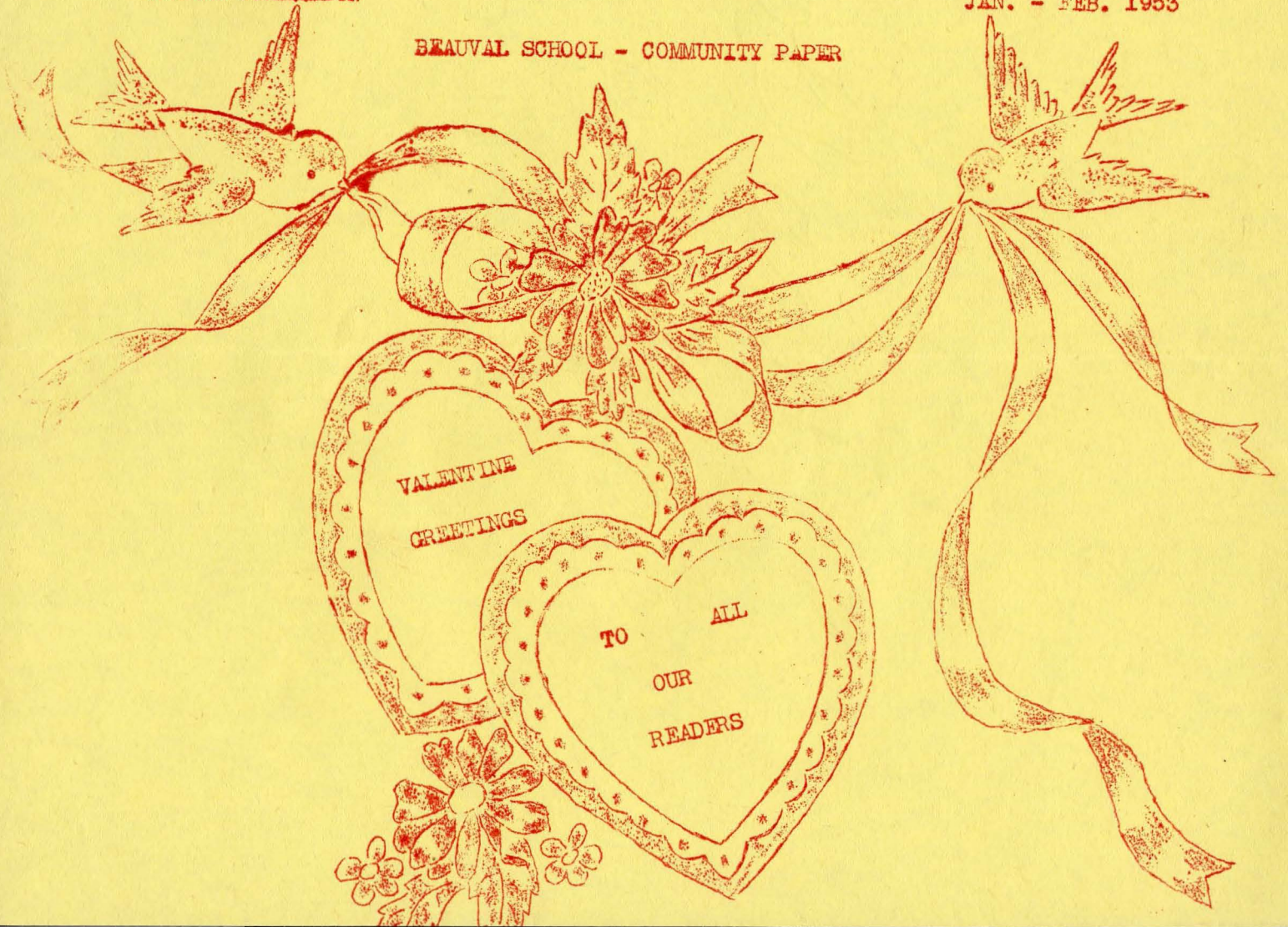


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KING AND QUEEN FOR A DAY

Basket Socials are always in style at Beauval, but on January 6, King's Day, there was a special item on the program which brought an enthusiastic crowd to our new parish hall. The real center of attraction was at the counter where there were little cakes, two of which mysteriously contained a pea and a bean. Everyone knew that the lucky chooser of the cake with a pea in it would be crowned king whereas the cake with a bean would designate the Village Queen.

We repeated some of the numbers of our Christmas Concert after which Alex Malboeuf showed his ability as auctioneer of the lovely baskets on display. That very night Louis Laliberté became the owner of four pretty baskets including an artistically decorated reed basket and a light delivery truck. Being the highest bidder he won the prize, a pocket watch offered by Reverend Father Perreault. Other baskets were patterned after such Christmas ornaments as a candle a star and bells, the last of which belonged to "SWEET ALICE", our Junior Class teacher. Laura Aubichon showed real good taste when she chose to buy the SMILING SNOWMAN to place on the counter at her Coffee Shop where he greets all those who stop for refreshments. Then came the cake and coffee RUSH. How everyone went for those cakes!!! Some even bought them by the dozens and ate them in partnership, ever on the "lookout" for the pea and the bean.

Finally the mysterious couple, (Queen Delphina Alcrow and King Louis Durocher) appeared on the stage, where they were crowned by the MASTER OF CEREMONIES ALEX MALBOEUF, Reverend Father Perreault offered a gift to the Local Royal Couple who wished happiness to their subjects although their reign did come to an end that very night. It was indeed a happy day, for evidently everyone enjoyed the evening very much.

Alice Maurice, Grade VII

Miss Georget Leaves Us.

We were very sorry to say good-bye to Miss Georget on January 28. She had been with for two months only but she had won the affection of all her little ones and the big ones too. On January 27, we gave her a farewell party at the school. We offered her a box of writing paper to thank her for her kindness towards us. We wish her success and happiness at her new school in Creighton, Saskatchewan. Miss Georget we hope you will come back to Beauval someday.

Louise Maurice, Grade V

VILLAGE NEWS

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

BORN to:

Mr. and Mrs. Ambroise Lafleur, on Jan. 2, a baby boy named Isidore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jules Laliberté, on the 7th, a rosy little girl, Lillian.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Rediron, a little sunny boy.

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8- Mr. Emilien Hanson arrived with his family from Doré Lake. Mr. Jack Rickleton arrived on the same day too.

29- Mr. Valmore Mroin, on furlough since Christmas, went back to Regina, headquarters of the R.C.A.F.

FEBRUARY- 3- Mr. Alex Burnouf left with a party of fishermen for Great Slave Lake. The fishermen were: Emilien Hanson, Léon Durocher, Daniel Aubichon, John Corrigan and his father, Victor Roy, Alfred Bouvier, Adolphe Laliberté and Ambroise Bouvier. They will be coming back in March. Good luck to you all.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bouvier went to Prince Albert to visit her two sons, René and Tony who are patients at the P.A. Sanatorium.

3- Mr. Don Neilson toured the North in view of organizing the Garden Clubs. He did not stay long at the village school because Sister M.A. Megeau was still absent, but he will be coming back in March. Then we'll be doing real business, won't we, Mr. Neilson?

22- The grade nine students had the good fortune of going to Ile a la Crosse to see a hockey game: the Beauval Indian boys with the Islanders. They went with Father Perreault in the jeep. It was a reward they were given for the fine work they have been doing at school. Jimmy Lafleur, grade VII went along too. He too was being rewarded for the carpentry work he has been doing after school hours.

Florence Buffin and Irene Hanson came back to the little village school after the Christmas holidays. Florence had been attending school at Meadow Lake, while Irene had been a boarder at Ile a la Crosse. Welcome in our midst, Florence and Irene.

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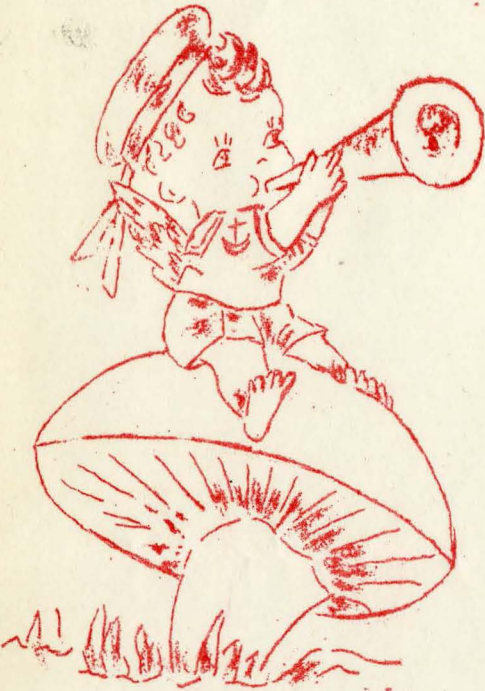
RETREAT FOR THE OBLATE FATHERS

A group of missionary Fathers and Brothers arrived from their respective missions on Feb. 9 to follow the exercises of the annual retreat which was held at the Indian Residential School. There were 19 of them altogether.

Reverend Father Philip Scheffer, newly appointed Provincial Superior for the vicariate of the Keewatin, preached the retreat. The new Pastor definitely created a most favorable impression on his missionaries if we judge by the comments that were made about the "bon Père"... THE GOOD FATHER, when he paid a visit to the inmates of the school after the retreat

It was most edifying to see these good Fathers and Brothers, praying and meditating during that seven-day retreat. We also prayed for them, asking God to shower upon them His choicest blessings.

WITH THY HAND O HEAVENLY FATHER, LEAD THOU ME



WEDDINGS

Wedding bells rang merrily on February 16 when Mrs. Aldina Buffin united her destiny to that of Mr. Emilien Lafleur. Both promised fidelity to each other in the presence of their children who wished many years of happiness to their beloved parents. The couple quietly spent their wedding day at the home of Mrs. Buffin.

On the same day Miss Florence Aubichon gave her hand to Mr. Clément Larivière. Rev. Father Perreault blessed the two couples after which he celebrated Mass to their intention. The bride wore a white satin dress and veil. Clément was very handsome too. After the marriage ceremony the young couple left for Misakamiak where they will be living. Many relatives and friends shared the wedding festivities. At night a dance was held at the home of Raphael Laliberté. May the good Lord bless and keep these his newly wed:

JEEP RIDE ON THE RIVER

took the boys first; we got off a few miles north and he went back for the girls. We visited the people who were fishing on the river. It was very interesting to watch them pulling their nets through a hole in the ice; then setting them back again by means of a rope which they pulled from another hole, some ten yards off. As we sat around the fire, Father Perreault gave us cookies and soft drinks. Then we were fortunately caught in a storm of..... candy and peanuts. How we enjoyed jumping and crouching to get our share. Time to go home came too soon as usual, but we were thankful to Father and our teacher for the lovely afternoon.

Johnny Mathieson Gr. 1X



WELCOME

to our dear Teacher

Sister M. A. Mageau

who will be with us on Monday, Feb. 23.



FUN FISHING

AMATEUR PROGRAM AND BASKET SOCIAL

What a surprise it was for everybody to hear that there would be a fish pond at the hall on February 8. Fishing indoors! How could that be possible? When, on the evening of the 8th, Marie Rose Gauthier, held the line over an invisible fish pond and pulled out.... a queer-looking fish in the form of a doll, there was an uproar of laughter, and it wasn't long before the "pass-word" of the evening was "I'm going fishing." If the children were anxious to hold the line, they were simply delighted to have a bite at every trial.

The stage presented a rich display of beautiful baskets, most of them shaped like hearts - real Valentine baskets. At 8 o'clock the admirers of the fish pond were invited to listen to a short amateur program prepared by the school children to which some of the grown-ups contributed. The first and second prizes went to Mrs. Aldina Corrigan and to Hermeline Corrigan for a song accompanied by Aldina on the guitar. Jimmy Lafleur won third prize for playing the part of OLD McDONALD, while all his farm animals appeared in turn on the stage when their names were mentioned in the good old song. When the old JEEP (Jimmy's own invention) rattled back and forth, the audience burst into a chorus of laughter.

Mr. Landry was then invited to sell the baskets which he did in a very humorous and interesting way. How everybody laughed when he conversed with a lovely DOLL basket, who admitted that she was worth at least five dollars. And she did sell for that price too. Mr. Ed. Kimbley was very proud to buy Mrs. Mathieson's pretty silver Valentine basket trimmed with colorful pop corn. Mr. Rickelton got the COTTAGE he was longing for.

Reverend Father Landry was present with a group of girls and boys from the mission. It is believed that quite a number of Father Landry's well-groomed boys went for the HEART baskets that evening. All those who hadn't bought baskets dashed to the lunch counter where they were offered ice-cream, cakes, sandwiches and coffee. The fish pond "parade" came to an end only after it had been dried out and emptied of its wide variety of fish. We hope to fishing again soon.

M. Madeleine Durocher VI

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February 13 was the date set for the distribution of our Valentines and we were all SET to receive them too. We invited the little ones to a short amateur program to which some of the little tots took part. The grade nine students were very important that afternoon for they had been chosen to judge the performers. Jimmy Lafleur and Clément Malboeuf won first prize for singing YOU CAN SMILE. Rosa Sandherr came second and tiny Yvonne Kimbley won third prize.

Then Jimmy Lafleur, postman for the occasion, distributed the Valentines around. My but there were many of them. How happy we were when our name was called out. After enjoying a delicious lunch we all went home to read the verses in our Valentines.

Valmore Corrigan V



HIP HIP HURRAH

FOR THE BEAUVAL INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL BOYS

On Saturday, February 14, Reverend Father M. Landry, Principal of the Indian Residential School took his hockey team to the great Meadow Lake carnival. Although a telegram had invited our boys from 13 to 15 years of age to play a game with the Meadow Lake boys, all were surprised to realize that the Meadow Lake players outdid them in size and age for the most part. The goal-keeper was 17 years old and five or six of the other players had already reached "sweet sixteen." Our team, on the other hand, had but one player aged sixteen; the others were less than 15; two of them were only 12. No wonder they shook in their boots as they got ready in the cloak-room, for the big game.

Our players, under the expert direction of their coach, Reverend Brother Belanger, bravely accepted to meet their outstanding opponents; it was then that the whole crowd witnessed an unprecedented event. The Beauval fans won the victory with a score of 2-1; this does not, however, indicate their superiority. Forty minutes of the 60-minute game was played in the zone of the opponents.

It was amazing to watch little "bons hommes," such as Raphael Paul, Albert Fiddler August Iron and some of the others, scooting their way through their long-legged opponents. Both teams played a clean and masterly game. All points were made in the first period. Always alert and quick, August Iron, with the help of Albert Fiddler, netted the first score. A few minutes later, it was our dexterous William Beer's turn, unaided and with perfect ease to raise the score 2-0; this shot was a beauty. The Meadow Lake players brought the score 2-1 a few minutes before the end of the first period.

Our line, carefully kept by Eugene Kimbly, Peter Couillonneur and Edward Running - around was continually menaced; yet neither of the three had the good fortune of sending the puck behind the expert keeper of the Meadow Lake goal. The spectators enjoyed every bit of the game. They fully realized that our team had dominated both on the offensive and the defensive sides.

Congratulations go the Beauval Indian Residential School team, to their devoted Principal and to their untiring and experienced coach, Brother A. Belanger. We thank the Meadow Lake organizers for their kind invitation and we wish to show our appreciation to the young team for their good sportsmanship, and their clean and manly procedures throughout the game.

M. Laurent Landry.

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February 13 was the date set for the distribution of our valentines and we were all to receive them too. We invited the little ones to a short amateur program to which some of the little tots took part. The Grade IX students were very important that afternoon for they had been chosen to judge the performers. Jimmy Lafleur and Clement Malboeuf won first prize for singing "You can smile." Rose Sandherr came second and tiny Yvonne Kimbley won prize.

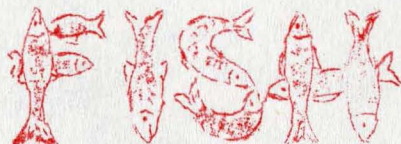
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Valmore Corrival Gr.V

REMEMBER

W. H. SANDHERR

IS THE RIGHT



DEALER

FOR YOU AND ME

YOU'LL RELISH A GOOD MEAL

AT THE

COFFEE SHOP

SPEED
SERVICE
SAFETY

WITH



ENJOY A COMFORTABLE REST

AT THE

BREATHVAL HOTTEL

FOR SHOPPING SATISFACTION



SHOP THE FAMILY WAY

AT THE

FAMILY STORE