

SECOND DEPENDENTS SURVIVAL PROGRAMME A SUCCESS

On Wednesday 22 February approximately 70 to 80 service dependents from Areas 6 and 8 together with a few others who live off base, attended the second Dependents Survival programme in the North wing of the Airmens Mess.

Two very interesting films were shown which captured the interest of the audience and a very colourful talk by F/L Carpenter dealing with the subject of 'Fall-out' were the main highlights of the programme.

On display were samples of the many types of instruments which are used in the detection and reading of radiation intensities, also a chart which showed the method of plotting the direction of 'Fallout' plus other information such as the time of arrival at a certain place and the intensity of the radiation at that place outside on the ground as opposed to the intensity inside a basement shelter.

Two interesting booklets were distributed to the audience, the first a fine, well planned booklet on basic first aid prepared by St. John's Ambulance Society and worthy of its place in any home for practical reference and the second, a multi-coloured booklet guiding dependents in the survival procedures against fallout conditions and prepared by the station Nuclear Defence Section.

Further programmes will be held from time to time.

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54th Group Hold Annual

FATHER AND SON BANQUET



Service Star Awards. (1 to r) Lady Cubmaster Mrs. Ronnie Charman, 11 years; Assistant District Commissioner Bob Sheppard; Scoutmaster Tom Munding, 5 years; Scoutmaster Ken Hudson, 1 year.

More than 300 guests, scouters, father and sons attended the annual father and son banquet for scouts and cubs at RCAF Rockcliffe.

The banquet opened with a flag break followed by delicious southern fried chicken dinner.

The chairman of the 54th Group Committee, S/L C. H. Bell, introduced the head table. The head table guests were: Assistant District Commissioner Bob Sheppard, District Scout Master Gordon Pichard, District Cubmaster Wally Charman, President of the Mothers' Auxiliary Mrs. George Foley, the Station Commander W/C D. MacDonald, the Mayor of the station community, Mayor Les Bullard, the Command RC Chaplain S/L Arsenault and the station Protestant padre F/L Jansen.

The Chairman in his remarks paid credit to all who have assisted with scouting on the station over the past years. The 54 Group has made a very creditable showing in Scout circles which reflect credit on the leaders and the boys. Four Queen Scouts from Rockcliffe out of the nine from the Ottawa district, who attended the American Jamboree last summer, were from this station. It was pointed out that scouting is the largest youth activity on the station with more than 200 boys actively engaged.

The toast to the Queen was proposed by Troop Leader Brian Laishes and the toast to the fathers by Troop Leader Paul Ouelette. W/C MacDonald replied to the toast to the fathers and also thanked the station guides for the efficient manner they displayed in serving such a large number of people at this banquet.

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Service Star Awards to Cubs. District cubmaster Wally Charman making awards.

Stanes Of Crawford John

With 48 pairs of perfectly matched rocks already belonging to the RCAF Rockcliffe Curling Club it would seem unlikely that

the president would welcome another pair, particularly when they appear to be of an odd size and colour, but he has - enthusiastically.

The new stones are a pair of "Crawford John's" - rare collectors items that come from the village of the same name in Fifeshire, Scotland - the site of some of the earliest curling in the world.

The beautiful black stones complete with wicker carrying baskets, were presented to the club by J.A. D. "Bill" Whyte, Canadian representative of Scottish Aviation Ltd., Prestwick. Scottish Aviation had previously presented both the men's and ladies' club with excellent trophies for annual competition.

The supply of flaw-free granite from Crawford John (the granite was found in the stream running through the village) has long since expired, as has the supply at Ailsa Craig. Currently, most granite suitable for curling stones is quarried in Wales, although it is still processed at the old factory in Scotland.

Mr. Whyte has a fund of stories about curling in Scotland, several of which indicate that tales of Scottish thrift are well founded, particularly among the curling fraternity. The rink on which Mr. Whyte did his early curling is an asphalt sheet in the village square. It is used as a bowling green (lawn bowling on a sawdust covered surface) come tennis court in the summer, and is

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Photo Officer Promoted

Flying Officer Louis LeCompte, of the Photographic Establishment, has been promoted to the rank of Flight Lieutenant. F/L LeCompte is well known in hockey circles, being a member of the Olympic and World Champion RCAF Flyers in 1948 and active as a referee in international competitions since.

F/L LeCompte is in charge of colour production at the photo establishment. He has served in the RCAF since 1935.



AMC Civil Servants Hold Key Positions

Two stories appeared recently, one in the Citizen, and the other in the Journal, which highlighted important jobs being carried out by two AMC employees - both female.

Miss Amy Drake, a draughtsman with the office of the Staff Officer Engineering Drawings, and Miss Mary Kelly, an administrative officer on the Senior Officer Equipment General's staff, were the subjects of the interesting articles.

Miss Drake is responsible for keeping the drawing of all aircraft colour schemes up to date. This involves a separate drawing for each type in service and in most cases several drawings, as most aircraft types have multiple roles. The story that caught the attention of the newshawks was that Miss Drake's drawings of Canadian aircraft with the United Nations may well be adopted as the standard for all UN aircraft.

Miss Kelly is concerned with fuels, fuels of all types from coal used to heat RCAF buildings to JP4 used to propel jets across the sky. She has the complicated job of determining in advance the requirements for the whole air force and raising the necessary documents that result in con-

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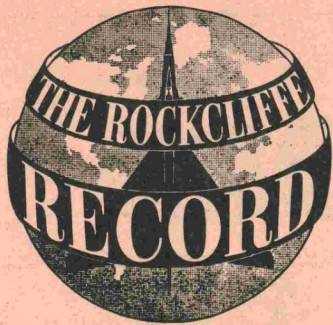
Wins Press Club 'Spiel

A rink skipped by Mike Blowers of AMC captured the Ottawa Press Club curling championship at a novelty bonspiel held on Rockcliffe ice last Saturday.

The rink included Kay Blowers, Charles and Polly King and an extra, Grey Hamilton, Runners-up were last year's champs, the Mo Morrison rink (Bea Morrison, Jean Paul and Connie Charbonneau).



Queen Scouts Raymond Springer (l) and Murray Bell after presentation of rings by Mrs. George Foley, president of the mothers auxiliary.



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Bullseye

The indoor range located in the basement of Bldg. 131 has been quite active for the first part of the winter season.

The greatest activity and interest so far has been in the Dominion Marksmen competition for sporting rifles. In the few months up to the end of December the following have qualified for lapel pins as indicated:

Name	B S G
Maureen Driscoll	X X X
Tony Going	X
D. Senechal	X X
Wayne Duncan	X
Vaughn Cunningham	X X X
Peter Wood	X X X
Rupert Kritsch	XX
Bruce MacDonald	X X X
Randy Wood	X
John Booth	X
Van Charnell	X
Serge Sylvestre	X
Bradford Glavin	X
Sgt. K. E. Cox	X X X

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Wing * Span

by Sgt. Art Marshall

Here we are again folks, and since the weather has warmed up some, we'll come out of hibernation and write the Wing Span. Cpl "George" Daoust is one of two personalities from THE FLIGHT to appear in the Wing Span for this issue.



Cpl J.A.V. Daoust

It is in Bourget, Quebec, where we will first start the biographical resume of JA Daoust; it was here where George received his schooling, and worked, prior to joining the RCAF in 1941.

After being trained as a Wireless Air gunner, George served with 115 BR Squadron on the west coast at Patricia Bay and Tofino, and after many coastal patrols, proceeded overseas. On the wars' end, Cpl Caost moved to Montreal, being employed as a draughtsman with Northern Electric for 5 years.

In 1951, George looked the Air Force over for career possibilities, and liking what he saw, enlisted in the Regular, this time in the Telecommunication-trade. It wasn't long after joining up again that he found himself in 426 Squadron, and Korean airlift which included 5 months detached duty in Japan and the Aleutian Islands. After the Korean war, George stayed on with 426, travelling over the world, until 1955, when he was sent to 4 Wing for three years. From Germany he came to PT Flight, where we hope to see him around for awhile yet.

Cpl Daoust has been married since 1955, and he and Mrs. Daoust are the proud parents a boy and a girl, their little girl being born last November. It may be a little late in coming, but congratulations to the both of you.

The second member of the Flight for this issue is Sgt. "Burnie" Burnside.



Sgt J.E. Burnside

Burnie hails from St. Josephs Island near Sault St. Marie, where he spent his earlier years, and later on in life worked in North Bay. In 1941 prior to joining the RCAF, John was busy helping to build the mighty Hurricanes.

After joining the service, and training as an Airframe mechanic at St. Thomas, Burnie saw service at Trenton, Arnprior and Charlottetown, and from there went overseas in 1944, and joined the famous 425 Alouette Squadron.

On the termination of hostilities in Europe, and repatriation, Burnie tried civie st. for 11 months, but the service was a part of him, and so he became a career airman. From Trenton he did a tour with 413 Sqn, and then on to 416 Sqn at Uplands, from Uplands the Burnside family travelled to Camp Borden, where John spent 3 1/2 years teaching prospective Airframe Technicians. It was in 1955 when John and clan wanted to see the west, and so on to Moose Jaw for 5 years. After that lengthy stay in the mid-west, the Burnside again came east, this time to our own PT Flight, and are now settled down in PMQ's.

It was in 1942 while at Trenton that John was married, and now the family consist of Mum, Dad and 5 children, Burnie just confided in me that I can make that 6, as Mrs. Burnside is expecting shortly. We will congratulate you both later, when we know whether it's pink or blue.

We, in the Flight know Sgt. Burnside for his ability to get the job done, and for his quick

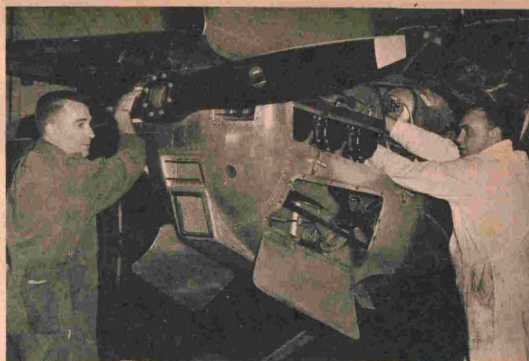
so we won't bother them.

Let's drop in on the Telecom boys and see what all the groans are about ---- it's nothing too serious, just that Ray Beckholdt and Marcel Gauvin have to go to TD for several weeks to Europe -- Gads, how can you stand it! I had better get out of here, Joe is trying to sell me aircraft 2308 - wonder why!

Next door to the Telecom is the I & E Section, where Ralph Charbonneau is waiting with a few comments on their recent section party. Go ahead Ralph. "I would like to thank the two very charming ladies who so generously accepted the task of preparing the buffet supper. Mrs. Griffith and Mrs. Stewart admitted they had taken their cooking courses through Westinghouse, so it had to be good -- and indeed it was ladies --, we all thank you very much. This party was made possible through the efforts, co-operation (and in some cases, abstention) of all our members. We regret the absence of one or two members and their wives, as they missed a real "good DO".

Thanks, Ralph, and I for one must agree, the party was a huge success. As it's just about lunch time, we will make tracks back to the hangar. It seems Sgt Lozanski, Cpl. Laisnes and LAC O'Connor spent a few days in Fort William, repairing an aircraft. Did you get a chance to see any of the local sights fellows, or did the job keep you too busy????? Before I close I might

add that yours truly has joined the many Canine Lovers (I



Army Cpls Gauthier and LaCroix

and usually witty comebacks. Keep up the good work, and humour, John.

And now to say hello to new arrivals, a big welcome to Cpls McNutt and Young, Lac's Pennett, Tucker and Gogen. We sincerely hope you fellows enjoy your stay with us, and we know you will, once you learn the ropes.

We will now take our usual jaunt around the hangar and see or hear the latest. Here's some Army lads around a new aircraft of theirs', it appears that Cpls Baker and Crumb are trying to get around some chubby chap to carry out a few repairs, take no notice, fellows, he may go away. Oh, yes, the staff has promised to give us a small write up on the Army Detachment, how about making it for the next issue Staff? Here we see two more Army cpls working on another of their aircraft, Roger Gauthier, and Rene La-Croix, no less, they look busy,

did say lovers). After all the trouble I have had with my latest addition to the family, I will gladly relay any info I have gathered, especially where to (and where not to) buy a young puppy. Oh, yes, the pup's name -- well, since midnight seems to be his time to howl, it may just be the appropriate handle to give him.

Well, dear readers, that is all for this time, and so until the end of the month -- "It is what we learn, after we think we know it all, that counts!"

One of the great mysteries of life is how the boy who wasn't good enough to marry the daughter can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world.

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ACCOUNTS NEWS

By LAC G. Theal

With the passing of the shortest month of the year and only a month from Spring, it appears that the new car bug has bitten a number of our staff early this year.

Archie Macdonald started it off by waltzing into the parking lot last week with a new Valiant (called the Red Knight) followed a few days later by Russ Hibbert with a new Austin 7 (850). And of course Al Corbin is sporting a smart looking 56 Chev Bel-Air. And rumour has it that WO1 Rose has a new 61 Pontiac on order.

Then again the sports car idea has been working on the mind of F/O Ovens and Bob Moore.

Speaking of ideas, seems Sgt Wilson is making a great many visits to the M & I AO's office lately to say good morning to Sandra the talking calendar.

In other words the figures on the calendar speak for themselves.

On the 15th February it was the pleasure of some forty or fifty members of the staff and their guest to attend a Valentine party held in the North Wing of the Mess. An orchestra was in attendance with music and dancing being enjoyed by all. It was also a great pleasure at the party to extend our best wishes to F/L and Mrs. 'Walt' Wickson on their wedding anniversary.

Spot dance prizes were won by Sgt & Mrs. Gilzean, Mr. & Mrs. Wood and LAW Christianson and LAC Arbour.

Hockey again this month was the predominant sport in which the Station Supply section team won a 13 to 6 victory over the Accounts section last Friday afternoon.

The grey ghost (Sgt Quilty) seemed to be there at the right time to sink 7 of the 13 scores racked up for supply. Latimer scored 4, Charleton & Etmanski one each.

Big guns for Accts were Belanger with 3, Macdonald with 2 and Champagne one.



"Smile Boys"

A few of the bits and pieces of gossip since last issue are: Marcel Sawyer is settled quite comfortably in his new home in Hull.

Dot MacFarlane has taken over as office furniture mover in place of FS Lafleur.

Two new members of the rifle club are AWs Christianson and Smith, both proving to be good rifle shots, with scores ranging between 90 and 100.

AW Webster is well on her way to Downview after receiving a fountain pen as a farewell token from the staff. Seems Gerry Houle is practicing for the part of 'Chester' in Gun Smoke.

And our question of the month:-

'Who is having a little income tax problem?'

WINS BET

Two elderly men, swimming at an indoor pool in a Vancouver park, made a bet on who could remain under water longer.

George Palmer, 72, won the bet, staying under water - until the pool manager jumped in, pulled him out, applied artificial respiration and sent him off to hospital.

He was reported in satisfactory condition.



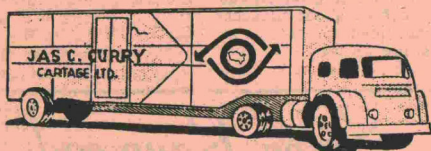
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Protestant Congregational Dinner held in the Airmen's Mess on the evening of January 26th. Seen at the head table from left to right are Mrs. D. Price, Mrs. D. Lower, WO A. Gibbs, Mrs. L. Randall, Padre J.H. Dean, Mrs. D.

Macdonald, Padre C.H. Jensen, W/C D. Macdonald, Mrs. J.H. Dean, G/C L. Randall and Mrs. A. Gibb.

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First Rover Investiture



January 12th, saw the first Rover Crew formed on the Station with the investiture of two of its leaders and of its Rover mate. Those invested were WC Hammets, as Rover Leader, Ray Parthenais assistant Rover Leader, and Ron Bourne as Rover Mate, the two leaders have devoted much time and effort toward the formation of the Rover Crew, while the Rover mate has been in Scouting since he was knee high. Mr. J. McCracken, the district Rover Leader, performed the investiture ceremonies.

Now a bit about what Rovering is; Rover Scouts are a Brotherhood of the open air and service. They are hikers of the open road and campers of the woods, able to shift for themselves, but equally ready and able to be of some service to others. They are in point of fact a senior branch of the Boy Scout Movement.

The four main aims of the

scout training in woodcraft are to develop these points:- Character and intelligence, Handicraft and Skill, Health and Strength, service for others and Citizenship.

It gives the older boy an aim for remaining under helpful influence at the difficult time of his life when he is just entering manhood.

When a Rover Scout is invested he has his hands washed. This custom dates back to the time of King Arthur's Round Table. In ancient times it was the custom for future knights to be laved with water in token of washing away past misdeeds and as a sign that they are determined to start afresh. This has been carried on into the rover scout investiture, to signify their willingness to live up to their motto "SERVICE."

The Rover Den is located in Bldg. 98 and they meet every second Thursday night. There are still many openings for candidates in the Rover Crew, so if anyone is interested in joining the Ro-

Memories

In memory of the section Christmas Parties
(Composed by an Unidentified member of the MSE Section)

People smoking,
People drinking,
Coughing, choking,
Getting stinking,
Some discreetly
Boiled or fried;
Some completely
Ossified.
Liquor spilling,
Trousers sopping,
Steady swilling,
Bodies drooping,
Glasses falling
On the floor,
People calling,
"Drop some more",
Bodies steaming
Morals stretching,
Airmen retching,
Heavy smoking,
Air gets thicker.
Someone croaking,
"No more liquor!"
What! What!!!
No

More

Liquor
People snicker,
Unbelieving,
No more drinking -
Groans and hisses!
What a stinking
Party this is.



Representing Rockcliffe in the ladies division of the RCAF Wire Bowling Tournament are (front l to r) May Bullard, June Leneham, Gladys Gibb, (back) Vicci Blatherwick and Mary Sutton with a team score of 2,981.



Top Rockcliffe team in the RCAF Wire Bowling Tournament (men's division) is (Front l to r) Percy Addleman, Stan Molinski, John Olenic, (back) Les Berini and Les Bullard with a team score of 3,524.



Rover Movement contact Cpl. Bill Hammets at Loc. 32-331.

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"Rocks" -- Natural For Natives

Curling has come to the Arctic! Seal and polar bear hunting and fishing through the ice may soon be replaced by the old and ancient ice game. Future generations of Eskimos will probably be more adept at throwing the "rocks" than tossing a harpoon.

Newest recruits to swell the ranks of more than 500,000 curlers in this country is a unique rink formed last year at Cape Parry, a combined RCAF/USAF radar base on the frozen shores of the Arctic Ocean.

Four Eskimos, employed by the civilian contractor at this main DEW line site, last year became interested in curling and teamed up to compete with Canadian and American civilian and military personnel at the base.

One of the most northern curling rinks in North America - the RCAF base at Resolute Bay, 74 degrees north, has a rink -- the building itself is a makeshift affair, combining both native and contemporary architecture.

The framework of the structure was fashioned with tim-

bers salvaged from discarded construction huts used when the line was built. Scrap electrical cable was strung inside and hooked up to the base power plant for lighting.

Over the frame a heavy canvas was stretched to form the roof and walls. Blocks of snow were cut from nearby drifts and banked solidly against the sides of the rink such as one would pile cement blocks. This afforded an excellent break from the chill Arctic wind that sweeps across the snow-covered tundra.

The Eskimos, who are hired as vehicle drivers by the Federal Electric Corporation, draw water daily for the camp from a nearby lake. Many gallons were hauled by them to form the single sheet of ice inside the rink.

At first they were a bit dubious about dumping all that water on the ground. As one RCAF officer put it, "They thought we were a little crazy asking them to haul water all that distance and then pour it on the ground to freeze".

And in 39 degree below zero weather the water froze as

fast as they could pour it. Ice at this extremely frigid temperature does not necessarily make for good curling as it becomes very brittle and is easily chipped by a poorly-delivered 40 pound rock.

Now in the second year of operation, with one bonspiel held in July of last year and another scheduled for this year, the rink has become the prime recreational activity for the four RCAF, two USAF and more than 100 civilian employees at Cape Parry.

The Eskimo team, having hand and eye, common to their race, are developing into a top-notch rink, according to Squadron Leader Eric Tuckey of London, Ont, senior military commander at the DEW LINE site.

Who knows, some day we may see them in stiff competition with their fellow Canadians to the south.

After all, being more than 200 miles inside the Arctic Circle they can practice throwing the rocks on natural ice, ten months of the year.



"WHO WINS?" - - - Aclose point is marked off in the "unique" curling rink at Cape Parry, N.W.T., Dew Line base on the Arctic Ocean. Skip of the four - man Eskimo rink, Edward Rurbin, 42, (center) and his second, Eric Lester, 28, (left) claim the game from the opposing skip Squadron Leader E.C. Tuckey of London Ont., senior military commander of the combined RCAF/USAF radar site.



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408 SQN NEWS

By: F/O Keith Ansell and the Stout Man.

Once again the indispensable Lancasters show the way! This year's fun and games with the Army at Fort Wainwright Alberta, was again enhanced by the appearance and performance of our Squadron 'beauties'.

The task of the Namao controllers was made a little more difficult at one stage by the three call-signs 'ONE TWO ZERO', 'ONE TWO ONE' and 'ONE TWO TWO'!! No wonder they were heard to mutter darkly in their beavers that they would be glad to see the last of Lancaster lumber over the horizon.

For the collectors of facts concerning 'Firsts' 'Biggest' and 'Longest', etc., it was during this exercise that a 'Hercules' took off with 96 personnel on board - 90 soldiers and 6 crew - the largest number of personnel to be lifted at one time in an RCAF aircraft. This graceful 'aluminum tube' of 435 (T) Sqn was greatly admired (and envied) by 408 crews - who could only mutter - 'Just wait until we get our 106's!!'

With the departure of the air assessment team for their home base at Trenton, the aircrew are beginning to breathe a little more freely, return from leave and come out from their hiding places...it is expected that the usual schools will reconvene shortly.

For those interested in graduates of the ice-worm diet course, we should mention that F/O Sharkey and LAC Leduc have just returned from winter survival looking none the worse for wear. At the moment the Sqn has two 'thin men' on this course - F/O Lypchuk and Cpl Fretts are attempting to actually disappear!

Congratulations Dept: To ex 408 - F/O 'Jim' Torek and his

bride for many long and happy years ahead. (We suppose the TR 3 is on the chopping block now eh!) LAC 'Dick' Burkhardt has really been busy: He has remustered to ClkMed and the next day completely surprised the whole Sqn by quietly taking the fatal plunge last month. Sincere best wishes to you and your bride Dick and may all your days be filled with success. Speaking of marriages - it certainly looks as if we'll not only lose 'Willie' to an overseas unit, but also one very determined airman intends to follow her across the pond to marry her. To Willy and Eugene the very best from all here in 408.

Cpl 'Gil' Lacroix is the proud papa (the 4th time) of a 9 lb 2 oz baby - this time it's a boy. Gil and Sofia have no intention of spoiling their first son or at least that's what Gil claims, however the new boy will be going on fishing and hunting trips soon we'll wager!

FS 'Les' Talbot's daughter 'Lynda' awakened her dad the other morning in the very early hours to advise him he had an 'Alert'. The alert turned out to be noises made by car thieves whom Lynda had heard - dad rushed out in pyjamas and bare feet to nail the culprits to the wall but just as he appeared on the scene the wily knaves managed to start the car and drove off. However the police did recover the car and found it to be in reasonably good condition.

All of 408's Ops and Maint staff have been channelled through the Nuclear Defence course and found it to be very interesting. For those who did not get to see the film on 'Mouth to mouth artificial respiration', it is suggested that you make every effort to do so - it is well worth it! 408 Sqn have three new faces in Cub activities this year: F/O George Simmons, LAC George Kerr and F/O Bruce Waters - good to have you out fellows and we are sure you will be amply rewarded in time to come.

Before saying farewell for this time perhaps we should mention that a large four engined aircraft, sometimes called Lancaster, was observed to more or less 'Drop-In' on the station - and now with this said we are off and I do mean running!

PS: Attention F/L 'Art' Nickless - we understand Frank



Assistant district Commissioner Bob Sheppard (centre) with Rockcliffe Group Committee after investiture. (l to r) C.H. Bell, S.W. Banner, R.F. Angell, the ADC, G.J. Foley, J.J. Bunting, G.L. Burness. Missing from photo F/S Hannon, R.C. Hannan, D.S. Laidlaw, W. Glavin.

Father And Son Banquet

Mahavolich of the Leafs has dedicated his next 6 goals to you!

We're back in the marriage business again - Congratulations to LAC 'Pete' Trudeau and his lovely bride - we wonder how long it will take for the days to pass up in Resolute Bay Pete? Pete and Yvonne were married just prior to Pete's tour of duty in Resolute - Oh well the marriage may have started off cold but things should warm up when you return Pete!

Now speaking of two car families - how about this chap F/L Bruce Klingbiel who operates a big station wagon plus a brand new and peppy Kar-Mann Chial We understand that F/L Gus Springer has just entered the race too with a new Meteor - he's converting his Buick into a hanger mule for the maintenance staff.

Black Stanes

Cont'd from Page 1 simply sprayed with water when freezing weather occurs and curling commences.

His curling club has sixteen members on the regular list, the annual fee is five shillings and with luck they can count on ten games during the winter. Of course all other activity comes to a halt when there is a good frost.

"The Crawford John's" will occupy a place of honour in the Rockcliffe club rooms when the new trophy case is completed.

Civil Servants

Cont'd from Page 1 contracts being let. The contracts add up to an impressive total - some 35 to 40 million dollars per year.

Although the two are not acquainted they have much in common, both "joined" the RCAF (as civil servants) early in the Second World War, both have risen from relatively minor positions to their present key roles through ability and application and, most remarkably, both are considered "perfect employees" by their superiors.

AMC is fortunate in having employees of the calibre of Miss Drake and Miss Kelly.

Following the banquet, all present adjourned to the north wing of the Airmen's Mess for the remainder of the programme.

The activities got under way with Scouter Danny Holmes leading the group in a singsong. Mrs. George Foley presented Queen Scout rings to Raymond Springer and Burray Hall. An investiture for three "new chums" (cubs) was carried out by Cubmaster Bob Shaw and B pack. The Group Committee was invested by Commissioner Bob Sheppard, Scout Master Tom Munding on behalf of the 54th Scouters presented scout pins to the Group Committee and Mrs. Foley of the Mothers' Auxiliary. A going-up ceremony for Cub Terry Tom was carried out by CM Hagerman and SM Hudson. Later in the evening, SM Hudson invested Terry Tom in scouts.

A number of service stars for 1, 2 and 3 years' service were awarded to several scouts and cubs. ADC Sheppard presented the 11 years' service award to Lady Cub Master Romi Charman and a five year star to SM Tom Minding and a 1 year star to SM Ken Hudson.

DSM Gordon Richard presented badges to scouts. The fireman's badge - Bill Southward, Barry Harris, John Gibbons and John Booth; Swimmer's Badge - David Dickinson, Mason Brown, Cub instructor's Badge (Scouts) - Paul Davidson, Wayne Duncan, Maurice Rochon, Jim Hayman, Barry Harris, Bill Bell, Chemist Badge - Brian Laishes, Artist Badge - Ronnie St. Louis, Mike Casey, Tony Going, Scouts Wayne Duncan, Barry Harris, Bill Bell and Jim Plum were awarded their Second

Class badges. DCM Wally Charman presented badges to the cubs. Collector badge - Randy Smith, Terry Tom, Stephen Dour; Team Player - Donald and Dennis Ablet, Swimmer - Terry Tom. Lapel pins were presented to all the cubs of the Wednesday night pack.

In addition to the badge presentation, ACM, Don Currie received certificates for the Wood Badge - parts 1 and 2, ACM Bruce Wallace received his preliminary certificate for cub training.

A demonstration of first aid by scouts and 1st star test by cubs was given. The Rover Scouts under their leaders Bill Hammetts and Ray Parthenias put on a skit to end the evening's activities. Tribute was paid to Rover Leader Parthenias for the fine job he had done for scouting.

Ray Parthenias has left the station on posting to El Arish.

The singing of the National Anthem brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

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