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## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

### A Christmas Story

by Paul McKenna Davis

The man at the desk stretched and looked gloomily at the bare paper in the typewriter, bare save for a struggling first sentence that had been exed out in the fashion of the newspaperman, who, never having an eraser handy, takes the easy way out and relies on the copyreader to make sense out of the final jumble of starts and stops.

*This is the day of rejoicing, he had written . . . peace and good will . . .* He ripped the paper out of the machine with an explosive sound that shattered the early morning stillness of the city room. He sourly regarded the near-dawn sky out the window and switched on the desk radio. Someone was swinging into the second 32 bars of the Christmas Song: *They know that Santa's on his way . . . He's loaded lots of toys and goodies on his sleigh . . . And every mother's child is going to try, to see if reindeer really know how to fly.* "Mouthwash!" he said to nobody in particular, rising to inspect a teletype that had started to sputter as if in answer to his soliloquy. The bulletin told of a distraught mother who had slain her three tiny children on the eve of Christmas. It came from some far away sector of the Colorado foothills. Nothing local, nothing to recast for - - just good for a short bulletin. He quickly marked it up and put it in the out basket with the slender run of late copy.

*Peace on earth . . .* the phrase returned to a lead position on a new sheet and was quickly exed out again. "Lord," he thought. "This is getting tougher every year." How many Christmas editorials had he written? How many Christmases are there in the life span of a newspaperman? I've stopped believing, he thought. That's what's making it a job of labor.

He looked at the spread-out file of Christmas perennials. Dickens' Tiny Tim story stared at him, a little mockingly it seemed. No theme to borrow there, O'Henry's Gift of the Magi lay to one side, mutely dog-eared and thumb-marked from many Decembers of reference use. A Spanish fable called The Small One the story of an ugly duckling burro, who, rejected and laughed at by his mates, had been pressed into service to carry the Blessed Virgin to the stable and thus become legend. And so on . . . *Must watch that ugly duckling burro metaphor, he thought. Never know when someone intelligent might pick a fellow up on that.*

*The Stranger seemed to come from nowhere.* "Could I have a minute," he said softly, apologetically. The man at the desk looked up, annoyed. "You startled me," he said. "Is is something important? I'm busy. You see, I've got to get this piece in today's paper." Brusquely: "If it's money, I haven't got . . . If it's about a job, see the city editor; he'll be in this afternoon." He noted quickly that the man standing across the desk from him was a little ragged, a little down at the heels, but he noted, too, that the visitor was well scrubbed, with none of the facial furrows of worry that mark the unhappy or disenchanting man. The stranger spoke softly:

"It's not money," he said, "not really." though, he shrugged, "I guess I could use a good, square meal. I've been moving around a lot tonight."

"Well, what do you want?" asked the editor.

"A job," the other fellow answered.

"But I told you . . ."

"I want a job working for you," the stranger interrupted. "Looks like you need a little help. Just give me a minute. I think I can make you understand."

"What's the difference, the man at the desk thought. I'm getting nowhere anyway - - might as well talk to the man." "And what can you do for me?" he asked, a little less testily.

"That's what I'd like to find out," said the stranger.

"You could start by taking over and writing this Christmas editorial," said the man at the desk. "And if you don't move out of here pretty fast, no one's going to write it. Got any suggestions?"

"Well, you could always start with *This is a day for rejoicing . . . Peace on earth . . .*"

The editor half rose and banged the desk. "There you go!" he shouted. "Everybody's written that, and 'his voice rose, 'nobody believes it. Can't you see? Nobody believes it!"

"And who's nobody?" asked the stranger. "Start with me," the editor snapped out angrily. "I trouble with you people is you don't read the papers . . . or do you? And if you do," he rushed on, "do you know what you are reading? Pestilence, starvation, hatred, trouble, greed and whatnot . . . from city hall to Budapest and back!" He sat back a little winded from the outburst. "Now how about it?" he said. "Here . . . I haven't got much, but here's a couple of dollars. Go on out and feed yourself."

The stranger ignored the money. "I told you I'd only take a few minutes," he said, "and I told you I wanted a job. But not for long, maybe, - - let's say for just long enough to help you out or whatever jam you've in at the moment." He looked at the editor pleadingly. "You're only looking at the surface thing," he said. Oh Lord! thought the man at the desk . . . another evangelist. "You see," the stranger went on. "I do read the papers, really I do. Look . . . I happen to have yesterday's paper with me. Not very bright, is it?"

"You catch on fast," said the editor. The front page stood out



boldly calling attention to another bloodbath behind the iron curtain, the nine people killed in city and district traffic, the 63 plane victims, the million dollar divorce suit.

"But that's only the surface," the stranger answered softly. "You didn't read all the paper, Look," he said eagerly. "There's a story buried back on page 17 about service clubs and hostels holding more Christmas parties for kids this year than ever before. Here's another story," he went on. It was a picture story that showed people singing Christmas carols to the tired passengers on the Manhattan subway. "And look," he continued . . . "page after page of nicer stories: news about people trying to do a little good, to offset - - in one way or another - - the cruelty and selfishness that seems to stand out above all else, merely because it's unique. What you're forgetting," he said, "is that for every ill-intentioned person there are ten who care. Sooner or later, they'll surely outnumber the destroyers."

This was persuasive talk. The man at the desk sat back interested. "Go on, he said, "you're making a little sense. I like that gimmick about the brigands. Go ahead . . ."

"Well, I haven't much time, really," the stranger said. "I said I might be able to help you write what you've been trying to write, and it looks like you mayn't have too much trouble now." He smiled.

"Hey, stick around a while," said the editor. "You're not going to run off and leave me with just that idea for a lead, are you? Look, he said briskly. "Just sit here for a half-hour or so and we'll go out for breakfast just as soon as I bat out this piece. Listen . . ."

He started typing and reciting at the same time. *This is a day for rejoicing . . . Another Christmas Day is here, and everywhere men of good will are exchanging kindly thoughts. Everything is going to be all right - - if only people will learn to love a little more . . .* "How does that sound?" he asked. The empty room stared back at him and the punched out exes on the copy paper moved into silent focus.

He stretched and rubbed the sleep out of his eyes. Tiny Tim, O'Henry's and The Small One still lay in front of him on the desk, but now they seemed like old friends.

Outside, the December 24th snowfall was coming through right on schedule. Somewhere very near the building a dog barked joyously, lacing the shouts and cries of children with the wordless song of a snowball battle. He switched on the desk radio just in time to hear Jingle Bells blaring out its ancient tune. Off in the distance, a carillon was striking up Adele's Fideles.

*This is a day for rejoicing, he wrote rapidly. Another Christmas Day is here, and everywhere men of good will are exchanging kindly thoughts. Everything is going to be all right - - if only people will learn . . .* He paused and exed out the last sentence, and quickly retyped: *For sooner or later, people ARE going to learn to love a little more.*

The typewriter was singing now . . . in tune with the radio and the carillon.

### MAYOR JOHN PRATT SENDS GREETINGS

As Mayor of the City of Dorval, I welcome this opportunity to extend my best wishes to everyone for a very Merry Xmas, and a most Happy New Year.

As a nation the fifties have been good to us and we all pray that the sixties will bring us peace and happiness throughout the world.

It is obvious, to all who keep abreast of current events, that the next ten years will bring more changes in our way of living, for better or for worse, than the previous one hundred years.

We must learn to face the facts that unless we help to raise the standard of living in the less privileged parts of the world, our own standard will inevitably fall, and Xmas 1969 may be darker than we dare think.

However, to look on the brighter side, Canada seems destined to play an important part in helping to shape a better world in which to live and bring up our children. We do not rank as a world power but we exert a strong spiritual influence in the deliberation of the nations of the world, far beyond our size and importance. Let us pray that those who represent us will continue to be inspired in their search for peace on earth for men of good will.



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## Not New But Still Wonderful!

Even the most inventive greeting card rhymster has never been able to improve on a phrase that's been standard, and perfect, for nineteen centuries plus.

The editors of THE DORVAL REPORTER are neither inventive nor are they heretics enough to attempt coining toppers for anything as simple and beautiful as "A Merry Christmas!" Here is a greeting that has lost nothing with repetition, and how nice it is that tomorrow's salutation will sound as fresh in the saying as it did last year, the year before, and the year before.

A Merry Christmas implies all that it says. It embraces love, good cheer, warmth and concern for our fellowman. It transcends long-standing differences, and it rings with the ever-latent desire to forgive our oppressors and start the New Year with a clean slate. A Merry Christmas, in total, is a wish even the agnostic cannot ignore. For in this season of love and goodwill - this time when all the wonderful fantasies centuries of tradition have fostered take precedence over fifty-one weeks of reality - Santa is really here and he's in our hearts.

And so the editors, publisher and staff of this newspaper have very little to offer save the standard greeting. The greeting, however, is heartfelt and sincere; and we send it to all our friends, particularly to our readers and to the fine people concerned with the administration of the Lakeshore's Garden City. May tomorrow be the biggest day of all, and may all the days to come be happy and fruitful.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY!

## A Message From The Editor

The current issue of an opposition weekly of minor importance within Dorval provides the only jarring note to what should be a period of peace and good will for one and all. The paper in question makes a rather lefthanded attack on the writer. But worse than that, it takes a sneak punch as well at a city administration whose integrity is a matter of record.

Let us take a look at the facts.

Very recently, when the burden of editorship became too much for John Ferguson to handle further, I was invited to take over the job - and a working financial interest - of running THE DORVAL REPORTER. For some years I have been public relations officer for Dorval. To what degree could my becoming active in the local newspaper field affect my work for the city as a publicist? To what degree would I be influenced as an editor in behalf of the administration which pays my salary for public relations service? The degree can only be established detrimentally in the fancies and frustrations of a suspicious mind, and, I might add, a sour grapes antagonist.

My answer can best be expressed in the fact that before accepting this editorial post I made it plain to Mayor Pratt and all concerned that the two commissions could not conflict; that the editorship of THE REPORTER could not possibly carry any connotations of favor to administrative or political associations. And I was told by Mayor, Council and City Manager that nothing would be expected from this desk in the way of favourable news when such news was not merited. I was also told emphatically that THE REPORTER could expect no special favors either, and there we have the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

It is therefore a shade distressing to see a competitor stoop to such a degree of yellow journalism. The blast however was tempered with an admiring aside regarding the writer's broad-experience in the news field and in the compassionate sense, I only wish I could tender, as a Christmas package to my detractor, a portion of this experience. No competent editor or reporter ever raps another member of his craft, and certainly I learned in my cub days never to tangle with by betters. In short, the columnist who took a belt at the editor of THE DORVAL REPORTER is overmatched. I can only hope the columnist will exhibit better judgment in future. THE REPORTER expects no apology, but we do suggest that the writer of the drivel in question apologize to the City of Dorval and the fine, unselfish people who run the city. Such an apology would not only be common sense but in good taste as well.

THE DORVAL REPORTER has given more than two years of loyal and sincere service to the City of Dorval and its citizens. THE DORVAL REPORTER has never played politics or slanted its news. THE DORVAL REPORTER has, to the best of its ability, provided one hundred percent coverage of every facet of news that is vital to the Lakeshore's garden city and its bordering sister municipalities. Our sniper friend also injected a note of ridicule in identifying THE REPORTER as "Dorval's Family Newspaper." Here, at least, the sniper told the truth.

We are, and we will continue to be, the paper that serves every family in Dorval and the best interests of the community, long after inferior competitors have ceased to publish and written the last unimportant

"30".

*John Pratt*



"WHAT ABOUT MY WAISTLINE?", says Dorval Mayor R. John Pratt as Civitan past International President E.A. Moore presents his Worship with a sumptuous Christmas cake. The Mayor got the fruit-laden payola as a reward for his informative talk given recently to the Lakeshore Civilian Club. Photo C. Reg. Vidler



John Pratt

## Reports From Ottawa

### "Welfare Services

With the recent developments in Civil Defence, there are certain changes in policy and organization which affect future planning and operation of the Welfare Service. These will be briefly explained.

Following Order in Council P.C., 1959-456, the Department of National Health and Welfare had and shall exercise certain powers and duties in assisting the provinces and municipalities in organizing, preparing and operating services to provide:

- (1) Emergency accommodation
- (2) Emergency feeding
- (3) Emergency supplies
- (4) Guidance and assistance for evacuees which includes Registration and Inquiry, Emergency Clothing, and Personal Services.

The provinces and municipalities are responsible for the actual dispensing of the Emergency Welfare Services to the public. The Prime Minister stated this as follows in his statement of March 23rd to the House of Commons:

"The major humanitarian tasks of providing medical and hospital services for the injured and sick, public health measures and emergency billeting and other accommodation for those who must leave their homes, and emergency feeding and other welfare services, should remain, we believe, and direct responsibility of provincial authorities in war as they are in peace, but with increased assistance both financial and technical from the Dominion. This assistance would remain the responsibility of the Department of National Health and Welfare."

Therefore, in the light of new policy and division of responsibility, the task of Welfare is still to provide emergency survival services. This may be broken down into three types of area as follows:

- (1) In Reception Areas Welfare must:
  - (a) Still prepare to care for evacuees who will come from Target Areas by voluntary dispersal.
  - (b) Receive evacuees from areas of heavy fallout.
  - (c) Provide shelter protection for themselves and evacuees, and prepare to survive in shelter.
  - (d) Prepare to evacuate if heavy fallout necessitates such action.
- (2) In Re-entry Operations
 

The Army will re-enter stricken areas to save lives, but they will depend on Welfare Services for:

  - (a) Clothing after decontamination and where otherwise inadequate.
  - (b) Feeding as and when necessary.
- (3) In Vulnerable Areas
  - (a) The population of probable target must be prepared for:

- (1) Voluntary evacuation prior to attack or for shelter after attack.
- (2) Shelter living if there is no evacuation either before or after attack.
- (b) As well there must be a Welfare organization to:
  - (1) Do the Welfare pre-planning for the phase prior to attack.
  - (11) Be ready to go into action after attack either to support Welfare Services in Reception Areas as planned in the past or with outside assistance to reorganize near the periphery of their damaged city or area and set up the necessary Welfare Centres evacuees coming out of, or rescued from the area.
  - (111) Provide Welfare Services necessary for smooth

## Red Cross Blood Saved This Life

It might well have been a very black Christmas this year for a St. Laurent family had the Red Cross Blood Bank not supplied 18 pints of a rare - "O" RH Negative - type of blood to St. Mary's Hospital on the evening of December 8, for emergency transfusions.

The blood was required for transfusing Mrs. George A. Pilon, wife of a Dominion Store Department head employee, and mother of three children, all of whom were injured when the car in which they travelling on the Cote de Liesse Road plunged into a 35-foot hole dug earlier for a pillar on the Metropolitan boulevard, quarter of a mile west of Decarie Boulevard.

Most seriously injured was 36 year-old Yvette Pilon, who suffered fractured ribs, abdominal complications with internal bleeding, and extreme shock. Admitted to St. Mary's Hospital at 11:45 p.m. at night, Mme Pilon was able to undergo surgery only after receiving approximately 18 pints of blood transfusions. She is now happily out of danger.

"After we had exhausted our own supply of this rare blood type", declared the haematologist attached to St. Mary's Hospital, "the Red Cross Blood Bank came to our rescue and rushed fresh supplies to us from their Depot. On the day following surgery", he continued, "we estimated that the amount of blood in her body proved that Mme Pilon had been transfused into perfect balance, and that her chances of recovery were excellent. Yet the patient's condition on the day of the accident made us feel that the odds were against her".

Also admitted to St. Mary's for one day was George Pilon, whose injuries were limited to a broken nose, black eye, and severe bruises on both knees; as well as the eldest child, Jeannette, aged 12. The other two children, Denis 8, and Lise 4, received minor cuts and bruises for which they were treated at Notre-Dame de l'Espérance Hospital in St. Laurent.

Standing by his wife's bedside in St. Mary's with an air of anxiety

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and orderly re-occupation of an area if all or any part of it remains habitable and is to be re-occupied."

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## Councilmen Burn Midnight Oil In Eventful 8-hour Session

Considerable activity occurred in one of the lengthiest Council meetings of the winter year last Friday night when Mayor Frait and his thorough-going councilmen battled problems back and forth well into the wee small hours. The tired executive called it a night at 3:30 a.m.

First and foremost on the agenda was brief consideration of a looming court case with Steinberg's Limited over the old Station Road, homologation, and there was considerable talk as well about the fence-and the reported internecine warfare between the two super-market outlets. Discussion of this was cut short at the Mayor's suggestion, on the promise that any reported feuding was merely gossip at the moment.

News of capital spending for the coming year was forthcoming: Council has unanimously voted to place an absolute limit of \$300,000 on capital spending during the year 1960, and priorities will be assigned to projects of general rather than local importance. It was agreed that a self-imposed limit was necessary in view of the many capital projects which are in the discussion stage together with the difficulty and high cost of financing under prevailing conditions.

Council also gave notice that it intends to straighten Lakeshore Drive where the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club is situated, and it has been recommended that left turns be eliminated on Cote de Liesse Road.

Successful tenders for municipal equipment contracts were as follows: A fence contract totalling \$5,000 goes to the Frost Company; Lachine Plumbing received a commission to take care of plumbing and steamfitting installations at City Hall for a \$5,000 price; Hart Motors and Bertrand Motors, successful bidders, the former on a station wagon that will

be used as a combination cruiser and ambulance, while the latter successfully tendered on two Pontiacs. John Millen Canada Limited received the contract for grease and air compressor equipment.

In the building field, a construction firm has asked permission to construct two houses with 21-foot frontage, for rent and not for sale. Mayor Frait expressed himself in favor of row housing in certain areas, and cited as an example a similar project in Beaconsfield near the Steinberg supermarket.

A serious note of more than ordinary interest was injected with a letter from the Victorian Order of Nurses warning Council that they cannot continue through 1960 unless Dorval can take up the deficit slack for 1959 last year. The V.O.N. this year made 1,153 visits in the Dorval area and 53% of these were on a free basis. The average charge was \$2.78. In the course of this discussion, however, City Manager Rene LeBlanc came through with a ray of cheer: The province had agreed to shoulder fifty percent of welfare costs in 1960, and the result is that the city will have \$7,000 less to pay in the coming year.

Council also expressed worry over the city's possible inability to finance the various swimming pool projects, but ways and means will be discussed at a future meeting.

The mayor also voiced objection to streets being named after members of council, and the street name problem has been referred back to the City Planning Committee.

An invitation has been extended to Council to visit Montreal North next Tuesday night.



### PLAY IT SAFE . . . SAYS CHIEF NOEL

A friendly message to his fellow citizens was issued today by Dorval Police Chief A. R. Noel.

Motorists who insist on driving recklessly, or when they have been drinking, or when they are dead tired, are courting disaster during the three-day Christmas holiday. "The tragedy," says Chief Noel, "is that these irresponsible drivers not only place themselves in peril but often kill or maim innocent people in the process." The chief further stated that he reverently hoped common sense and consideration for the other fellow would prevail among Dorval motorists through the holiday. He cited five basic safety rules, as follows:

- 1) Alcohol and gasoline, when combined, make a lethal mixture. Keep them separated and you will survive the holiday period.
- 2) Before driving home from parties, late shopping trips, or even work, have a cup of strong coffee. It will help you to stay alert.
- 3) If you are exhausted or upset, leave the driving to someone else.
- 4) Traffic is always heavier than usual during the holiday period. Keep a light foot on the gas pedal

### KEEP AN EYE ON FIDO

More dogs are lost at this time of year than any other. It is not an unusual practice for unscrupulous hunters to steal a hunting dog, use him for a few days, then when he is exhausted toss him out of the car. If you own a hunting dog, take every precaution to prevent his be-

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ing "dognapped", including registration with The Canadian Kennel Club, 667 Yonge St., Toronto, if he is not already registered. He should be tattooed or noseprinted for certain identification in case of trouble.



### May the beautiful spirit of Christmas

...tral Canada, and 12 in Eastern Canada on Christmas Day; 24 in the west on New Year's Day, 47 in the central region and 13 in the east.

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## Weather Engineer Gives Fine Talk To Senior C of C

The age of altering the weather is with us in a small way, Bernard Power, vice-president of Weathering Engineering Corporation told the Dorval Chamber of Commerce last week.

The prominent weather executive, a citizen of Dorval, said that pioneer work had been accomplished in Quebec in seeding clouds for forest protection and for creating additional hydroelectric energy.

"The extra power in your lights here is due to cloud seeding in the vicinity of the Bersimis project," he stated.

Power explained that new techniques result in the production of 15 to 20% extra water in seeded areas, and that a contract had been completed providing additional snow for one of the Laurentian lodges.

"Rain is not created out of clear skies, but the amount of rain from moisture-laden clouds is accelerated," he said.

Talking on the subject of weather forecasts, Power stated that today's forecasts were 50 to 90% correct, and that 100% accuracy in the future was unlikely due to the unpredictability of nature. He said that the first weather forecast ever made appropriately was hung on the walls of the Chamber of Commerce office in Cincinnati in 1869.

Allan Capel presided over the meeting which was the first mixed one held by the Dorval Chamber of Commerce. Twelve fortunate ladies were the winners of prizes contributed by local merchants.

Because the meeting was mixed, reports were kept to a minimum, the shortest being two words from the water pollution chairman, "still polluted."



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THE LACHINE-DORVAL YMCA presented a new idea in informal courses this year by providing a short course in Christmas decorating. Second from left, we see instructress Mrs. Maralena Genser, and admiring the fine work are, left to right, Mrs. Marion Hunt, Mrs. Joyce Mount, Mrs. Nell Kerr and Mrs. Isobel Nickless. Other instructors for the course were Miss Parks of Henry Morgan & Company Limited, and Mrs. Elizabeth MacDermot from Flower & Green Decorations, Westmount.

There was music of an unusual nature after a call went out a Dorval United Church for musicians. A very interesting band was rounded up, everything from a piano to two guitars and an accordion. And then there was Mr. A.R. Keiller with his instrument. (I am not sure whether Mr. Keiller got his idea from Tabloid or whether Tabloid was indebted to Mr. Keiller for the demonstration they featured.) The instrument requires in its construction a galvanized tub, broom stick and harp string - - and great skill to coax music therefrom. One of those boys with a question for every occasion asked Mr. Keiller why he didn't have a case for it.

Mr. P. Ruta deserves special praise for preparing the music for all instruments (no one said whether this included Mr. K.S.). Mention should be made of the police shown all around when a hymn was called for which had not been rehearsed by the band, and for which they had no music.

It was the trend this year in at least one Dorval School for the students to contribute money towards one gift for the teacher. It fell to the class mothers to do the gift choosing.

Christmas in perspective! One hears more and more stories this year which put card sending and gift giving, especially in companies, on a more sensible basis. One large Textile firm in Eastern Montreal gave a very substantial contribution to UNICEF and then sent out simple cards bearing UNICEF seals to those customers usually receiving gifts. The Avmor Company bought UNICEF Greeting Cards in quantity to use as their business Christmas cards. A penny-postcard from the U.S.A. was received by one George V Street family bearing this message: "Rather than spend the usual large sum on Christmas cards we take this means of wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. We shall contribute the money to our favourite charity, School for Crippled and Retarded Children."

There were double parties at some of the local nursery schools last week. At the Parkisses Nursery School which has several Jewish children in attendance, a Chanukah party held, with special music, and the telling of the story of the Festival of Light. The children made posters representing the Menorah, the candelabra used for the lighting of the candles which mark this holiday. Potato pancakes, traditionally served at this time were given to the children, and there were little tops, the dreidles, for every child. A few days later the children shared together a Christmas party with all the familiar trimmings for small fry.

Mr. Alex Reaper, Dorval, was in charge of the Showing of Fashions which included Dupont sponsored ski-wear, at the Winter Sports Fair, a new and popular attraction recently at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. He was also Chairman of the Alpine Ball which was the finale of the Fair. Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Baker of Dorval attended the Ball.

The Reaper family has concentrated on skiing lately. Mrs. Reaper spent a week at Val David participating in the Canadian Ski Instructors Alliance Course. Mother of four children, she was one of the instructors for Roslyn School Ski Club who took the course and one of the few women to pass the stiff course.

Icy sleet and lack of drivers caused the December 12 Boy Scout paper drive to lag. Only seven out of the 20 fathers expected came out. This number was bolstered by a few fathers who were drafted when they delivered Scouts. Some of the boys who received rather a frosty welcome at "8:30 in the morning" had to give the bad news to householders that their clocks must have stopped during the night - - they were - - for one hour in some sections of Dorval. The boys are not discouraged and want to make the paper drive a regular thing - - next one, Feb. 6.

Out past her bedtime: One of the ladies from the United Church Home in Montreal West, entertained by the Couples Club of Dorval United Church was happy just to be up later than the usual curfew time. Besides this excitement there was a tour of the City of Dorval, refreshments, and singing by two choirs, the Junior Choir at the end of their regular rehearsal, and singing by two choirs, the Junior Choir at the end of their regular rehearsal, and the Senior Choir in a planned programme.

If you are out admiring the holiday decorations you will like the window scene at 55 Green Circle, and you should know that it was designed by the children in the family, three girls under thirteen, and painted by them with ordinary water colors and small paint-box brushes.

There are many things being done in Dorval in the true Christmas spirit. From the United Churches, the White Gifts brought to the White Gift Service will go into food hampers for the poor; simple white wrapped gifts will also be taken to St. Mark's Anglican Church next Sunday at their afternoon tableau presentation of The First Christmas, gifts which will gladden the hearts of Eskimo and Indian children next year. At St. Veronica's Church the children are asked to choose a gift from the ones they receive and leave it under the tree on Christmas Day for the work of the Knights of Columbus with underprivileged children. One Brownie Pack trimmed a cardboard tree producing marvellous results with bits of ribbon and tinsel and handmade decorations. The tree will go to a nearby orphanage along with gay Red Christmas stockings made by Guides and filled with small gifts.

In one Dorval home this year there will be observed a ritual of Christmas brought from Hungary. The Christmas tree will be decorated in secrecy by the parents on the 23rd, and shut from sight until six o'clock on Christmas Eve. In one magic moment of unveiling the children will see the decorated tree, and the gifts which are "left by the angels," a beautiful custom to keep and one which mingles happily with Canadian ways.

## AOTS MEN'S CLUB

Interesting, informative and inspiring was the verdict on the most successful December 1st, meeting of the Strathmore United Church AOTS Men's Club.

The guest speaker was Louis Foisy-Foley, an outstanding lay leader of the French-speaking members of the United Church in the Montreal district. As he developed his theme, "Evangelism through Public relations," many eyes were opened to the work and progress of Protestantism in this area.

M. Foisy-Foley covered briefly the history of the United Church in Quebec from 1925 to 1955 as a background to its present activities. He stressed that through the French Protestant Forum, the old idea of being different, separate and even antagonistic to the French-speaking majority, is being broken down. "Now," he said, "we are preaching respect for other peoples' religious convictions, instead of mere tolerance. Brotherly love instead of bigotry."

This change in approach has resulted in an increasing recognition of the United Church as an entity in French speaking circles, based on mutual respect. The influence of this attitude has brought an increased acceptance and understanding between the faiths of the United Church and the Roman Catholic Church.

M. Foisy-Foley answered many important questions by members after his formal talk, and the keen attention throughout attested to the success of the meeting.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mathieu Ouellet of l'Eglise du Sauveur, who, with other members of his church, accompanied M. Foisy-Foley. Subsequently, the seventy-plus members attending, joined in fellowship over a light lunch provided by wives of members of the Club.

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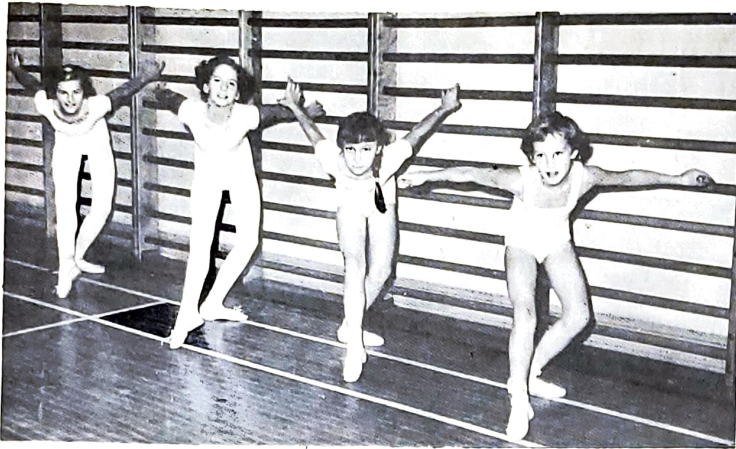
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THE DORVAL GARDENS HOME & SCHOOL BALLET PROJECT is producing fine results, and here are four attractive youngsters who have been granted scholarships. They will continue their training in the Town of Mount Royal under Eleanor Ashton of the Montreal Ballet Company. The pretty quartet includes, left to right, Heather Vaughan, Frances Munro, Patsy Lister and Mary Morris.

**KEEP AN EYE ON FIDO**

More dogs are lost at this time of year than any other. It is not an unusual practice for unscrupulous hunters to steal a hunting dog, use him for a few days, then when he is exhausted toss him out of the car. If you own a hunting dog, take every precaution to prevent his be-

ing "dognapped", including registration with The Canadian Kennel Club, 667 Yonge St., Toronto, if he is not already registered. He should be tattooed or noseprinted for certain identification in case of trouble.



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**Prompt Action Saves Youngsters**

On Tuesday, December 8th, two local boys, Terry Coleman, age 16 years, 55th Avenue, and Peter Coull, age 16 years, 34th Avenue, were saved from drowning by the prompt action of Mr. Wallace S. Elliott, 14 Elliott Place, Dorval, and Mr. James R. Moore, 38 Allard Avenue, Dorval.

The boys were rowing over to Dixie Island for some duck hunting, when their boat was swamped and capsized. They held on to the boat and Peter Coull, with great presence of mind, managed to fire his shotgun into the air.

The shot attracted the attention of the two men, who were on shore checking on Mr. Elliott's duck hunting boats, because the water had come up the previous night. The men promptly installed their outboard motor, and proceeded to rescue the boys who could not have survived much longer.

Terry Coleman was treated for shock and exposure at The Lachine General Hospital, while Peter Coull suffered no ill effects.

The parents of both boys take this opportunity of expressing public thanks to Mr. Elliott and Mr. Moore for their heroic deed.

A report of the incident has already been made to the provincial authorities to secure, if possible, official recognition for the two men.

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## Blood Bank Need Always Problem

The editors of THE DORVAL REPORTER take pleasure in publishing the following important message in behalf of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

A 10-year old boy died last year during the Christmas holidays because there was not enough blood of his own group available. Little Jean-Pierre was badly injured when the car driven by his father was hit by a truck. The boy who suffered severe cuts to the body was rushed to the nearest hospital, but there was not enough blood available to save his life.

Every year, with the return of the festive season, an unknown number of lives of sick or injured people cannot be saved because the blood bank is dry. This blood bank is the responsibility of each citizen of this province.

Scientists have not yet discovered a synthetic product to replace the magic, life-saving fluid that flows in the veins of human beings. To save the life of a man,

woman or child, it is essential that another human gives of his own blood.

The quantity prevailed from the healthy for the sick is small, less than one pint. Any adult in good health has 12 to 14 pints of blood and can spare easily and painlessly one pint to save the life of someone else.

The Canadian Red Cross acts as a collecting and distributing agent. Its job is to collect a minimum of 2,800 pints each week. But, however efficient the Red Cross blood transfusion service is, when citizens fail to contribute to the blood bank, there are dire shortages. These shortages can be foreseen but, it is not possible to prevent them by stocking up reserves. Whole blood is a perishable life-saving commodity which does not keep more than 21 days. Supplies must be constantly replenished. And this is the concern of every citizen.

At this time of the year when we spend so much time on parties and so much money on drinks and gifts, let's remember the tragic story of Jean-Pierre. We can so easily prevent heartbreaking tragedies of this type. All we have to do is to stop at the Red Cross blood donor clinic and give a pint of our blood.

## Apples Big Aid To Healthy Teeth

An apple a day may not, as grandmother insisted, always be effective in keeping the doctor away but there's growing evidence that it can at least keep the dentist away.

Research recently concluded in Britain disclosed in Canada by the Quebec Pomological Society indicates that apple eating does play a major part in preventing tooth decay. The research project conducted jointly by Liverpool University and the Medical Research Council, goes a long way towards proving scientifically what was formerly once only conjecture.

The researchers, concerned at the growing incidence of tooth decay among English children, were looking for a simple and effective measure that was popular and easy to perform when tooth-brushing was impracticable. They decided that a crisp, juicy apple was the best answer.

Nearly 400 children were divided into two groups, an Apple Group and a Control Group. The Apple Group was given apple slices to eat regularly every day over a period of two years, at the end of each meal and after eating anything between meals.

As the survey proceeded it became apparent that the children who were not given extra apples were developing a significantly larger percentage of decay than the children in the Apple Group. In fact, the survey had to be kept secret from the public at this stage in case parents of the Control Group and that the effects of apples on reducing the incidence of tooth decay was encouraging.

What exactly does the apple do?

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"IT'S FIT FOR A QUEEN!" cries John Scheerer (right), chef of Hilton Hotels International, as he takes a bite out of a Quebec apple, and his mate, Jimmy Falce, assistant executive chef, echoes the same sentiments. Centre, Quebec Apple Queen Cathy Pomier, Quebec apples are currently distributed to Queen Elizabeth guests and are being widely featured on the hotel's menus. Supra-chef Scheerer travels throughout the world to supervise cooking for the massive Hilton chain.



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# The Night Desk

with Paul McKenna Davis

The "snapper."

This is a story device perhaps better known as the "punch" or surprise ending, and it comes to mind whenever we think of William Sydney Porter, the roguish author who became famous as O'Henry.

For example: It's Christmas Eve; young married couple on their uppers. Neither has the money to buy the other a gift, so the girl sells her luxurious tresses to a wigmaker to buy her beloved the watch chain he had always wanted. Hubby meanwhile pawns his watch to buy her a set of combs for her beautiful hair.

The twist provided the snapper for what is probably O'Henry's most memorable tale: The Gift of The Magi.

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It is difficult to distinguish between the apocryphal and the real-life story. Many tales start with a thread of fact and grow with the years, until the narrator, many years removed from his story-telling ancestor, winds up telling the story on himself and believing it, embellishments and all.

True or false? Here are two supposedly real-life yarns and one you can take my word for, all three with the patented O'Henry twist.

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A veteran insurance underwriter told me of the industry's first fumbling days in casualty risks before the actuaries taped everything down to a winning bet.

Seems one of the major companies insured a concert violinist's hands. They guaranteed the musician \$25,000 a year for life in the event of loss of either member. The fiddler, a do-it-yourself enthusiast, promptly chopped off his right hand in his workshop. He was 24 at the time, and now all he had to do was sit back and let the insurance company support him in luxury for the next 50 or more years.

The company tried everything to make Fiddling Phil accept a lump-sum settlement -- anything up to six figures. But the one-handed musician just stood pat and meanwhile added insult to injury by taking a job as floorwalker in a department store.

The snapper? After six months, the bored violinist went down to his cellar and shot himself, and the company got off the hook.

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This one I can guarantee.

In my days on a metropolitan newspaper, one of our reporters was assigned to cover the wake of a prominent Irish politician. There were bottles aplenty in view at the home of the deceased.

Here was my dirt, and the reporter, with an eye to future dry spells, deftly snaffled a couple of bottles of Duggan's Dew and stashed them away in the coffin until such time when he might be able to retrieve his loot and make a decent exit. But the trouble was that Dennis never did get another moment alone with the departed; mourners kept dropping in right and left, and the reporter was stymied.

Finally, the undertakers came in and put the lid on the casket, and 80 ounces of the best wound up underground with the lamented political boss.

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Then there's the story about the old con, released after serving a stretch for killing his wife. The neighbors became suspicious when the Mrs. Ando's been seen around for weeks, and notified the gendarmes who dug up the back yard and found a skeleton. Our hero was sent up the river for 20 years to life.

After serving his time, less deductions for good behavior, Charlie the Con was walking along the street one day when suddenly he bumped into his supposedly-dead frau. He was so provoked, he choked her to death on the spot.

Can Charlie be sent back to the pen or to the scaffold? He has already paid the state's price for killing his wife, and, under the law of double jeopardy cannot be convicted twice for the same offense.

But don't get any ideas, Dad. Remember, it's Christmas.

# Lakeshore Drama League

A meeting held recently in Lachine to set up a Lakeshore Drama League was attended by the following: Mrs. Robert B. Alexander, Miss Ivy Ashworth, Mr. Ruy Cunningham, Mr. Robert G. Conley, Mrs. J.B. Hutchinson, Mr. Eugene Jousse, Mrs. C.J. Maguire, Dr. & Mrs. C. Marchant, Miss Margaret Morison, Mr. J. Creighton Nash, Mr. Fred A. Ryan, Mr. Andre St. Germain, Mr. Denard Shipton, Mr. Donald B. Smith, Mr. Reginald Taylor, Mr. Walter S. Whitaker, Dr. J. Bennie Whitehead, and Mr. R. Maurice Whitty.

Mrs. Ian F. Hellyer, Mrs. Robert R. Alexander, Mrs. R.G. Leckie, and Mrs. Joseph L. PeStein were in charge of refreshments.

Mr. Bernard Shipton, of Strathmore was elected proviso Chairman of a small committee set up to study the necessary Constitution of the League, and to compile and circulate to all Lakeshore drama societies a printed copy of the Objects of a Drama League. This study will be based on the procedure used by British Drama League, which was founded in 1927, and which has now about

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## PINE BEACH ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS DRAW

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# DORVAL Sports on Parade

BY GABI FILIATRALLT

With another year going into the records, it might be in order to take a look at what went on in sport during 1959. The beginning of the year saw hockey organized on a city-wide basis. More than 30 teams played under the banner of the Dorval Recreation Association, and 13 more teams were also registered with the Lakeshore Board and the Quebec Minor Hockey Association. Five districts were formed: Windsor Gardens, Strathmore, Pine Beach, Courland Park and Dorval East. Each district is responsible for the organization of its teams. From Mosquitoes to Midgets, nearly 400 boys played last winter on the city's rinks, and plans for the new season call for more than 500 to participate.

Tennis had a good year in Dorval, and softball proved popular, but the number of players - as in tennis - was restricted by the lack of playing facilities. Curling, for youngsters as well as adults, had a fair amount of activity.

Little League Baseball made good strides, and a minor loop was started. There are solid plans for expansion in 1960 and it should be a bang-up year for the tiny ballhawks. Spectators at Little League games last season doubled in number from the year previous, and a new system of training umpires was inaugurated.

A star-picked team of local fastballers played a number of interesting exhibitions, and our Little League all-stars reached the provincial semi-finals for the first time.

Pony Leaguers, with only one team from Dorval operating for many years, grew further with Strathmore and Pine Beach joining the Lachine Interchurch loop, and Dorval East players sported brand new uniforms for the first time. The juvenile baseballers, playing in the Lachine Juvenile League for the last three years, became a Junior B. team. The team was formed mostly of juvenile-age players, and having to use limited training facilities didn't have much success in the win column, but the spirit was there and with a regulation field promised for next year the picture is brighter for the young baseballers.

Football had one of its greatest seasons. The Dorval Dukes gave the fans plenty to cheer about, and although not the powerhouse they were in 1958, were a real going concern. The Dukes' Majorettes also come in for a lot of applause for their sideline entertainment.

The Small Fry footballers got going too, and judging by fan enthusiasm, the spirit promises to develop at a pace comparable to Little League baseball.

However, by far the most popular Dorval sport in the year just nearly concluded was swimming. The D.R.A. pool at Walters Park did a landoffice business, so much so that two more pools are a sure thing for 1960 - and this does not include the many private pools being built.

One sour note: The new Ballantyne Park, which promised to be a top-sports centre and was supposed to be virtually completed this fall, is far from finished. Football which was scheduled for the park this fall was cancelled and baseball next summer at the locale is a question mark.

Last Tuesday December the 15th saw the birth of the "Dorval East Recreation Association," formed to develop recreation activities for children, and later to take care of adults' needs. Pete Stefanik, who started the ball rolling, said Tuesday meeting was a revelation to him. So many peoples attended after a few telephone calls, and all of them really interested in the project and willing to give time and efforts for the benefit of the Dorval East community.

The Dorval East Association, formed under the same principles as of the Dorval Recreation Association will in no way interfere with the D.R.A. work. The Dorval East people needed some organization to represent them in the city wide setup under the D.R.A. The association covers the territory from Dorval avenue to the eastern boundaries of the city with Lachine, and from the Lake to the boundaries of the Cote de Liesse section of Dorval. The Dorval Recreation Association covers all of the City of Dorval territory and aims to develop recreation activities for all sections of the City: the swimming pools, the overall hockey program, the building of an arena, and many sportsmen will be glad to hear that the Dorval Recreation Association will sponsor one of the few remaining golf course on the Island of Montreal. The section above the tracks of the Elm Ridge Golf Course with a new addition of two holes will be operated by the D.R.A. starting next summer. It will form a nine-hole course and promises to become one of the most popular spots on the Lakeshore.

The past year was a very successful one and as every one can see the coming year promises to be even more successful. Holiday wishes and good cheer for the New Year to all sports, May 1960 be the best in your life.



OUR FINE LITTLE PEEWEE FOOTBALLERS have put away their helmets and cleats for the winter, but the memory of a great season lingers on. The league had an outstanding season and many stars of the future for big league football were uncovered. Above, a panorama of all-star and league award winners, all happy as bears in a blueberry patch, and all of 'em looking forward, no doubt, to another big football year in 1960.

Photo C.A. Barbier.

## Pine Beach Sports

by Gordie Webster

The schedule for Pee-Wee-Bantam and Midget have been arranged and are in the process of being duplicated for papers and teams. The hockey season this year looks like a long one and we are hoping nothing will postpone a game.

Saturday night at the Lachine arena the Pine Beach Grovers Bantam team played an exhibition game with the Strathmore Bantam team and Pine Beach were successful in defeating them 6-1. Congratulations fellows and a lot of credit to the fine coaching of Leo Brossoit.

Everyone played a fine game and some extra fine goal tending by P. MacDonald kept Strathmore at Bay.

Minor hockey is a family game and some of the parents are not taking the interest in their own children's activities and we feel that we would like to see more parents come out to support their boys.

### GROVERS PINE BEACH BANTAM TEAM

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3. G. Gunter, Defense;
4. W. Borsuck, Defence;
5. P. Webster, Defense;
6. N. Donnelly, Defense;
7. D. Heron, L. Wing;
8. R. Gough, R. Wing;
9. G. Price, Center;
10. R. MacLure, Center;
11. D. Young, L. Wing;
12. R. Edmonds, R. Wing;
13. J. Carlyle, Sub. 14. L. Brochurst, Sub; 15. to be chosen later.

## Lakeshore Hockey Starts Sunday

Lakeshore hockey gets off with a flying start Sunday with the Bantams scheduling three contests; Pine Beach Grovers play at St. Louis at 2 p.m.; Pine Beach tangles with Windsor Gardens at the same hour, and Dorval East faces off with Strathmore at three. The day after New Year's, Saturday, January 2, Strathmore 1 visits Dorval East for

an afternoon tilt slated for three o'clock, and at eight p.m. Pine Beach plays the Pine Beach Grovers at Lachine.

The Pee Wee hockeyists start off next Wednesday, December 30, with Strathmore at Pine Beach. Game time is 7 p.m., and on Saturday January 2, four games are

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 Doug Kilpatrick - 412 High Triple (No handicap); John Fox - 151 High Single (With handicap); Stuart Hall - 262 Consolation.

BOYS' CLASS "B"  
 Allan Everson - 337 High Triple (No handicap); Brian Kennedy - 134 High Single; Gerald Harris - 217 Consolation.

**STRATHMORE LADIES**  
**BOWLING LEAGUE**  
**TURKEY ROLL WINNERS**

R. Gelinas - 347; J. Whitts - 337; H. Shirley - 314; M. Foster - 271; M. Mallet - 284; M. Clifford - 251; I. MacDonald - 442; D. Stevens - 358.  
 High Single: I. MacDonald - 139; D. Gordon - 138.  
 High Triple: D. Juneau - 363; I. MacDonald - 358.

**Dorval East R.A. Names Officers**

The newly-formed Dorval East Recreation Association has elected its officers for the year 1960.

The board of directors will include: Pete Stefanik, Ed Collan, Gord Kerr, Ed McCullough, Bett McCullough, Ben Ste, Mario, Ross Hill, John Saunders, and Bill Elder. Pete Stefanik was named president; Ed McCullough, vice president; Gene Benoit, secretary-treasurer; Ross Pool, publicity; and recreational director: Fern

McGoughan; director of hockey activities for Dorval East, Alec Lesperance.

As the first move to get things under way, a membership campaign is being conducted, and it is hoped for the all-over campaign of one and all to make this drive a success.

Dear to door canvassing for memberships and, a survey of all regulation needs is the first major task to be undertaken. Already at the first meeting, equipment for a second Pee-wee hockey team was approved. Special masks for all goalies, from Pee-wee to Midgets, were brought up for discussion, and it was suggested that all players should be provided with headguards by their parents. It is logical that, although protected by insurance, the youngsters should have such physical protection for their own physical safety and welfare.

The next meeting of the association will be called early in January, and details will be announced in THE DORVAL REPORTER.

**LAKESHORE HOCKEY**

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 booked, all starting at 2 p.m. Strathmore plays Windsor Gardens; Courtland Park plays host to Pine Beach; Cooke Toledo visits Dorval East Rockets, and the Dorval East Aces face off against Pine Beach Esso.

The Mosquito House League schedule gets under way Saturday, January 2, with Windsor Gardens at Dorval East, and Ballantyne Park at Nihon Park, and on Sunday, the third day of the New Year the Midgets have Dorval East at Pine Beach Flyers, and Strathmore at Windsor Gardens. Both games are set for 3 p.m.

In all, it looks like a busy season. More than 130 games are scheduled in the four participating leagues.



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**THE FIRST MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE** to be held in Quebec by Office Overload Company Limited took place recently when a reception was given at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal. Managers from all over Canada and the United States attended the gathering, which was held prior to a two-day meeting at the Chantecler Hotel in Ste. Adele. The average age of Office Overload's management group is 27, and we see evidence of that in the young faces shown above. From left to right: W.J. Wilson, general sales manager for Canada and the U.S.; W.R. Pollock, chairman of the board; D.F. Martin, manager, Montreal branch; Mrs. J. Shore, secretary-treasurer, and Mr. J.R. Shore, president.

## Faith and Courage Keynote Fight To Rehabilitate Retarded Child

Little Starlene laughed and gurgled as her father tossed her in the air. Her dimples deepened and her blue eyes sparkled.

"One doctor told us she's the most alert looking retarded child ever saw," said Patenaude. "Some people are ashamed when they have a retarded child. We're not ashamed, we love her. She's good as gold," he added.

For the past four years her parents have fought a courageous battle to keep Starlene alive and give her a home and loving care. Starlene was six months old when the child was stricken with sleeping sickness.

Since then Starlene now 4½ has been like an infant in both mental and physical reactions, a grim result of the inflammation of the brain that accompanied her illness. Doctors and social workers have suggested putting the child in an institution for retarded children.

Her mother's eyes become moist when she talks about this. "What's a home of our own for? They can't do any more for her than I can. I understand the little things she means when she cries and makes other sounds," said the mother. These parents have been winning the fight to help Starlene but the struggle has taken all their money. It has brought them mental and physical illness and has almost deprived them of their hope. Starlene has been in and out of hospitals for the past four years. One hospital bill ran up to \$2,900.

The child was in the hospital for two weeks her mother fell downstairs and hurt her spine. Later the mother has a nervous breakdown. Her father had to give up shop work because he, too, almost had a nervous breakdown because of his family difficulties and financial worries. He got work as a storm window salesman. But the finance

company took back the car and he can't get to see prospects. The telephone was taken out. The family had to rent a furnished house because they had nothing of their own left.

The couple has another child, a lad of nine. "For the past months we have had only \$14.00 a week for food and other things after paying the rent. It's embarrassing to have to ask people for help, but we don't know what to do. We are at the end of our rope," said the father. Little Starlene cooed and dimpled as her mother prepared to feed and dress her. "How could anyone want to put a child in an institution?" she asked.

No one actually wants to put a child in an institution, but sometimes it is the best solution to a heartbreaking problem. It is only after countless futile and frustrating trips to clinics, hospitals and doctors, and after days of indecision and doubt that any parent reaches the decision to place his child in an institution.

But for some parents this is the decision that must be made, often out of fairness to the normal children in the family.

Fortunately there are many retarded children who can now remain at home with their families and receive the benefits of special education and special vocational training so they can become self-respecting citizens, well-adjusted and independent.

But there are some retarded children who can best be cared for in an institution. To place a child in an institution does not mean abandoning that child. For example, more and more youngsters who are placed in institutions visit their homes for summer and vacation or holiday periods. Their parents and friends are welcome to visit them.

To educate the general public

to the many problems of retarded children and their parents is one of the most difficult tasks of the association.

The story of Starlene's parents' dilemma could unintentionally create an erroneous impression in readers' minds. Retarded children can be helped in many ways but not in the same way. Some can be helped through special education, some through sheltered workshops and training centres. Some can be helped only by institutional care.

## LAKESHORE

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3,500 groups affiliated with it, in addition to 1,700 individual members.

In the Annual Festival of plays arranged by the British Drama League, more than 1,000 companies from all over the British Isles take part. Even Canada was represented in the 1939 Festival, with a play by Maud Gage Bolton, of Pointe Claire. Two groups (Birmingham and Bournemouth) entered her play "Her Affairs in Order."

"... Membership of the League is open to all persons who are concerned with the practice or enjoyment of the Art of the Theatre. Any organized society or group may also become affiliated to the Drama League, and as an affiliated body shall acquire and exercise all the privileges of membership..."



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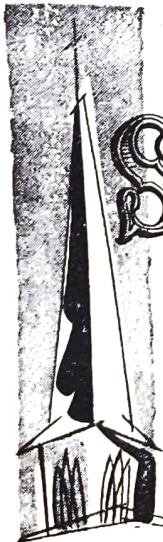
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## Pioneer Dwellings Have Pine Motif

Over 100 fine examples of pioneer pine homes have been uncovered in Eastern Canada as a result of a concentrated search being conducted by the White Pine Bureau of the Canadian Lumbermen's Association.

Letters describing outstanding pine buildings have poured into the Bureau's offices from Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes.

"The purpose of our search is to make a photographic exhibit of these fine homes to help increase the awareness of Canadians everywhere of our very real links with the past," said Earl Jacques of the White Pine Bureau, who has visited many of these pioneer homes. "At the same time, we hope to illustrate the important role White Pine has played in our Canadian way of life from earliest days."

"Many an interesting story has been uncovered in my visits," Mr. Jacques said. "In the Niagara Peninsula, for instance, the stories of these houses are interwoven with the War of 1812, the Butler Rangers, William Lyon MacKenzie and the Fenian Raids.

"One house, near Georgetown, Ontario, was MacKenzie's headquarters in the Scotch Block and it was from here that he was

smuggled, in the dead of a winter's night, across the border into the United States, to save him from possible assassination by the Irish."

The White Pine Bureau intends to select the 10 most outstanding pine structures, photograph them and incorporate them into a travelling exhibit to create more interest in White Pine.

## FIDO NEEDS MANICURE

Be sure to check your dog's nails periodically, suggests The Canadian Kennel Club. Since most dogs are house pets, they do not have an opportunity to wear down their nails as did their ancestors in their wilder life. Overlong nails are uncomfortable and make a dog flat-footed. They can even cripple him if allowed to grow too long. If your dog's nails are obviously too lengthy, take him to a veterinarian or doggy beauty parlour. Then carry on yourself with a file or clippers every few weeks - being careful not to damage the quick.

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KIDDIES FROM TWO TO NINETY-TWO have been flocking to Canadian National Railway's Central Station all through the pre-Christmas season to see the great Yule displays. All the color and glamor will still be there all next week, too, and here we have one of the nicest concourse exhibits of all, a message telling the visitor that a tiny Montrealer, seven-year-old Janet Coppold, did the drawings from which the nursery rhyme scenes were modelled. Little Miss Coppold is, to say the least, quite a gall!

## What Is The Red Feather?

The following are some questions and answers that have been compiled so that you will be better informed of the Red Feather Services in your local community.

- Q: Are Red Feather Services available to Lakeshore residents?
- A: Yes; of the 31 Agencies supported by Red Feather funds 18 give some service to Lakeshore residents.
- Q: What are some of these services?
- A: Family Counselling and Child Care, Public Recreation Planning, the Adoption Services of the Children's Service Centre, Mental Hygiene Institute, Marriage Counselling Centre, Occupational Therapy and Rehabilitation Centre, the Y.W.C.A., Diet Dispensary, Daily Vacation School.
- Q: Is there a special Lakeshore service?
- A: Yes, the Lakeshore Welfare Service was set up almost three years ago to cover the seven Municipalities of Dorval, Pointe Claire, Beaconsfield, Baie d'Urfe, Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue and Senneville.
- Q: What does this Agency have to offer?
- A: Professional Family Counselling and Child Care; a visiting Homemaker Service;

planning for the elderly; year round Public Recreation planning, - including the operation of summer parks and playgrounds; Financial assistance, sometimes on behalf of Municipalities more of which has a separate Public Welfare Department; and a special Vocation Project for slow-learning teen-agers. In addition, staff offers consultation and help to local organizations in establishing new services to meet a variety of human needs.

- Q: Is the money raised on the Lakeshore spent here?
- A: Yes. Last year, Red Feather contributed over \$18,000.00 to the Lakeshore Welfare Services, approximately the

amount raised in the Lakeshore Campaign. Balance of the Agency's total budget of over \$40,000.00 came from governmental grants, fees, and similar contributions.

- Q: Who is eligible to go to the Lakeshore Welfare Services?
- A: Any person or organization in the area. A sliding scale of fees makes it possible to offer fee or free service related to the applicant's financial position.

## APPLES BIG AID

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Its sharp tang and the process of chewing its fibrous fragments stimulates a flow of saliva, which itself helps to clean the teeth. Secondly, the mechanical cleansing action of the pieces of apple sweeping over teeth and gum removes food debris and stimulates the gum tissues.

Prevention is better than cure and much less expensive. By the simple rearrangement of the order in which you eat your food you can reduce the incidence of tooth decay. And when the toothbrush is not there and you do not have the chance to use it, that's another reason why you should remember to clean your teeth with an apple.

## A Merry Yule

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*Phineas Martel*

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a very Merry  
Christmas to all!

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THREE HUNDRED YOUTHFUL VOICES were raised in song last Friday night at Valois Park School when the school kids put on one of the finest choral concerts in Lakeshore history. Above we see a panoramic view of the auditorium audience and massed choirs. Naturally, the bulk of the choral repertoire was in the Yule tradition.

Photo G. Reg. Vidler

## Radiation From TV and Watches Discussed by Prominent Educator

Casual radiation from TV sets, radium dial watches and other miscellaneous sources should be of as much concern to us as that released by the detonation of nuclear weapons, was the theme of a talk given by Donald L. Peets, B.Sc., Assistant Dean of Sir George William College, to the members of the Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Clubs on Monday night.

Prefacing his talk on "Population and Radiation from the Genetic point" with a quick look at the two great problems facing mankind - that of radiation damage from the fall-out of the H-bomb and the effect of radiation on the genes of the reproductive cells of humans. This radiation produces mutations in the reproduced products which are directly proportionate to the total dosage of radiation. Since any random mutation from a prescribed pattern is vastly more probable to be undesirable than beneficial, it can be concluded that there is no such thing as a safe dosage or tolerance to radioactive rays.

While medical practitioners feel that the clinical damage of X-rays is negligible in comparison to their diagnostic and therapeutic value, the scientists are concerned about the genetic damage they inflict. Both, he feels, are right in their opinions.

We are, at all times, Mr. Peets stated, subject to cosmic radiation from outer space and to background radiation from the earth's surface. This radiation, plus the miscellaneous radiation encountered in such things as TV and radium dial watches amounts to many hundred percent more than the minute dosage of radiation from experimental nuclear detonations such as occurred in 1955, 56 and 57.

"The population explosion", as Mr. Peets called it, will account for approximately 6 billion of world population by the turn of the century, and technocratic development cannot keep pace with food supplies for such a vast number of people. He also pointed out that those who "have" - both materially and mentally - in our present soc-

iety, do not reproduce as prolifically as those who "have not". This will eventually lead, as always, to the survival of the fittest, unless some desirable socio-economic level is reached.

A lively question and answer period followed Mr. Peets talk, and refreshments, including Civitan fruitcake, were served.

### FRUIT & FLOWER ISLAND

The 'fruit and flowers' island of Guernsey in the English Channel is to have a sea water distillation plant capable of producing half-a-million gallons of fresh water per day.

The equipment - which will ensure a constant fresh water supply to areas of the island where prolonged drought would damage the tomato industry - is manufactured by G. & J. Weir Limited of Glasgow (Peacock Brothers Ltd., 660 St. Catherine's Street W., Montreal). The Weir Multiflash Evaporator will produce a thousand gallons for about seven shillings and, since evaporation need only take place for three months of the year, the annual average cost to the island will be about 14,000.

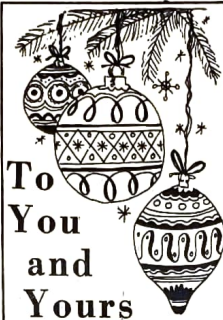
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## DORVAL PLAYS HOST TO LAKESHORE CITIES

Mayor John Pratt has announced that January 8th will be the date and Dorval City Hall the scene of a get-together for Dorval and six bordering Lakeshore municipalities. The event will provide a long-sought opportunity for the seven communities to discuss the many problems they have in common, particularly the pollution scourage.

According to the mayor, such a meeting has been long overdue. "Particularly on the subject of pollution," said Mayor Pratt, "are we

faced with a common problem. All communities represented at our January 8 meeting have met with the same problem as we have in this regard, for pollution, as we all know, is universally bothersome as far as the entire Lakeshore is concerned. There are many other subjects we hope to take up as well, and I'm sure a lot of good will come out of the projected gathering."

Communities invited to attend are: Pointe Claire, Beaurepaire, Baie d'Urfe, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Senneville and Ste. Anne de Bout de l'Isle.



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By Mary Ellen Scott

## "CHRISTMAS IS FOR CHILDREN"

So we've maintained ever since that Christmas Eve ten years ago when we placed a woolly lamb in our two-month-old daughter's bootie, and then tried to focus her attention on it Christmas morning. The Gospel writers recognized it too, when they wore their unforgettable legend around the birth of our Lord, and the Christian Church put its seal of approval on it in making a gentle young Mother and a helpless, religion festival. It is fitting, therefore, that the children should be allowed to take over in their expression of the sacred side of Christmas, and when they do so Christmas shines through them with a radiance symbolized by the light of the first Christmas Star.

## DORVAL UNITED CHURCH JUNIOR CHOIR

The only Junior Choir in Dorval which is in continuous weekly rehearsal from September to May, has a special opportunity to participate in the sacred music of the Christmas season. Under the competent direction of Isabel Makin, these 40 children between the ages of 10 and 14 provided the choir music in two special Christmas church services. At the Christmas Sunday service an opportunity for individual talent was provided when Miss Donna May Cooper sang the solo part in the French carol, "Whence is that Godly Fragrance," in a clear, young soprano voice. Mr. Jules LaPointe, whose two daughters, Barbara and Cathie sing in the soprano section of the choir, played the violin obbligato. Specially arranged for the Junior Choir by Mrs. Makin was the Bird Carol, a lilting melody in two-part harmony. Kay Stewart, the Choir's regular accompanist and a fine musician, was at the organ. The Junior Choir sang at the C.E.I.T. Vesper service on December 12 and "sang for its supper" when it entertained the United Church Women's Association at its Christmas meeting, and was in turn served French pastries and ginger ale.

Some of you will remember that the Dorval Church Junior Choir "sang like angels" at the United Church Sunday School Choir Festival last spring and won the Karn Shield.

## LACHINE JUNIOR PLAYERS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mr. Robert Gourley presented a demonstration class for the parents of the Lachine Junior Players last Thursday afternoon in St. Paul's Anglican Church, Lachine.

As the class proceeded through relaxing exercises, breath control exercises and spontaneous skits, Mr. Gourley gave the parents a lucid explanation of the purpose of each exercise in his overall plan to help the pupils develop the ability to express themselves on or off the stage.

The director produced a series of amusing hats, one of which was an exquisite French hood, calculated to inspire images of romantic heroines and fairytale princesses. The child to whom a hat was "assigned" played a little scene, unorchestrated and spontaneous, representing what the hat meant to him.

The main feature of the program was a radio script - "TWEETER AND SKETTER DISCOVER CHRISTMAS," written especially for the occasion by Mr. Gourley. Tweeter and Sketter are a little snow bird and a red squirrel who set out to find the rightful owner of a tiny bell, and incidentally find the true meaning of Christmas. There were no costumes as such, for this, after all, was a radio play, in a demonstration class, not a full scale stage presentation. But the mood of the play was set and the characters distinguished for each other and the audience by delightful pairs of very distinctive ears, made by the Director and held on with plastic hair bands. Spidella, the kindly old spider, wore a pink plastic cape with a spider's web painted on it, and Squeaks, the church mouse wore spectacles.

These animal characterizations provided a good opportunity to show what the children could do with speech. Tweeter, the snow bird, played by Susan Bloss spoke rapidly and trippingly; Mr. Timothy the snug pussycat, read by Jane McGillivray, had perfected some hi-fidelity cat sounds. In short, clear, natural English speech used as a tool to express an emotion or to delineate a character seems to be stressed by Mr. Gourley.

Parents who shy away from Drama classes because they have them confused with elocution lessons where children develop stilted, affected habits of speech, need not hesitate to send their children to the Lachine Junior Players.

There is a group to watch for under the imaginative direction of Mr. Robert Gourley, it is going places. If your son or daughter is keenly interested, why not send him next term?

## PARTICIPATION IS THE KEYNOTE

What makes these two groups such happy expressions of the Christmas spirit is the extent to which the individual child is enabled to participate. How long is it since you have read "A Visit from St. Nicholas" to your children? Or laid a and sang round the piano? Or read the Christmas story from the Bible (St. Luke 2:1-7) Or had your little ones act out the Nativity story themselves? We have become a generation of spectators. Let's have some form of participation at home this Christmas.

REBECCA BRISTOL



THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD CHURCH, Lachine was the scene recently of the marriage of Jean Muriel Acamba, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Acamba of 675 48th Ave., Lachine, to Gerald Robert Groulx, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rene Groulx. The happy couple are pictured above.

## DORVAL CRIBBAGE CLUB WINS ST. STEPHENS CUP

A Challenge match for the St. Stephens Cribbage Trophy by the Dorval Club, was held at St. Stephens Hall, Lachine, December 10th. After a close game, Dorval came out winners by over 200 points. Mr. J. McCloud, President of St. Stephens, made a commendable speech and handed the Trophy over to Dorval's junior member, Mr. P. Low, who thanked the Lachine Club for an enjoyable game, inviting them to try and take back the Trophy at a later date. Mr. G. Harker, in a speech, outlined the rules for the Challenging of the O'Keefe Trophy which the Dorval Club now holds. It is expected that St. Stephens will challenge Dorval for the O'Keefe Trophy in the very near future. The Ladies of St. Stephens then prepared refreshments, which concluded a most enjoyable evening.

The seventh play night was held on December 11th. Winners for the evening were B. Swinburne and D. Russell, \$29; W. Woodley and R. Blake, \$16; J. Winterhall and D. Low, \$10.

Standings in the doubles are as follows: First, L. Leblanc; second, A. Brinkworth; third, D. Low. In the singles, the leaders are: First, J. Chevalier; Second, W. Woodley, and third, J. Banks.

The winner of the Christmas

turkey was D. Russell, and winners of the pool were J. Winterhall and D. Low.

Next play night will be held at the home of L. Leblanc, 69 Cloverdale, December 28 at 8 p.m. There will be a special New Year's prize. Any cribbage club wishing to challenge Dorval for the O'Keefe Trophy should call Melrose 1-8648 after 6 p.m.

## CUB & SCOUT NEWS

Seance News,  
December 7th.  
1. 2nd year service: Douglas Kalls.

2. Invented: Rufus Trupin.  
3. Winner of monthly competition - Grey - six Rom Graham - sixer.

December 14th.  
1. New chum - Johnny Dow.  
Red six go swimming on December 19.  
Cub Party December 19 - 8 - 9 P.M.

Next meeting January 11th.  
Sona Packs  
Michael Bourke earned his 1st Star and Lance Dalton earned his 2nd Star, and also received his 2nd Year Star.

2nd Year Stars were given to Stephen Young and John Rousseau. Team Players Badge was given to Stephen Young.

In Red Six, John Parks was made Sixer, and Peter Ellis was made Second.

The Leaders and Cubs were very pleased at the good attendance at their parents night last Thursday



## "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing!"

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A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL

*Dorval West*

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The Strathmore Ladies' Bowling League held their Annual Christmas Turkey Roll last week when the following ladies won turkeys: Mrs. R. Gellinas, Mrs. J. Whitts, Mrs. H. Shirley, Mrs. M. Foster, Mrs. M. Mallet, Mrs. M. Clifford, Mrs. I. Macdonald and Mrs. D. Stevens. Mrs. H. Gledhill, Sources, Road entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club last week.

Mr. W. F. Young of Winnipeg, Man., who has been the guest of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Young, Clement Avenue, for the past four weeks, left last Friday to spend the holidays with relatives in Toronto.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. Cote, Stream Avenue, on the recent birth of their son in the Catherine Booth Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Antliff, Lakeshore Drive, returned home last week-end after spending a week's vacation in Washington, D. C.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. Roger Hurthoise, Sources Road, and to Miss Monica Farrar, Vinet Avenue, who both celebrated their birthdays last Monday.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Lavoie, Robin Road, on the birth of their son at the Catherine Booth Hospital on December 15th.

The Pine Beach North Group of the W. A. of the Strathmore United Church held their Christmas Party last week at the home of Mrs. F. L. Armitage, Meadowvale Avenue. Following a short business meeting, games were played and a barbecue chicken supper was served.

Birthday greetings to James McPhee, Lagace Avenue, who celebrated his twenty-first birthday last Tuesday.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. M. Toyota, Starling Avenue, on the recent birth of their son at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

Michael Ward, St. Louis Avenue entertained last week at a Christmas Party for ten of his friends.

A farewell party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur C. Shaver, Castlefield Ave., in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tracy who are moving to Toronto in the near future.

Birthday greetings to Mr. Ken



OVER FOUR HUNDRED KIDDIES HAD A GREAT TIME the other day when Santa Claus dropped in at Jenkins Bros. Ltd., at 170 St. Joseph Blvd., Lachine. All children of employees were invited, and the company cafeteria was jammed to capacity with 800 parents and tots in attendance. Here we have two of the happy kiddies with a friend who needs no identification.

Lee, Clement Avenue, who is celebrating his birthday today.

The Teenage Bowling League sponsored by the Strathmore Community Association enjoyed a Christmas Roll last Saturday at Dorval Lanes, when prizes were won by Lynne Gower, Christine Loveys, Gail Harris, Carol Overall, Linda Innis, Joan Lambert, Adrienne Pearce, Doug Kilpatrick, John Fox, Stuart Hall, Allan Everson, Brian Kennedy and Gerald Harris. A number of prizes were also drawn for and cokes were served. Mrs. P. Juneau was assisted by Mrs. Argue, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Price.

Birthday greetings to Mr. A. Ault, Elizabeth Avenue; Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Price.

Birthday greetings to Mr. A. Ault, Elizabeth Avenue; Mrs. E. H. Fearn and her son, Billy, Linnet Crescent; and Mrs. M. Sherman, Strathmore Boulevard, who will all be celebrating their birthdays tomorrow, Christmas Day.

Mr. R. D. Williamson and his daughter, Sandra, Linnet Crescent, are leaving tomorrow by plane to spend a week in London, England.

The Kindergarten Classes of Surrey Gardens School entertained their parents last Friday afternoon and again on Monday afternoon of this week. The Ballet Class entertained their parents last Tuesday afternoon with a very skillful demonstration of their accomplishments during the past few months.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon E. Wrigley, Vinet Avenue, on the birth of their daughter on December 15th in the Catherine Booth Hospital.

Birthday greetings to Gail Ross, Wright Crescent, who will celebrate her seventh birthday on Dec-

ember 26th; and to Terry Lodge; St. Louis Avenue, to Mrs. D. Moreman, St. Leon Avenue, whose birthday is December 27th.

The Executive of the Strathmore Community Association advise that due to limited accommodation, tickets for the New Year's Eve Dance were available to members only, and it is sincerely hoped that the use of these tickets will not be abused.

The writer wishes to take this opportunity to thank all those who have made this column possible by contributing news items, and to wish all my readers the compliments of the season.

*Dorval East*

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Mrs. A. H. Berry, Allard Avenue who is a Cub Leader herself, kindly loaned the use of her home on Saturday December 12 for a party of Cub and Scout Leaders.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. J. Piers, Roy Avenue, whose Mother, Mrs. A. S. Piers of Pointe Claire passed away recently in Hospital.

The P. T. A. of St. Veronica's School sponsored a Ballet demonstration on December 16 for mothers of the children in the classes, under the direction of Miss Reisha Obshansky of the Eleanor Moore Ashton Ballet School. There are over 50 children enrolled.

Mrs. O. Marchand, Lilac Ave., N. has returned from the Catherine booth Hospital with her baby daughter, who will be named Sylvia.

Mrs. W. E. P. Bains, Ferndale Crescent is home again after spend-

ing a few days in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital where she underwent an eye operation. Get well wishes from all the "100" Club members.

Mr. H. Walker, Tulip Avenue, returned to business last Friday, after a 7 week seige with pneumonia.

Mrs. R. N. Gray, George V. Avenue, was high scorer and Mrs. L. Keiller, Monette St., low scorer on Monday evening at the Bridge Group held at the home of Mrs. John Page, St. Louis Avenue. Play will be resumed after the Holidays.

Miss Louise Lemieux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Lemieux, George V. Avenue a graduate of Notre Dame Hospital, successful passed her R. N. examinations last week.

Sympathy is extended to the Guthrie family of Dorval, with the passing of Mrs. R. H. Guthrie of Lakeshore Drive, a well known and long time resident who passed away on December 10.

Sympathy also to Mr. L. A. Cress, Allard Avenue whose Mother

Mrs. J. L. Cress passed away suddenly at her home 36 Strathmore Boulevard on December 11 at the age of 76. The funeral service was held at the Lakeshore Funeral Home on December 14 with the Reverend P. W. Jones of Dorval United Church conducting the Service.

Former neighbors will be happy to know that Mr. and Mrs. Ken Gatehouse of St. Genevieve, former residents of Violet Crescent have a baby brother for Mark. Mr. Gatehouse is the organist at Dorval United Church, Mrs. Gatehouse is the soprano soloist.

The Couples Club of Dorval United Church entertained the Ladies from the Montreal West United Church Home for Elderly Ladies on Thursday December 17. Cars called in the early evening at the Home and a Drive through the "Light up for Christmas" districts followed, then to the Church where they were entertained by the Senior Choir, followed by refreshments and the drive back to the Home.

Blake Morrison, Lakeshore Drive, entertained his friends on December 14th celebrating his 8th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Machum, Lilac Avenue N. have as their guests, Mrs. Machum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Marshall Stout of St. John N. B., they arrived December 12 and will remain over the Christmas Season.

Joan Howard, Dorval Garden Apartments entertained a group of boys and girls on Saturday evening December 12.

The Christening of the baby son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lavery of 86 Lakeshore Drive took place on Sunday December 6 at 2:30 p. m. in St. Mark's Anglican Church. The Reverend R. M. Turpin, officiated. The baby was given the names Michael David. Godparents are Mr. J. Lavery, Mr. Douglas Toms and Mrs. S. V. Ridgway both of Dorval, who stood proxy for Mr. Frank Lavery of Belfast, Ireland and Miss Norma Davidson of Birmingham, England, respectively.

The C. W. L. of St. Veronica's Parish Council held a meeting in the school hall on December 16. There was Carol singing by the School Choir, each member brought groceries to be packed at a later date and distributed to needy families.

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