

# Happy New Year

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### Jaycees Light Up In Colorful Display

On the final tour of the City of Dorval on Wednesday evening, December 23rd, the judging panel chose Mr. P.C. Lamere of 275 Sources Road as first place winner in the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Dorval Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Lamere's display consisted of lighted Santa Clause and his reindeers landing at the front of his house, together with carol singers and two lighted candles near the doorway, the entire front of house artistically outlined in multi-colored lights, to give a general overall delightful festive appearance.

On behalf of the judging committee Mayor John Pratt of Dorval presented Mr. Lamere with a cheque for \$50.00, which Mr. Lamere promptly donated to the church.

Second prize of \$25.00 for the best overall display went to Mr. C. Foster of 1201 Cardinal ave. and third prize of \$10.00 was won by Mr. G. Wilcox of 37 Vinet ave.

In the special category awards the prize for the Best Window Decoration went to Mr. E. Viberg of 76 Claude Avenue; Best Doorway prize was given to Mr. E. Bler of 83 Legacey; the Best Outdoor Tree decoration was won by Mr. L. Beaudoin of 244 Wright Crescent.

The cavalcade of approximately nine cars, including one playing Christmas music and an attractively lighted Christmas tree mounted on another car followed the judging committee in their tour of the city, and attracted considerable attention. In addition, a police escort provided by Chief of Police Noel kept the tour rolling smoothly and added considerably to the success of the evening.

At a dance following the prize awards, the Dorval Jaycees, their wives and friends danced to music provided by Herb Picard and his orchestra. At this reception, co-chairmen of the contest, Mr. Milton Dale and Mr. Roger Hart both remarked on the wonderful response of the people of Dorval who went to so much trouble to decorate their homes with festive lighting.

### TWO CHURCHES JOIN IN DEC. 31 SERVICE

Summerlea United and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Churches, Lachine, will hold a joint Watch Night Service at 11:30 p.m. December 31st in Summerlea Church, Acadia Road and 50th Avenue, Lachine.

Ministers of both churches will conduct the service and the sermon will be preached by Rev. J.A. Crabb, M.A., whose topic will be "A good word to end on."

Mrs. W.A. Fisher, organist of St. Andrew's and Mr. Walter C. Upton of Summerlea, will participate in the service, as will members of both their choirs.

This is the first time that churches in western Lachine have held a combined service and it is hoped that a sufficient number will take advantage this year to justify the continuance of Watch Night Services in the future, alternating between Summerlea and St. Andrew's.

INGENUITY AND THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT predominated in this year's Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting Contest and THE DORVAL REPORTER congratulates all who filed entries, and especially and lucky winners. Here they are:



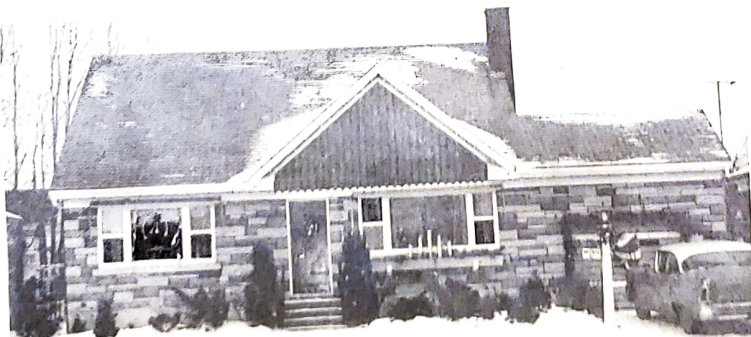
First prize-winner: The home of P.C. Lamere, 275 Sources Road.



Best Overall Display: The home of C. Foster, 1201 Cardinal Ave.



Best Window Display: The home of E. Viberg, 76 Claude



Best Doorway: The home of G. Wilcox, 37 Vinet Ave.

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### Boulevard Beefs To Highlight Meet

The Montreal Metropolitan Corporation has a tiger by the tail. What started out with a singlehanded protest by Dorval against the method of assessment for the new Metropolitan Boulevard has mushroomed to a series of protests on many fronts. At first, Dorval's voice was the only one heard in protest, now several sister Lakeshore municipalities are reported to be interested in a revision of the MM C's pattern for splitting the costs of the new boulevard.

According to a DORVAL REPORTER source, this contretemps will be widely aired at the meeting of seven Lakeshore municipalities on January 8. Among other problems to be discussed, as previously reported in these pages, will be the ever-present pollution scourge. Mayor Pratt will chair the meeting and Dorval City Hall will be the scene of action. Municipalities invited to attend are: Pointe Claire, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Beauraire, Ste. Anne de Bout de l'Isle, Baie d'Urte and Beausfield.

At Dorval Council meeting of December 18 Ald. Scott Braddell proposed a resolution which not only reiterates Dorval's 1955 protest, but again spearheads a movement toward revision of the terms set forth by the MM C. Mr. Braddell pointed out that in the new Metropolitan Boulevard setup municipalities are being assessed for both construction and maintenance. Dorval Council's view is that costs should be shared by all three levels of government — federal, municipal and federal. As the current picture shows, Mr. Braddell pointed out, the municipalities face a property owner levy of a separate mill rate to cover costs of the boulevard.

Further study by Dorval and Pointe Claire is also being implemented toward solving the underpass problems. At an early December meeting it was agreed that an underpass was needed at St. John's Road, and that still another is necessary in the Dorval area at Sources Road. This would involve land within Pointe Claire being homologated. In the meantime, Dorval is standing its ground in the dispute with Lachine over an underpass at 55th Avenue. However, Dorval does agree with Lachine that, in current circumstances, improvements are still needed in the proposed plans.

### BIG SEASON AHEAD FOR HORTICULTURISTS

The Dorval Horticultural Society opens the new year with a long look ahead to next summer and its gardening problems. The next meeting will feature the founder of the Society, Mr. R.W. Arengo-Jones speaking on "Getting the most out of your garden". This will be a wonderful opportunity to gain practical informative advice from the President of the Quebec Horticultural Society, who is also a long-time resident of Dorval. The lecture will be illustrated by Mr. Arengo-Jones' excellent slides and afterwards there will be ample opportunity for members to discuss their own gardening problems with the speaker.

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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we ring out the Old and usher in the New, predictions are all about us. For one, Trade Minister Churchill promises Canada its biggest economic upsurge of all time and predicts a volume of trade and production never before experienced. For another - and in the local sense - Postmaster General Bill Hamilton has promised our Mayor-MP John Pratt to correct the postal injustice created when Dorval was shorn of its postal address identity in favor of neighboring Lachine. Now, if Mr. Hamilton will put his foot down on such silliness as the December 26th "no mail delivery" routine we put up with in 1959, we'll consider his job well done.

There are doubtless many fine blessings in store for the coming year. Maybe one of our brush competitors will even take a course in journalism. But in the serious sense, here's a wish that all our friends and neighbors will be around to join with us in celebrating an exchange of greetings for 1961.

One way to put down the first instalment on such an insurance policy is to do whatever celebrating you do tonight with an eye to common sense. Have a good time, but for goodness' sake drive carefully. The hospitals and city morgues are crowded every New Year's Eve with people who had "one too many" and who didn't have sense enough to call a cab.

Besides, we like our readers. So stay with us for another Happy New Year, please!

## The Night Desk

with Paul McKenna Davis

Five or six months away from gardening time, this corner is moved, for no reason that makes sense, to consider the home gardener. Why does he spend his leisure time trying for a slipped disc? Why, in the winter months, does he pore through seed catalogues and Handy Hints on How to Raise Robust Rhubarb?

The answer: He's hooked! He's started something the supermarkets know how to do better anyway, and he's got an investment of time and money in one of the greatest non-profit operations since old John D. set up the Rockefeller Foundation to beat a multi-million dollar tax rap. But he's like the compulsive horse player who says: "I hope I break even today, I need the money!"

The home gardener is usually trapped into it in the first place by his wife. If he wasn't, he's rare soul indeed, for when Mama decides to find a hobby for hubby that will keep him away from the corner tavern after work, the hand that rocks the cradle carries a fearsome wallop, and no team of mules ever lived that can compare with the Mrs. when it comes to dedication of obstinate purpose.

One of the rarer souls is the newspaperman who takes up gardening as a hobby. Most of us have but one simple hobby: collecting glassware. The fact that this glassware comes in the form of empty beer bottles is beside the point. But I do know of one newspaperman, an associate of long standing, who moved from the city to Dorval to lead a semi-rural life. In season, my friend toils and tills even as you and you, and he admitted to me the other day that the eternal challenge of gardening is what keeps him at it from one summer to another. "But," he says, "if you take it up, don't expect to wind up a winner." He provides a few salients to prove his point.

The toughest thing to grow, for example, is grass. But it will grow beautifully where you don't want it.

Anybody can grow lettuce, but before you can eat it, make sure you number among your friends enough rabbits who'll come to dinner every night. Most home garden lettuce is as tough as a bank manager's heart anyway, and the same goes for tomatoes. . . anyone can grow these too, but it's practically late fall before you pick 'em, and by that time the squirrels and blackbirds have been at them, and you could buy a crate of tomatoes for what you paid for the plants in the first place.

The same goes for radishes; they grow so fast you spend half your waking hours trying to palm them off on the neighbors, who, in turn, try to sell you the idea of taking some off their hands.

In the floral department, the home gardener gets a lot of visual joy, but even less profit. It's touching on the obvious to say that flowers are on the fragile side, and the successful flower grower spends more time in the backyard than he does at the office, and what does he do with the flowers when they've bloomed? He spends most of his time visiting sick friends.

The moral: Hire a gardener, or persuade the boss she's a far better gardener than you are. Flattery sometimes works.

The gardener, it would seem, and to all commonsense rules of profit and loss, falls into the category of the Irishman who bought and sold a pig.

A friend asked Paddy how much the pig cost him, "A pound," said Paddy.

"And how long did you have him?" the friend asked, "About a year," answered Paddy.

"How much did you sell him for?" the friend asked, "A pound," said Paddy.

"Then you didn't make any money, did you?" the friend concluded,

"No," said Paddy. "But I had the use of the pig!"



THE MEMBERS OF OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, LACHINE, received a wonderful Christmas present the Sunday before Christmas when the first unit in their Church building program, located at 5060 St. George Simpson St., Lachine, was officially opened for services. The pastor of the congregation is the Rev. A.A. Schweitzer, B.A., D.D., formerly pastor of the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Vancouver, B.C. Pastor Schweitzer came to Lachine in August of this year, and he is seen above (centre) flanked by Rev. William C. Nolting, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Westmount, and Rev. A.F. Conrad of Ottawa, President of the Lutheran Eastern Conference.

Photo by Jack Markow



John Pratt

## Reports From Ottawa

"Federal assistance to the provinces will be provided by technical and financial means.

Along technical lines, assistance will be given in the following ways:

- (1) Developing general Welfare Emergency Policy.
- (2) Providing guidance for the organization of the five Welfare Services in the provinces.
- (3) Assisting in the preparation of plans for the operation of these Services, ensuring co-ordination across Canada.
- (4) Assisting in welfare training by providing courses at Federal level for key specialists and assisting provinces in organizing and conducting training programs courses.
- (5) Assisting in the preparation and conduct of welfare exercises.
- (6) Providing welfare training, and welfare public education materials in the form of pamphlets, manuals, training aids, and course precises.
- (7) Assisting in co-ordinating efforts of other Government Departments and agencies insofar as their emergency plans affect Welfare, e.g. Post Office, Health.
- (8) Assisting in co-ordinating welfare plans between Canada and the United States.

Along financial lines there will be:

- (1) Direct assistance to provinces by way of participation in approved Welfare projects to the extent of 75%. This includes assistance in all welfare technical fields.
  - (2) Indirect assistance by underwriting total cost of the following projects:
    - (a) Welfare courses at the Canadian Civil Defence College at Amprlor.
    - (b) Educational material produced by the Federal Department of Welfare including freight costs.
    - (c) Training materials and cost of Federal Welfare participation in provincial courses.
    - (d) Research - including surveys, studies, testing, etc.
- Although there are responsibilities at all levels of Government, municipal authorities are particularly involved. Only at the local level can people be clothed, receive food and other necessities, without which they will perish.

Only the provinces can co-ordinate these efforts, assisted technically and financially by the Federal Government."

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# IN FOCUS

By K. M.

A folder with 52 issues of the Dorval Reporter kept me occupied for several hours as I searched out Dorval highlights for 1959. It took me and photographs. It was a good year for Dorval, and busy. Here it is in retrospect as seen through The Dorval Reporter.

**January:** Alderman Bourke was appointed Pro-Mayor for January, February, March. Dorval proposed a Civil Defense Committee. Mr. J.L. Dauphine Renault running on a coffee cup of gasoline, thereby winning himself a Renault Dauphin. The apartment project planned to cover one third of the area of the Royal Montreal Golf Club property was under consideration by the Dorval City Council. The annual Winter Carnival was held at St. Louis Marie School.

**February:** Carol Travers, selected as one of the Girl Guides to represent Canada at an International Camp in Australia, set off for Mel-bourne by T.C.A. Dorval Recreation Association donated two trophies to the D.R.A. Hockey Committee. Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club Members attended Citizenship Court and two Dorval Ladies, Mrs. Monty and Mrs. Johnston extended greetings to new citizens. Dorval Jaycette group was organized in Dorval. Dorval declined an invitation to join Montreal Men's Corporation.

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## As Productive Year

Canada's recovery from the recent recession now appears to be in full stride and Canadians can look forward to a helathy year of economic expansion in 1960, President H. Gordon Love of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce said today in a year-end message.

"Preserving a favorable climate for further economic expansion places heavy responsibilities on labour, management and government," he said. "These various segments of our economy must work together to keep this country strong, productive and free. I place emphasis on the word free, for it is in an atmosphere of freedom, where there is a minimum of control, that individual enterprise flourishes best."

Government spending, employer-employee relations, foreign trade, and inflation were singled out by the Chamber President as three areas which needed to be watched carefully.

"As for government spending, it is time that governments at all levels started to tighten their belts," he said. "Less government spending is the surest way of reducing the tax burden. High personal and corporate income tax rates discourage initiative and sales and similar taxes add to the costs of manufacturers and to the prices we

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## Sidewalk Supers

As the steel fabric of the Canadian National Railways new headquarters building, which was started Sept. 10, began to take shape, Montreal's "sidewalk superintendents" were treated to a view of steel building framework construction never before seen in this city and which is, in fact, unique in all of Canada.

The extraordinarily heavy girders and the odd-shaped trusses have excited many wondering comments. A bystander was heard to remark: "They seem to have been put in any old way - sort of higgledy-piggledy."

They are, of course, carefully thought out and calculated to offset peculiar structural problems. Because the basement of the building consists of seven railway tracks, three now in existence, the basic supporting columns had to be placed where track clearances permitted, forming an irregular pattern.

But regular spacing of columns is required for the upper floors and the transition between the regular grid of the office floors and the irregular one at track level was

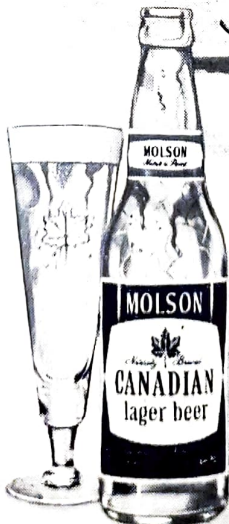
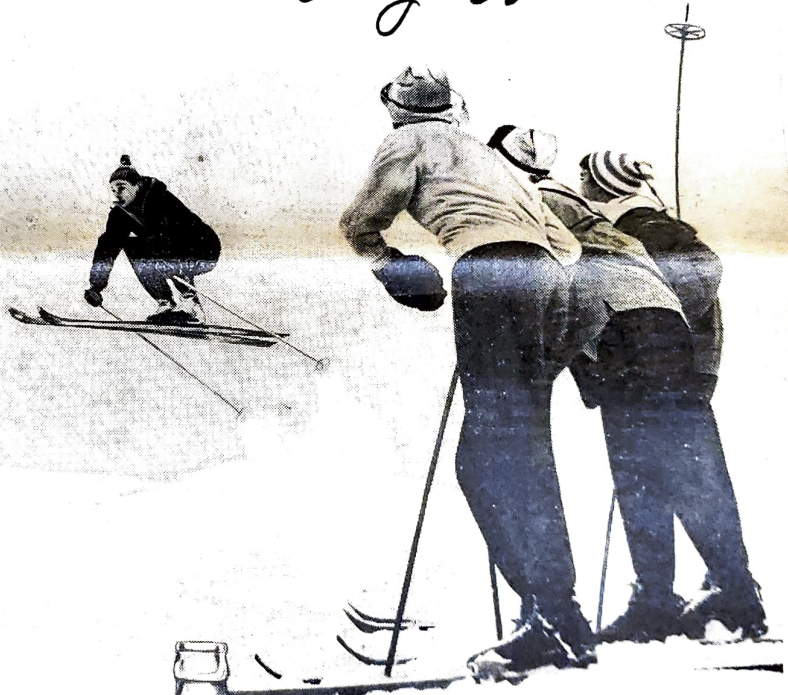


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# DORVAL Sports on Parade

by GABY FILIATRAULT

The local hockey season was scheduled to get under way last Sunday afternoon December 27th, with the Bantam League and three games were to be played. At 1:30 p.m. Windsor Gardens were playing hosts to Pine Beach at Nihon Park, Dorval East were visiting Strathmore 1 at Neptune Park at 3:00 p.m. and the Dorval East St. Louis Marie team were testing the strength of Pine Beach Grovers in a game starting at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday the 30th, at 7:00 p.m. the Pee-Wee League played its first game at Walters Park when Strathmore faced Pine Beach. The Midget League is due to start operation on Sunday January the third only. When Dorval East meets Pine Beach Flyers and Strathmore meets Windsor Gardens. Action to start at Walters Park at 3:00 p.m. and at Nihon Park at 1:30 p.m.

There will be a total of 116 hockey games played by midgets, bantams and pee-wees this coming winter. With the juveniles schedule not yet released, but expected to reach at least the 24 games mark, that gives us 140 hockey games to be played by Dorval boys this winter. Add the sixty and over games to be played by the mosquitos leagues and we reach the imposing total of 200 hockey games. Now everyone is willing and ready to play every single one of the scheduled game but old man weather will decide and there's nothing much for us to say but hope for the best hockey weather as it will be needed badly.

Midgets will play 18 games, Bantams 42 games and Pee Wees 56 games. Midgets are playing three games against each of the other three teams in the league. Bantam with seven teams in the league, each team playing two games against the other six teams in the league will come up with 42 games. Pee-wees have an eight team affair and with two games between each team it makes a total of 56 Pee Wee games. Friday evenings and Saturdays and Sundays all four main hockey rinks, Neptune, Walters, Nihon and Ballantyne will see a lot of action. A complete schedule of all activities at each park, with time for hockey games and practices, skating time and so on, will be posted in each chalet by the director of recreation, George Senyk, and anyone interested in skating or seeing a hockey game will get all the information needed as to the time allotted for skating or which league and teams are playing, or practicing.

As everyone can see, the hockey program has become quite an affair with 200 games being played and with an average of 40 persons involved, players and officials, each game everybody will agree that it takes quite an organisation to handle things properly. League officials and representatives of our community associations on the hockey board deserve a lot of credit for their work.

Due to Pete Stefanik being named president of the newly-formed Dorval East Recreation Association, and having to resign as director of hockey for the Dorval East District, Alec Lesperance has been named Hockey Director for the Dorval East District and all hockey activities will be under Alec supervision.

We are told that the registration for our Juvenile hockey team wasn't a big success. It seems that Saturday afternoon is not a good day for registration of juvenile age players but any juvenile age player who would like to try for the team should make it a point to contact his community association representative who will see that his name is registered with the team. One good advice, you better hurry, if the team has to import players and later on you cannot find a place on it you will only have yourself to blame. That is something we cannot understand. With players over age from last year's four Midget teams and we know of many good hockey players who played for the Dorval Dukes in football and who are still juvenile age hockey players there shouldn't be any trouble to get a very good hockey team formed. Maybe our juveniles have lost all hope of playing hockey and have also lost their interest in hockey but we refuse to believe that. The only answer seems that Saturday was a bad day for registration or that the boys still don't know about a juvenile hockey team being formed in Dorval this winter.

If everything goes according to plans the City of Dorval will have nearly a third of all the teams playing under the Lakeshore Hockey Board. Twenty new teams are operating under the Lakeshore Hockey Board this winter bringing the total to 61 teams and Dorval has twenty teams registered with the Board this winter; four Midgets, seven Bantams, 8 Pee Wees and one Juvenile. The City of Dorval forming the Eastern section of the Lakeshore Hockey Board, is the biggest hockey organization on the Lakeshore and it is only starting. With an arena the number of teams could well go up 50% not counting intermediate and commercial leagues.

Following is this week's hockey schedule;

Sat. January 2	Mosquitos;	Windsor Gardens	at	Dorval East	10:00 am.
		Ballantyne Park	at	Nihon Park	10:00 am.
	Pee-Wees;	Strathmore	at	Windsor Gdn.	1:30 pm.
		Pine Beach	at	Courtland Park	2:00pm.
		Cooke Toledo	at	Dorval E.	
		Rockets	at	Pine Beach	2:00pm.
		Dorval E. Aces	at	Pine Beach	2:00pm.
		Eso	at	Dorval East	3:00pm.
	Bantams;	Strathmore	at	Pine Beach	3:00pm.
		Pine Beach	at	Pine Beach	8:00pm.
		Groven	at	Groven	8:00pm.
		this game to be played at the Lachine Arena.			
Sun. January 3	Bantams;	Windsor Gardens	at	Dor. E. St. Louis	2:00 pm.
		Midgets;	Dorval East	at	Pine Beach
				Flyers	3:00pm.
		Strathmore	at	Windsor Gdn.	1:30pm.
Wed. January 6	Midgets;	Pine Beach	at	Dorval East	8:00pm.
		Flyers	at	Strathmore	8:00pm.
		Windsor Gdn.	at	Strathmore	8:00pm.

Alec Lesperance, Dorval East Hockey Director has just released the names of the coaches for his district this coming winter. They are for the Mosquitos, E. Cullen Me. 1-3797 and R. Poole Me. 1-1375. For the Pee Wees, A.G. Dennis Me. 1-8347 and E. McCullough Me. 1-8130. For the Bantams J.E. Benoit Me. 1-6174, M. DeSerres Me. 1-1152 and Guy Filiatrault Me. 1-3695. For the St. Louis Marie Bantams Brother Paul Omer Me. 1-4327. For the Midgets, B. Dick Me. 1-0607 and M. Bessette Me. 1-3239.

Alec also says that players are still needed on each team and boys interested should contact one of the coaches above in their category.

by Gordie Webster

Sunday, December 27th, started the Quebec Minor Hockey League schedule in Dorval with the Pine Beach Grover Bantam team defeating the St. Louis Bantam team by the score of 3 to 1. The Pine Beach Bantam team "B" was defeated by Windsor Gardens by the score of 9 to 0. Never mind fellows - the next time will be different. Mr. J. Young, previously announced as coach of the Pee-Wee team has been moved up to coach the Pine Beach "B" Bantam team.

We are holding a parent's hockey night when we hope to ice two teams at the Lachine Arena on Saturday, January 9th, from 8 to 9 P.M. This is to raise funds for the cost of the arena.

A social evening for the mothers of the hockey players will be held at the home of Mrs. Webster on January 14th, at 8:00 P.M. For any information on these two events please contact Me. 1-6613 anytime.

The coaches have asked me to remind the parents to check that their boys are bringing all their equipment to the practices and games. Some are turning up with wollen gloves and no shin pads etc. This is dangerous for the boys and we do not want any hurt.

A schedule for the hockey games will be given each player and one posted at Walters Park along with the rules and skating periods for parents and their children. This rink is primarily a hockey rink and if the skating periods are not used it will be taken for other use. If any want time on the rink for special parties etc. Please contact me either by phone or letter stating all particulars.

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**January** Alderman Francis, 4 Brentwood, has Dauphine Renault running himself a Renault Dauphine third of the area of the consideration by the Dorval was held at St. Louis Marie

**February** Carol Tremblay represent Canada at an 18 hours by T.C.A. Dorval to the D.R.A. Hockey Club mens Club Members attended Mrs. Monty and Mrs. John Jaycette group was organized join Montreal Metro Corp

**March** Dorval City received three awards from the Island of Montreal on the proposed "Country Course" raged in Lettres its first entrance.

**April** Contestants Lakeshore Exhibition development of Violet and garage controversy ing the project. The Kinsmen Club of Lachine with 2200 participating down on their bid to purchase Anne in Lachine boulev Safety Campaign underway.

**May** The Local League to provide eye United Church of Canada sponsored by the U.S. Reporter published mens, a wonderfully was crowned Miss D

**June** A liquor Coffee-Cup was opened as a guest of honor at a "Learn to Swim Park became Ballantyne

**July** Queen Sec presented money on behalf of their attendance Mr. L. Decary was mission.

**August** The D. Swim Meet, Strathmore swim meet at Walters

**September** Lak Weekly Calendar of the Dorval Reporter School's first graduation Dorval Schools, Dorval, Dorval Little

**October** A prom. UNICEF prom. cess on the Lakeshore

**November** Cl in Valois Shopping retarded children promoted Youth serving an Dorval

**December** mas Lighting Comrit of friendship year, was with u

It was a pleasure there again in Dorval" included

# IN FOCUS

By K. M.

A folder with 52 issues of the Dorval Reporter kept me occupied for several hours as I searched out Dorval highlights for 1959. It took me much longer than I intended -- I was lost in a maze of interesting news and photographs. It was a good year for Dorval, and busy. Here it is in retrospect as seen through The Dorval Reporter.

**January** Alderman Bourke was appointed Pro-Mayor for January, February, March. Dorval proposed a Civil Defense Committee. Mr. J.L. Francis, 4 Brentwood, had on his card the exact distance covered by a Dauphine Renault running on a coffee cup of gasoline, thereby winning himself a Renault Dauphine. The apartment project planned to cover one third of the area of the Royal Montreal Golf Club property was under consideration by the Dorval City Council. The annual Winter Carnival was held at St. Louis Marie School.

**February** Carol Travers, selected as one of the Girl Guides to represent Canada at an International Camp in Australia, set off for Melbourne by T.C.A. Dorval Recreation Association donated two trophies to the D.R.A. Hockey Committee. Montreal Lakeshore University Womens Club Members attended Citizenship Court and two Dorval ladies, Mrs. Monty and Mrs. Johnston extended greetings to new citizens. Dorval Jaycette group was organized in Dorval. Dorval declined an invitation to join Montreal Metro Corporation.

**March** Dorval City Council and Safety Council representatives received three awards from the Quebec Safety League, only municipality on the Island of Montreal to receive three awards. The controversy over the proposed "Country Club Apartments" on the Royal Montreal Golf Course raged in Letters to the Editor. St. Marks Couples Club planned its first entertainment.

**April** Contestants for the Miss Lakeshore title were featured. The Lakeshore Exhibition at Valois Park School opened. The proposed development of Violet Crescent Park and the proposed municipal parking garage controversy was taken to the polls with the citizens endorsing the project. The Dorval Civic Library Board was organized. The Kinsmen Club of Lachine-Dorval sponsored a Kin Kan Kurlers Bonspiel with 2200 participating. Smith, Hercovitch, and Associates were turned down on their bid to promote the apartment development. Sisters of St. Anne in Lachine bought the Royal Montreal Clubhouse. The Bicycle Safety Campaign under the direction of The Dorval Safety Council got underway.

**May** The Local Lions joined Lions International in their campaign to provide eye-glasses for the needy in Bombay, India. The Dorval United Church Choir were runners-up in the Junior Choir Festival sponsored by the United Church Sunday School Association. The Dorval Reporter published "Close-Up of a Community," City of Dorval Supplement, a wonderfully comprehensive picture of Dorval, Miss Sandra Neal was crowned Miss Dorval on Jaycee sponsored Dorval Day.

**June** A liquor commission store was authorized for Dorval. The Coffee-Cup was opened at Lachine General Hospital. Jacques Plante was guest of honor at a father and son banquet in the Centre Paroissial. A "Learn to Swim Programme" was underway in Dorval. Violet Crescent Park became Ballantyne Park.

**July** Queen Scouts Douglas Kilpatrick, and David Glavin were presented money on behalf of the City of Dorval to help defray expenses during their attendance at Boy Scout World Jamboree in the Philippines. Mr. L. Decary was successful candidate for the Dorval School Commission.

**August** The D.R.A. took place at the Second Annual Lakeshore Swim Meet. Strathmore won the City of Dorval Trophy at the city wide swim meet at Walters Park.

**September** Lake St. Louis Optimists staged a Gas A Rama. The Weekly Calendar of Events was offered as a special feature service of the Dorval Reporter. Commencement Exercises of St. Stephen's High School's first graduates was held. Elmer Safety Flags were raised at Dorval Schools. Mrs. Hazel Ballantyne was appointed Pro-Mayor of Dorval. Dorval Little League Award Day was held in Joubert Hall.

**October** A proposal for two new pools was endorsed by City Council. UNICEF promoted "Halloween With A Heart" with wonderful success on the Lakeshore.

**November** Civitan Christmas Cak-A-Rama clicked at its opening in Valois Shopping Centre, encouraging the club's main project, aiding retarded children along the Lakeshore. Optimist Club of Lake St. Louis promoted Youth Appreciation Week on the Lakeshore, John Rogers serving as Dorval's Mayor for a day.

**December** The Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored the Christmas Lighting Contest, Dorval was beautiful for Christmas, and the spirit of friendship and community fellowship, so evident throughout the year, was with us in abundance in December.

It was a pleasure finding you all in The Dorval Reporter, see you there again in 1960! Do help me to put in Focus all "Life's Like That in Dorval" incidents. A sincere thank you to 1959 contributors.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## Sidewalk Supers Have Picnic

As the steel fabric of the Canadian National Railways new headquarters building, which was started Sept. 10, began to take shape, Montreal's "sidewalk superintendents" were treated to a view of steel building framework construction never before seen in this city and which is, in fact, unique in all of Canada.

The extraordinarily heavy girders and the odd-shaped trusses have excited many wondering comments. A bystander was heard to remark: "They seem to have been put in any old way - sort of higgledy-piggledy."

They are, of course, carefully thought out and calculated to offset peculiar structural problems. Because the basement of the building consists of seven railway tracks, three now in existence, the basic supporting columns had to be placed where track clearances permitted, forming an irregular pattern.

But regular spacing of columns is required for the upper floors and the transition between the regular grid of the office floors and the irregular one at track level was

achieved by heavy girders and trusses between the first, second, and third floors. The girders and trusses are as strong as those used in bridge construction in order to "pick up" the heavy loads of the tall office building columns and carry them down to the track columns.

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Janice Collyer, Marcell Avenue, and Krispina Berg of Cloverdale Avenue have returned from Mount St. Bernard College and are spending the Holidays with their parents.

Monique Laflamme, St. Charles Avenue is also spending the Holidays with her parents, having returned from St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, U.S.A.

Dianne Jefferies, Martin Avenue entertained her teenage friends with a pre-Christmas party on Saturday evening December 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ulrich, Dorval Garden Apartments with daughter Allison, are spending the Holidays at Pittsburg, Penn. U.S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cunningham, Violet Crescent, attended a family dinner party at the home of their son Stainton on Christmas Day, returning from his home in St. Bruno on Saturday evening.

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander from North Carolina, who have taken up residence in the Dorval Garden Apartments.

The Riverside Park Bowling League held their Annual Turkey Roll with the following high scores taking home the "Birds": Mrs. K. McTavish - High 3 - 444, Mrs. E. Callan - high single - 181, Mr. N. Ray - high 3 - 519, Mr. S. Butterfill - high single - 204, Consolation prizes went to Mrs. L. Coates and Mr. C. Poole. Play will be resumed on January 8.

Bary Jefferies, Martin Avenue, entertained a group of boys and girls last Wednesday December 23.

Miss Paula Featherstonehaugh who is a student at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, is spending the holidays with her parents at their home in the Dorval Garden Apartments.

David Callen, Handfield Circle and Ronald Coates Green Circle, both students at Acadia College, Wolfville, N.S., are spending the Holidays with their parents.

Mrs. A. Cooper, Cloverdale Avenue, has returned from the Lachine General Hospital with her baby daughter. Mr. Cooper returned on Saturday December 19 from San Monica California after an absence of several weeks on business.

The Christening of the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stanley Elliott of 14 Elliott Place, Dorval, took place on Sunday December 20th, in St. Mark's Anglican Church at 2:30 p.m. The Reverend R. M. Turpin officiated; the baby was given the names Christine Evelyn. Godparents are Mr. and



A FINE TIME WAS HAD BY ALL at the home of P.C. Lamere, 275 Sources Road, following the judging in the Joyce Christmas Lighting Contest. Mr. Lamere emerged as first place winner. Seen with Mr. Lamere (centre) are Mayor R. John Pratt and Sandra Neal (Miss Dorval). At far right is Police Chief Noel.

Mrs. D. Finnie of Ottawa a reception was held after the ceremony.

Anniversary, congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Elliott of 2 Elliott Place who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on December 19. Their family presented them with flatware silver at a party given in their honor. Mr. and Mrs. D. Finnie of Ottawa were weekend guests.

Carol singers Lesley Dawson, Jackie Philip and Wendy Hembrus, carolled around Tulip Avenue, Dahlia Avenue and Ferndale and Violet Crescent on Christmas Eve and the Tiny Tim Fund was \$10.00 richer by their efforts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Baker, Ferndale Crescent, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. C. Tully of Beaconsfield to Plage Laval on Christmas Day, where they attended a family party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tully Sr., on Sunday they were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Philpotts of Notre Dame de Grace.

Mrs. H. B. Millar, Michael Jamin has her Mother, Mrs. Malloy of Ville LaSalle as a Holiday guest.

The Community of Cote de Liesse held a childrens party for the neighborhood children in the basement of 23 O'Connell Avenue on Wednesday December 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Ortwein, Mimosa Avenue with their children spent the Christmas holidays in London, Ontario, visiting relatives.

The Senior Citizens Social Club will meet on January 7 instead of December 31, their regular day at 2 p.m. in the Dorval United Church Hall. New members will be welcome.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. A. Godwin, Mimosa Avenue, who celebrated a birthday on December 29, to Valerie Edwards, Cloverdale Avenue, who will be 4 years old on January 4, to Carol Cooper, Cloverdale 17 on January 4, to Doreen Bourne, 17-December 31, to baby Collis, Allard Avenue, 1 year old in January and to Tony Hyder, Mimosa Avenue, 4-December 31, to John Beech, Mimosa Avenue, 10 - January 3 to Guy Filiatrault, George V. Avenue who will be 17 on December 21, to brother Gillis 5 on December 28 and their father Mr. C. Filiatrault whose natal day is

January 2 and to Mr. S. Murray Sr. Lakeshore Drive, whose birthday is January 3.

St. Veronica's held their Turkey roll on Monday December 21 with turkeys going to the following Mrs. G. Parson, high 3; Mr. F. Collins, high single; Mr. C. Harfield, high 3. Play will resume after the holidays.

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The Optimists Club of Lake St. Louis held a very enjoyable Christmas Party at the Maples Inn on December 19th when they entertained 173 orphans. The entertainment, refreshments and a gift for each child made this a memorable event for these children, and was made possible through the sale of some 1700 Christmas Stockings on the Lakeshore.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. H.R. Pride, Windermere Avenue, on the recent death of his father, Mr. Philip Pride.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Barkas, Nightingale Avenue, entertained at an impromptu party following the Strathmore Community Association Turkey Roll on December 21st.

Mrs. E. Cameron McDonald, St. Louis Avenue, entertained her Bridge Club at the last meeting before Christmas when the prizes were won by Mrs. Westcott, Mrs. Moreman and Mrs. Ledger.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hurtubise, Sources Road, who celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary on December 27.

Birthday greetings to John Rendall, Dubord Crescent, who was eight years old on December 29th, to Patsy Moore, Strathmore Blvd., who was twelve years old on December 30th; Patricia Lambrecht, Brookhaven Avenue, who celebrated her fifteenth birthday yesterday, as well as Pauline Foisy, Sources Road, who was eleven years old yesterday.

The next meeting of the Strathmore Women's Club will be held

on Thursday, January 7th, 1960 at 8:30 p.m. in the Strathmore United Church Hall. Following the business meeting, court whist will be played.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. J.J. Roney, Vinet Avenue on the recent death of his step-father, Mr. Charles Ernest Bangs.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lacombe and their daughter, Kathryn, Clement Avenue North, spent the Christmas holiday as the guest of Mrs. Lacombe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch, in Ogdensburg, N.Y. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. G.D. Gilmour, Prince Charles Avenue, on the recent birth of their daughter at the Doctors' Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E.S. Braddell, Linnet Crescent, entertained at a Yuletide party last Saturday evening.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Andrew's Church will hold the first meeting of the new year in the Church Hall on Tuesday, January 12th. The business meeting will be followed by a demonstration by two Beauty Counsellor representatives.

Mr. and Mrs. N.W. Custer of Brookhaven Avenue, have as their guests for the holidays, Mrs. Custer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Allan of Fort William, Ontario.

Belated birthday greetings to Mrs. H. Brother, St. Louis Avenue; Mrs. J. Divens, Westwood Avenue and to Wendy Hopson, also of Westwood, who all celebrated their

birthdays on Christmas Day.

The Pee Wee Bowling Leagues (children between the age of 8 and 13) which are sponsored by the Strathmore Community Association bowled for prizes before breaking off for the Christmas holidays. The Group living north of the Metropolitan Boulevard bowl at Valois and their prize winners were Marilyn Westcott, Diane Duckworth, Linda Dick, Christina Maughan, Diane Dick, Jane Lawrenson, Richard Finley, Clifford Wood, Grant Clatworthy and Richard LaCocqua. Those living south of the Boulevard bowl at Dorval Lanes and their prize winners were: Barbara Sloan, prize winners were: Margary Gordon, Judy W.ugh, Margary Gordon, Gregory Wade, Michael Bellin, Pat Maxham, Bobby Harris, Billy Barkas, Bobby Mison and Dave Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Copeland, Lake Avenue, entertained at a buffet supper last Sunday evening.

Birthday greetings to Stewart Sutcliffe, Malcolm Circle, who is celebrating his birthday today.

The many friends and former neighbours of Mrs. Theodore (Ted) Gordon were grieved and shocked to learn of her sudden death last Saturday, and join in extending to members of her family their most sincere sympathy. Mrs. Gordon, the former Laura Watson, lived in Strathmore on Lake Avenue until about five years ago when she and

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# AUTHORS and ARTISTS

By Mary Ellen Scott

ALL BOOKS REVIEWED IN THIS COLUMN MAY BE BORROWED FROM THE DORVAL CIVIC LIBRARY.

**BEN-GURION**, The Biography of an extraordinary Man by Robert St. John, Doubleday, 336 pages, Price \$4.50.

Here is a portrait of one of the greatest men of modern times, perhaps of all time. Moreover it is the story of the rebirth of Israel, not only as a "chosen" people of one ethnic group, but as a nation with a proud history, repatriated to their ancient homeland of Palestine. It is a saga of the struggle, the almost unbelievable anguish with which they have won their nationhood, a struggle which is far from ended.

Ben-Gurion is too much the symbol of this struggle to come through the pages of the book as completely human. He has his moments of humanity, but is himself too conscious, and justly so, of his place in the great moments of history, for us to perceive the man behind the symbol.

Paula, his wife, to whom the book is intuitively dedicated, is a very real personality. She guards the Old Man and his personal needs with the love of a mother, the ferocity of a tigress and the practicality of a housewife. Is Ben-Gurion taking a much-needed after dinner nap? Paula is chasing noisy children down the street with a broom. In the tense days just prior to the declaration of the Israeli nation, Paula is sending butter to a government chemical laboratory in Tel Aviv.

"I want it analyzed because I think the place it came from is cheating my David and sending him poor-quality butter. He must have the best food there is to keep him going."

Little vignettes of Ben-Gurion himself are more endearing because they are rare. A man of great cultural achievement, he once paid a secret visit to England just to browse in the stacks of one of the great university libraries. A photographer with a telephoto lens on his camera caught a candid shot of the Old Man, then seventy, standing on his head on the beach near Tel Aviv. It was a shot seen round the world, and behind it was the story of Ben-Gurion making daily time in a very full schedule to learn and practise the art of Yogi.

It is good for us in the western world to whom the Near East is merely a troublesome headline in a newspaper, to be brought into personal contact with those noble pioneers who are the Architects of modern Zion. At the end of its first ten years of nationhood, Tel Aviv had grown from a small village to a city as large as Dallas. People had come from seventy countries, speaking almost every tongue on earth, even Japanese; all had learned to speak Hebrew. Five hundred villages and farm settlements had been established.

In Science and the Arts the Israelis had triumphed too.

They were the second nation in the world in proportion to population in the publication of books. They had six national orchestras and one hundred permanent choral societies. What a record of achievement for a people who had been thought to be scattered over the face of the earth, and Ben-Gurion had been their leader.

**WE ARE LOOKING BACKWARD**... an act which many columnists perform at this season with mingled feelings. We recall with pleasure the eight evenings of fun we had in viewing and reviewing little theatre productions on our Lakeshore. Our thanks to all the Drama Societies who so graciously invited us to see their plays.

And now we'd like to make a few end of the year Awards. **BEST ALL-ROUND PRODUCTION... TO KILL A CAT... ST. AUGUSTINE PLAYERS BEST STAGE SETTING... ROPE... REGENCY PLAYERS.** Having no wish to go out on a limb on the Eve of 1960 and pick a "best" actor or actress, and there were too

many "worst", we have invented a special award.

**ACTRESS-WHO-HAD-THE-MOST-FUN**... Val. Dalton in "Love from a Stranger".

We recall with pleasure the kind and helpful people whose vivid and interesting personalities have inspired us. So many of us are just "status seekers", sliding up or down the well-polished groove, that we have gained perspective in meeting those people in the community who, in modest ways, foster the arts which are the core of civilization.

We recall with awe, tempered with amusement that only this week we were hoist on our own petard when our ten-year-old thesbian read Mother's column, **PARTICIPATION IS THE KEYNOTE**, and took it to heart! Result -- the day before Christmas which could have been spent helping with mundane household tasks was earnestly dedicated to the production of a Nativity Play.

Disbursed -- a few cents for a blue head-cloth for Mary the Mother, Corralled -- one father who built a perfect little manger to fit a baby doll. With the producer playing alternate roles of Joseph and the Innkeeper, and Mother doubling as the angel Gabriel and a messenger from Rome, with Father operating a baby spot and providing Christmas music on our reed organ, we found ourselves caught up in reverence at the miraculous Birth. With one accord, we were kneeling at the crèche to sing "Oh little town of Bethlehem". A memorable Christmas experience.

**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD**... to M.R.T.'s production of **HAMLET** starring Leo Ciceri, and directed by Roger Racine. Some 200 players flocked to the open tryouts at the Playhouse, and the cast is entirely composed of Montrealers. **HAMLET** will have a three-week run, with special evening and matinee performances for students at reduced prices.

... to greater things from MRT's School of the Theatre now that Miss Ivy Ashworth of the Lachine Civic Theatre has been appointed its Director. Miss Ashworth has had intensive training in the art of the theatre in England and a fine record of artistic productions in Lachine. Many will remember her open air Shakespearean Theatre on the lawn of the Bickersteth.

... to news that a Lakeshore Drama League has definitely been formed. A committee to investigate its advantages will make a report early in the New Year. Let it be in a spirit of Giving rather than Getting that we embark on this new phase of Little Theatre on the Lakeshore. . .

... To hearing more concerts, to seeing more plays, to viewing more art exhibits, to reading more books -- to doing less housework in 1960. How about you? **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## LEAVE FIDO ALONE AT HIS MEALTIME

To the phrase, "let sleeping dogs lie," add another, "let eating dogs eat in peace", advises The Canadian Kennel Club. Dogs don't like to be shocked awake or teased while eating any more than humans. Some dogs which otherwise wouldn't dream of snapping, may do so if bothered while eating. It's their only way of saying "please leave me alone".

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## Montreal City Hall Host To Christmas Blood Bank

On Saturday, January 2, the annual Christmas Blood Donor Clinic will be held at Montreal City Hall under the mayor's sponsorship. Beginning at 9:00 a.m. and continuing without interruption until 9:00 p.m., this will be a 20-bed clinic to ensure that donors are dispatched as quickly as possible. Adequate Red Cross personnel will be in attendance, including a highly-skilled team of doctors, nurses and technicians, as well as Junior Red Cross members and Red Cross nurse volunteers. Physicians and nurses of the City of Montreal's Health Department will assist Red Cross personnel.

"We must rely exclusively on the people who visit our Centre and the Christmas Blood Donor Clinic for blood during this anxious season", states Dr. J. Marc Fortin, medical director of the Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service, "and it is for this reason that I urge all Montreal citizens who are capable of giving blood to do so if they would give the most precious gift of all to someone whose life depends on their donation".

In view of the intense shortage of blood which customarily confronts hospitals throughout the Province during the Christmas holiday period due mainly to the reluctance evinced by industrial firms to hold blood donor clinics at this time of year, the Red Cross is making every effort to alleviate the situation. The need for blood continues daily and never slackens.

Only a fortnight ago, a St. Laurent mother of three children who was seriously injured in an auto accident needed 18 pints of a rare blood type in transfusions before surgery could be undertaken to save her life. In response to an urgent call for blood from St. Mary's Hospital, the Red Cross Blood Bank was able to rush the vitally-needed blood to St. Mary's for successful treatment of this near-fatal case. At present, however, there is no

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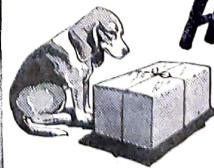
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pay as consumers. In the field of labour-management relations, steps should be taken to ensure that both labour and management are equally responsible under the law. On trade, the government must adopt policies which will encourage the development and expansion of both domestic and foreign markets for Canadian products. As for inflation, we must continue to accept certain disciplines which have been imposed to ensure a sound currency. If inflation is halted and a sound currency ensured, existing cost-price patterns will be altered with benefits to the whole country.

"Throughout the year ahead, the Canadian Chamber will continue to interpret and to present the business viewpoint to government and the general public and press for action on those policies which the Chamber believes are for the best interests of Canadians as a whole."

Some highlights of the economic outlook for the year ahead were outlined by Mr. Love as follows:

Cross National Product - total value of all goods and services likely to reach more than \$37 billion in 1960.

Plant and Equipment - increase in spending on plant and equipment

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Mr. Gordon moved to Sutton, Que. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were here for Christmas as the guests of her sister, Mrs. Wiseman, Lake Ave., when she took ill and died shortly after being rushed to Lachine General Hospital.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Lamere, 275 Sources Road, for their beautiful Christmas lighting display. They were the winners of the Lighting Contest sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Dorval held the week before Christmas. Upon receiving the cheque for first prize, they presented it to the Parish of Ste. Jeanne de Chantal to be used to help needy families in the Parish.

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Housing - housing starts in 1960 expected to come down almost 15% to about the 125,000 level.

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**Bowling Tourney Is Biggest Ever**

A province-wide bowling tournament which will give every one of Quebec's estimated 250,000 male duck pin bowlers a chance to appear on television as one of the province's champions, will get underway early next year.

Organized by Dow Brewery in association with the C.B.C., the multi-stage competition is being held to choose contenders for next season's "L'Heure des Quilles", top-rated bowling television show carried on the French network.

Competition is based on the top

weekly high triple scores rolled in every alley affiliated with the Dow Bowling Association, formed to conduct it. It will start January 10 and run for 15 weeks. All Montreal district bowling alley representatives briefed on details have joined. Every section of the province is being similarly organized through Dow's distributors and branch managers.

The top three high triple players in every alley automatically qualify to take part in an elimination tournament at their home alley May 7.

Leaders of this tourney will then play off to produce one or more district winners (number is based on the number of bowlers in the district).

Thus Montreal, for example, will qualify 20 for a provincial tournament. In all the district tourneys will produce 120 players for this grand final event.

These bowlers will be joined in this tourney by another 120, selected by the C.B.C., according to their year-long average scores, and the top 35 will be the stars of next season's "L'Heure des Quilles" television show.

Gaston Dagenais, producer of the T.V. program, said: "What it

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