Red" Orval Gravelle getting hot in the second period scored three unassisted goals which was just enough to defeat 412 Sqd 3 to 2.

412 Sqd opened the scoring in the first period at 4:12 minutes on a goal by "Johnny" Koch assisted by Heslop and that was the total score in the first period.

The second period was all Gravelle's, scoring his three goals, to go into the third period with the score standing Stn. HQ, 3; 412 Sqd., 1.

412 scored again in the third period, Haverstock slipping one past 'Red' Morrison on an assist from Koch and Walker.

This ended the scoring and the final score again Stn. HQ, 3; 412 Sqd., 2.

1st PERIOD

412—Koch Heslop 4.12
Penalties—412, Farmer, 2 min.; Stn. HQ, Gravelle, 2 min.; Stn. HQ, Jutman, 2 min.; 412, McCreadie, 2 min.

2nd PERIOD

Stn. HQ—Gravelle, unassisted .. 4.36
Stn. HQ—Gravelle, unassisted .. 15.25
Stn. HQ—Gravelle, unassisted .. 16.32
Penalties — Stn. HQ, Melenchuk, 2 min.; 412, Cochrane, 2 min.; Stn. HQ, Brouillard, 2 min.; Stn. HQ, Maxwell, 2 min.; 412, Cochrane, 2 min.

3rd PERIOD

412—Haverstock, Koch and Walker 13.12
Penalties—Stn. HQ, Bernier, 2 min.; 412, McCreadie, 2 min.; Stn. HQ Norton, 5 min.; 412, Cochrane, 5 min.; Stn. HQ, Gravelle, 2 min.

Rockcliffe Swamps Army

HOCKEY—Jan. 21/53

Out for revenge for their 5 to 4 defeat by the Army, their last time out, Rockcliffe soundly defeated Army 7 to 1 in a National Defence game at Navan.

Starting fast Rockcliffe hit the nets three times in the first period, Melenchuk, Bernier and Maxwell splitting the honors, the assist went to Robertson and two to Houlahan.

The second period was fairly even with neither team scoring, although Rockcliffe kept Army mostly on the defence but failed to tally a marker.

Rockcliffe came back in the third period to score four goals to Army's one, Houlahan being the big point getter with one goal and two assists.

A sharp fist fight broke out in the third period between Robertson of Rockcliffe and Knight of Army and ended with both players being banned to the sin bin for ten minutes misconducts.

1st PERIOD

RCAF—Melenchuk, Houlahan .. 4.45
RCAF—Maxwell, Houlahan 11.12
RCAF—Bernier, Robertson 18.22

Penalties — Army, Moreau, 2 min.; Army, Moreau, 2 min. RCAF, Wilson, 2 min.; RCAF, Maxwell, 2 min.

2nd Period

No score

3rd Period

RCAF—Wilson, Houlahan 2.21, RCAF—Houlahan, Unassisted 3:16; RCAF—Norton, Maxwell 13:01; RCAF—Norton, Maxwell 13:01; RCAF—Brouillard, Houlahan 15:04; ARMY—Perreault, Watt 17:04

Penalties

ARMY, Knight, 2 min; RCAF, Houlahan, 2 min; ARMY, Coveney, 2 min; RCAF, Brouillard, 2 min; RCAF, Maxwell, 2 min; ARMY, Knight 10 min; RCAF, Robertson, 10 min;

Seven-Up 57 Rockcliffe 49

BASKETBALL

21 Jan 52—Due to the pressure of examinations Rockcliffe basketball team showed lots of skill, but little depth having only seven players showing up for the game. Despite the shortage they played skillful ball and the winner was in doubt till the final whistle.

LAC Bently playing one of his best games of the season continually kept Rockcliffe in the game with his fine shooting and his fighting spirit.

Fouls took heavy toll on Rockcliffe with three men going off on personal fouls leaving, B. Williams, Bently, McLeod & Kelly and altho' they played superb defensive basketball they could not stem the last basket-hungry offensive of the 7up and they poured in enough baskets to come out on top.

The quarter-time score was 10 to 10
Half-time score was 23 to 19 7up
Three-quarter score was 35 to 34 7up
Final score 7up 57 Rockcliffe 49

Rockcliffe defeats Uplands

HOCKEY

26 Jan 52

Rockcliffe riding on a hot streak took the measure of RCAF Stn. Uplands to the tune of a score of 7 to 2.

Melenchuk stated the scoring, banging in a goal at 2:13 minutes of the first period, and despite several close shots by both teams the score at the end of the first period was Rockcliffe 1 Uplands 0.

The second period showed more scoring with Grant and Maxwell scoring for Rockcliffe and Gaming for Uplands, this brought the score to 3 to 1 for Rockcliffe.

The third period was all Rockcliffe, scoring four goals to Uplands 1, making the final score Rockcliffe, 7; Uplands, 2.

1st PERIOD

Rek—Melenchuk, unassisted 2.13
Penalties—Rek, Wilson, 2 min.; Uplands, St. Pierre, 2 min.; Rek, Maxwell, 2 min.

2nd PERIOD

Rek—Grant, Brouillard 10.26
Uplands—Gaming, Gans 10.46
Rek—Maxwell, Bernier 18.22
Penalties—Rek, Putman, 2 min.; Uplands, Lemenchick, 2 min.

3rd PERIOD

Rek—Wilson, Melenchuk 2.56
Uplands—Gans, Childerhose 5.56
Rek—Wilson, Melenchuk 10.00
Rek—Melenchuk, Houlahan 11.02
Rek—Grant, Houlahan 14.12

Penalties—Rek, Grand, 5 min.; Uplands, St. Pierre, 5 min.

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SPORTS CHATTER

By D.H.L.

The team from Detroit had their wings clipped during the past week and the high flying Habitants from Montreal have pulled up to within one point of the Wings. In the last three games Sawchuck has had 13 goals rammed past him while McNeill of the Habs has closed the gap in the race for the Vezina Trophy. Shutouts have been coming quite frequently for the NHL goalies but high scoring games are also quite frequent with scores like 8-2 and 9-0. The hot and cold Rangers from New York are just about out of the running for a chance to get in the playoffs. The Bruins from Boston still have the problem of catching the Leafs who have won two and lost two during the last week. At this stage of the race it looks like the Wings, Habs, Black Hawks and Leafs for the Stanley Cup playoffs. Gord Howe is still leading the individual scoring race and Ted Lindsay of the Wings is the league leading bad man if you can call that an honor.

In the QSHL race the Chicoutimi Sags have pulled ahead of the Montreal Royals and look like the club to finish on top at the end of the season. The Aces from Quebec are still climbing fast and could make a playoff spot yet. The local Senators are still holding down the third slot but only by one point over the Valleyfield Braves. In this game of Hockey anything can happen.

In the pro tennis world Frank Sedgman holds a slight edge over Jack Kramer in matches won as the tour wears on and ole man Kramer wears down. Ken McGregor has finally broken the ice and won a match from Panchito Segura, that win might give the Aussie somewhat of a lift in spirits as he sure needs one.

In the world of amateur tennis the Aussies have more tennis stars on the horizon than the Americans can shake a tennis racquet at. Since the departure of Sedgman and MacGregor from the Davis Cup ranks the Yanks have been eyeing the Davis Cup for next year but five young Aussies by the names of Ken Rosewall, Lewis Hoad, Ian Ayre, Mervyn Rose and Clive Alderspin may have something to say about who is going to win the cup. But we will have to wait until next Christmas to see if the Aussies can win the cup again.

The baseball world flashed across the horizon briefly last week when it was announced that the great ex-Cardinal pitcher Dizzy Dean and that hard slugging outfielder of the Philadelphia A's of a bygone period Al Simmons were elected to baseball Hall of Fame. There was great consternation over the fact that the Yankee Clipper Joltin Joe DiMaggio wasn't elected however it must

be remembered that there is still quite a few baseball immortals around who haven't been elected yet and no doubt Joe's turn will come sometime in the near future.

Well fans as they say in France C U later...

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CEPE defeat Combines 9 to 0

HOCKEY 20 Jan 52
CEPE scoring 2 goals in the first period, four in the second period, and three in the third, soundly defeated the Combines 9 to 0.

Clark took two goals and two assists to lead in points, Fritake with three goals (two unassisted) was second.

SUMMARY

1st Period
Goals Scored
CEPE—Whalen, Clark 12:20; CEPE—Clark, Whalen 17:30;

Penalties

CEPE, Dennis, 2 min; CEPE, Robertson 2 Min.

2nd Period
CEPE—O'Dowd, Robertson 3:45;
CEPE—Fritake, Unassisted 5:20
CEPE—O'Dowd Monteif-Dennis 14:45
CEPE—Fritake, Unassisted 18:50

Penalties

Combine, Pettis 2 min; CEPE, Robertson 2 Min.

3rd Period
CEPE—Fritake, Clark 9:40; CEPE—Clark, Monteif 14:10; CEPE—Bertrand, O'Dowd-Monteif 17:25

Penalties

NIL

Around the Units . . .

HEADQUARTERS NEWS

by LAC F. Lesage

There always comes a time in one's life that a person is asked to write a few lines. Well ye reporter is making an attempt with the hope and promise that the most important items of news are covered and will let everyone know we still have old reliable headquarters at Rockcliffe.

The Accounts section is having a turnover in personnel, F/S Chalk is posted to Germany and Cpl Bradley as well. Cpl Rennick is leaving for AFHQ. This section wishes you the best of luck in your work at your new stations. It is hoped that some new faces will be showing soon in order that the books may be kept up to standard and everyone happy.

The complete section felt a great sense of relief when at long last Cpl Kingston's wife presented him a son. When asked to comment F/L Ossie Pelton (4 girls) had nothing to say.

We notice that WO 2 Langlois is back to his familiar surroundings in the Orderly Room after his annual leave. Seems that this section will be losing some of the familiar faces as well, LAC Broszeit will be soon leaving for Officers School at London hoping to become airborne. Cpl. "Tex" Macer is posted to Photo Establishment Orderly Room. Cpl. Hamel once had an all male bowling team and now has mostly women. What's the matter fellows? AW Dot MacLean will soon be leaving to take up new duties as a housewife. Congratulations Dot.

One of our well known airman none other than F/S Vezina is back holding the position as SWO replacing WO2 Seguin who has been posted to a far off land commonly known as Germany. AW Lillian Nelson has reported from 2KTS Aylmer and seems to be punching a typewriter.

I wonder just how grey our W/C Cobb can get because surely icy conditions at present must be plaguing our ME Section and each one or new accident must be another grey hair in our W/C's head.

What! is F/O Kennedy's name? every time anyone goes near the office she appears to answer to Sally, Susie, Margaret or any other name the Adj sees fit to call her. For a little girl she carries a powerful lot of names—oh well he never calls her any impolite ones—or does he?

The weather is conducive to the building trade, but nevertheless it would appear the CO was putting the finishing touches to his new home. From all we hear it must be truly made to measure and at this time to wish him all happiness in his new abode.

At one time philatelists (stamp collector, to you guys) had an expert to refer to in F/L Philips but alas he has been posted, so we take this opportunity to wish him and his charming family good luck, bon voyage in the future.

Too bad F/L Adkins didn't get enough of the North Country but he has to take a trip to Resolute, Frobister, and Goose, etc. (Could it be unfinished business?)

That's all... 'til next week folks.

AFHQ PRACTICE FLIGHT

M. Leedham

This week, we have at least two smiling faces in the hangar. Alas there are a few sad ones as well. LAC Dale and LAC Horrocks were the only ones that passed the trade board. Congratulations fellows! We will all see you in the canteen.

AC1 Parent tells us that he is glad to be back with us but he says that the nurses in Queen Mary's Hospital, Montreal are as pretty as ever.

LAC Ducharme is back from his honeymoon and says that he never had it so good. Wait till he starts eating those nice Brown Beans and Corn Flakes.

Well it is very cold outside again. It surely was kind of Mr. Howe to taken the C-5 south at this time. This makes a nice trip for the boys in 412 Sqn and also gives Practice Flight a short rest from visitors.

THE SHORAN SAGA

The place is the station canteen. The time: fall of 1952. A group of airmen, tanned by exposure to the great outdoors, and showing signs of recent and extensive tonsorial operations, are sitting before ice/cold quarts of beer. As they drain their glasses (with more than the usual amount of appreciation and dispatch) they tell the following tale:

We are the men of Shoran,
A rough and ready crew,
The pride of the shoran Section
In the Summer of fifty-two;
When deep into the Northland
Intrepidly we went,
And, pitching our tents on tundra,
We measured the Continent.
There was a lot of grief, then,
With which we did contend;
And we'll tell all our troubles
Till our beer comes to an end.

The Canso crews, to start with,
Were a busy bunch of chaps
Who flew us around all Summer
To the high points on the maps.
They're slow up in the air, lads,
But mighty slick on land;
And they serounged the choicest rations
With a sure steady hand.

We're proud of all our Corporals,
A group that's very 'gen',
Who must have come down from heaven
To dazzle us mortal men.
And thanks to their instructions,
We're learning really fast
How to push the reset button,
And to straighten up the mast.

We could go on for hours
About the chairborne ops,
Who kept adding on new stations
On the craggy mountain tops.

We'd come in from one station
All weary and foot-sore,
To receive the cheerful greeting:
"They have added on one more."
"They'll be flying you to-morrow
"To Timbuk-Tuki-Tuk,
"So get all your things together,
"And then load 'em on the truck".

Then on the installations,
If the day was good and warm,
We'd be greeted on the beaches
By an angry insect swarm.
And toiling up the ridges,
The flies would bar the trail,
So we'd take evasive action
Which was always bound to fail.

Then out there on the stations
The key we'd pound and pound,
But the fellows back in Churchill
Sure gave us the run around.
For when the Lane had landed
We'd be waiting for the 'sked'
With the shades of night about us
And a winding trail ahead.
And to our frantic signals
The Com Ops would reply
That for us their hearts were bleeding,
But we really must stand by.

So until the Snows descended
On the Arctic as a whole,
We were living like the 'Skimoes
On the barrens near the pole.
Though confusion worse confounded
Was never seen before,
We will all be soon a'yearning
For the Northern Lights once more.

THE END

P. E. IN A NUT SHELL

By AWs Neilson and Smith

Don't be alarmed at the dozens of photo types who are toting cameras around the station. Some are slaving on a week-end refresher course and others are on a 2-week course genning up to be intelligent photogs.

Who was the lucky FS whose staff gave him a birthday party—cake and all?

Did anyone know that the photostat section has a first class master mechanic? FS Green is quite handy at taking the machine apart and getting it back together with no pieces left over. (It still works too).

Several photo type contact trainees, who recently left PE for Camp Borden to become real live honest to goodness photo types, write that they miss Rockcliffe and can hardly wait to return. (Rocks in de head, maybe?)

In closing we would like to welcome the new AC's and the lone AW into Good old PE.

The Weather Works . . .

(from page 6)

Your weather man toils 24 hours a day every day of the year to provide accurate weather service to all. His day begin at midnight. 5 AM or at noon. He eats, sleeps and breathes weather maps and forecasts. His satisfaction lies in the fact that weather services are a vital factor in our everyday life and well worth the sincere efforts he expends.

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