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HOLIDAY GREETINGS  
TO ALL OUR READERS

# OUR BISHOP WRITES

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To all the Boys and Girls  
Beauval Village School  
Beauval, Sask.

My dear Little Ones,

In the Pas for only a day, I received, today, the "Beautiful Valley Echo", which I read from cover to cover and I can tell you that I enjoyed every page of it.

You love your school and your school loves you. By school, I mean here, those in charge of it; the Sisters and the Teachers. They work for you and with you and this is the greatest sign of love they could give you.

I am glad to see that you like going to school. Remember that this is the time when you sow. Later on you will reap, but only of what you have sown. I am proud to see that you have some in grade IX, like Alex Corrigan, Alice Maurice and Florence Buffin. I congratulate them and wish them well. They will be ready, next year, to go to higher grades in a College or a Convent, and I will be happy to see them through.

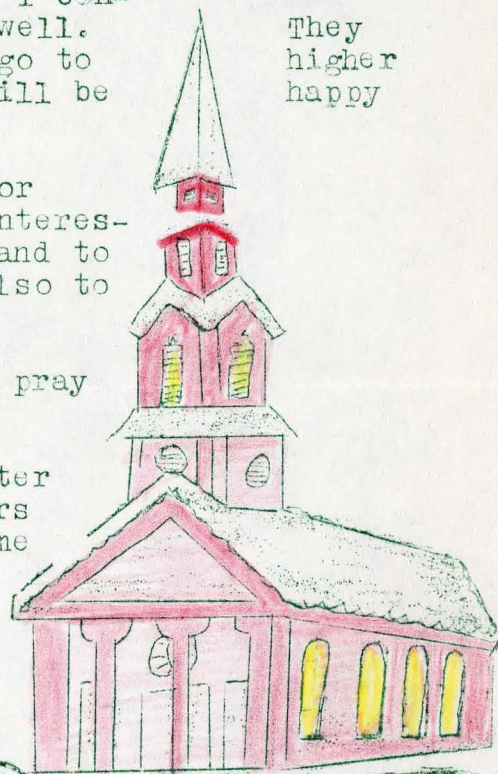
I still look ahead to next February or next March to go to Beauval. I will be interested to see the Sisters in their new home and to visit Father Rho in the Club House, but also to see you in your classrooms.

Before I leave you I will ask you to pray well for your Bishop. Your clear little voices are easily heard by God and by the Blessed Virgin Mary. You know it now, after you have prayed so well to keep the Sisters at the village. Pray that God will give me to work well for all the people in our fine Vicariate of Keewatin.

I bless you all and your dear teachers as well as all your parents. May you always be his little ones at all times.

Yours very lovingly in Our Lord and Mary Immaculate,

*Paul Desrosiers*  
Vicar Apostolic of Keewatin



# PREPARING for CHRISTMAS



Because all the men were going out fishing on the 25 of November, we had our BIG party on the 24 instead of the 27. Although it was held three ahead of time, the party turned out just wonderfully. It had been organized to raise funds to buy Christmas presents for the school children. There was something new and most exciting that night-- HORSE RACES. Was it ever thrilling to watch these tiny horses racing on the table track. Each horse was named after a real race horse and we could choose the one we liked best. Annette Maurice thought horse no. 2 was the best, for his name being LAZY BOY was a sign of good luck. Everybody enjoyed this game, even the little ones who shouted for joy as the winning horses drew nearer to the goal. The pie social was a success as usual; but the toffee..... Mm... It was "gobbled right down" in the space of a minute. We thank all those who contributed in one way or

another to our Christmas presents which we shall find under the tree on Christmas day.

Claire Laliberté G. VII

## RUSHED TO HOSPITAL

On October 24, after a few days of illness, I was rushed to the hospital at Ile a la Crosse by plane. I was so ill that I hardly knew what was going on until I found myself a patient at the hospital. I was there for a whole week. I thank the nurses and the girls for the good care they have taken of me. I enjoyed my week there.

Florence Buffin G. IX.

## ROAD GANG

The "Road Gang" has gone back South for the winter, to return in the spring. They have left their whole working "outfit" at Beauval. They have begun a new highway which crosses five miles south of the village, continuing to Buffalo Narrows. We are very proud of our Meadow Lake-Beauval highway. We wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our "Road Gang" friends.

Florence

## "TABLE" HOCKEY SET

Father Rho bought a lovely hockey set, exclusively for BOYS' It is very enjoyable because, by means of a key we can make each player move individually. After school we rush to Father's house to enjoy a game. The players are dressed in blue and red. Since we have no skating rink at the village, we enjoy playing hockey that way.

Raymond Anderson G. VI

## IT'S TOPS

Rev. Father Giard, principal at the Indian School, has purchased a new light green station wagon. It is a very beautiful car and a large one too. Nine persons can ride comfortably in it. I sure would like to ride in that wonderful car.

Tony Corrigan G. VI

# TIGER the grey-eyed CAT



Everybody knows and likes TIGER, Father Rho's yellow striped, grey-eyed kitten. Tiger is as fast as lightning and as sweet as a cat can be. It is a clever and naughty little kitten, jumping on our heads and running after our rags when we go and wash Father's floor. What Tiger likes best of all, besides playing with paper balls is to ride in Father's jacket hood. It cuddles nicely into the fur and enjoys seeing things from its high observation seat.... Tiger often takes an active part in Father's business by throwing pencils around, snapping papers from Father's hand or by sitting quietly on the writing paper. The kitten enjoys visiting the sisters' home, not for the foods he gets but to watch that beautiful little canary which is always locked up in its cage, much to Tiger's regret..... I wish I had a naughty little kitten like Tiger.

Simonne Laliberté G.VI.

## "MITTEN" CONTEST

We all joined the mitten contest in November and you should have heard the click click of the knitting needles whenever we had a spare moment, for sister had promised a prize to the girl who finished first. When a pair of mittens is finished, it is neatly hung on the bulletin board at the back of the class with the girl's name pinned on it. Antoinette Durocher and Josephine Alcrow were the first to finish theirs and they both got a prize. Some of the girls have not yet finished but they hope to do so this week as it is the "dead-line" for the contest. We all enjoyed that contest.

Alice Maurice G. IX

## VISITORS

Mr. René Lavoie, representative for the Credit Union Organization in the North paid a short visit to our school in November. His loving wife accompanied him by car from Prince Albert to Ile a la Crosse. She was visiting the north for the first time.

Mr. Don Neilson also stopped at school on his way back to Prince Albert He gave us a short talk on next year's garden project. We were all ears to hear about next spring's speech contest to which we will take an active part. Thanks to these interesting visitors.

René Durocher G. VI

## NEW PRINTING MACHINE

We now have a new printing machine for the publication of our school paper. We will no longer have to go to the Indian School to print our copies. The grade nine pupils have already learned how to operate the new Gestetner. Florence Buffin, our editor is responsible for most of the drawings on the paper this month. We thank Mr. Vaughn for the generous help he has given for this wonderful machine.

Margaret Hood G. VI

# GORETTI



On the feast of the Immaculate Conception we had the official opening of our Gor etti Club . In the afternoon the girls, wearing short white veils, gathered in the church before the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which was decorated with a crown of blue vigil lights and lovely bouquets of flowers. After the recitation of the rosary, I read an act of consecration to Mary in my name and in the name of all my companions.

Father Rho gave a short sermon during which he encouraged us to imitate the virtues of Maria Goretti, the little Italian lily of purity, and patron saint of our club. He advised us to recite the rosary every day to the intentions of those in the parish who stand in most need of prayer. After the ceremony we had a party at the Sisters' home. We played bingo at first and then we had fun playing Rachel and Jacob and a few other lively games. The sisters then served us a very delicious lunch. We wish to thank Father and the sisters for all they did for us on that beautiful day.

## BEAUVAL AS I SAW IT

Florence Buffin G. LX

I arrived at Beauval on Sept. 5, after a very exciting twenty-five mile trip from Fort Black in Father Rho's jeep. My first impression of Beauval was of its beautiful situation-- the tall, green pines and the pretty Beaver River, provide a lovely scenery for the little village. The autumns in the north, particularly form a striking picture.

Since my arrival here I have visited most of the nearby sites, and have become acquainted with most of the people, all of whom I find very friendly. I would like to mention particularly Father Rho and the Sisters who have given Miss Huber and myself every consideration and who have gone out of their way to make us happy. To them and to those who have helped to make us comfortable, I offer my sincere appreciation and thanks. May I take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Miss F. Coppock, teacher

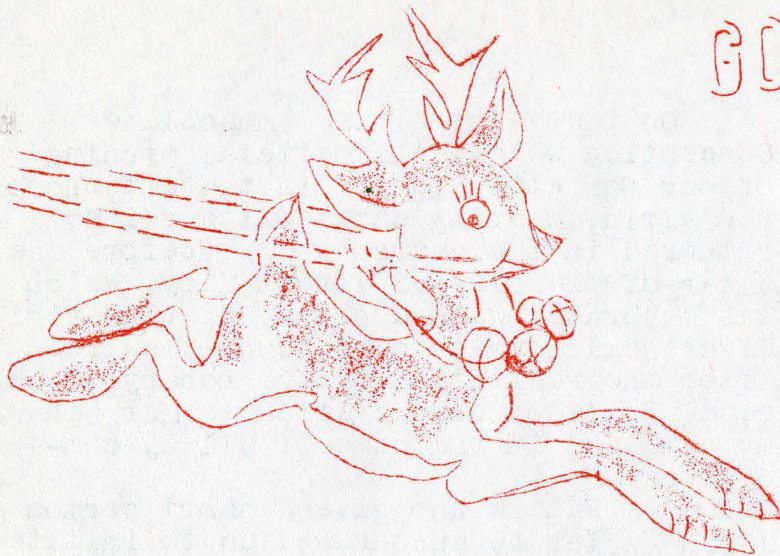
## MY LITTLE ONES

At the opening of school, the pupils and teachers were anxious to see each other to test their angel wings. My class of 41 ( grades 1 and 2) is now 38. No, it's not due to deaths as those of you who have met me may think: "Looks can be deceiving." My little ones have been in the past four months, displaying their various-colored angel wings. The big question is: "who can last the longest, teacher or us?" We're all going strong.

The slow, hard work of the pupils and the slowly gaining patience of the teacher are being rewarded. The eagerness of the small ones to please someone would give even the hardest heart, a stir. The new desks in the classroom are certainly much more comfortable than the three benches they had before. The poor, the good, the bright, the dull or even the bad; if they only try, that's all I ask; I'll do my best too.

Miss G. Huber

# GONE FISHING



Jingle, jingle, rang the sleigh bells when the fishermen left on November 24. On Sunday morning most of them came to low Mass as they were leaving early in the morning of that same day. Doré Lake and La Plonge Lake are the fishing centers again this year. A few men from Beauval have gone to Great Slave Lake too. Going out fishing is quite an exciting adventure for all of us. Our mothers busy themselves with the preparation of the lunch boxes, while we boys help our

dads with the fishing nets and everything that is needed for their long stay at the lake. Last year the fishermen often came home during week-ends, but this year there are no roads for trucks to Doré, so we must wait till Christmas to see our daddys. I hope they will be very lucky this winter although the weather is very cold.

Arthur Durocher G. VII

## SNOWMOBILE AND TRUCK GO THROUGH

How frightening it must be for the driver to see his car sliding under the ice while he barely has time to "run for his life." On November 30, Louis Durocher experienced this when his "snow bug" went through the ice on La Plonge Lake. There was half a ton of fish in the snowmobile. I believe if the fish had not been frozen dead they would have shouted: "Good-bye old Louis, we're swimming back home." A few days later they pulled it out of the ice again.

On December 11, one of Brander's Transport truck went through the ice on Ile a la Crosse Lake. The truck was loaded with merchandise for Buffalo Narrows. We offer our sympathy to both Mr. Sandherr and Mr. Mathieson for the loss which resulted from these two accidents.

Billy Hood G. VI

## NEW JANITOR

Mr. Philip Algrow, our former janitor who is now at the Prince Albert sanatorium, has been replaced by Mr. George Kimbley, a good and strong man. "Chochy" as he is commonly called, takes his new job very seriously. Although he has a watch, he depends entirely on the church bell to start the fire in the morning..... We like our new janitor.

Louise Maurice G. VII.

## WHO'S CALLING?

We have a telephone at school since October and it is very handy. Our phone number is "five rings", since there are only five phones in the village. When the phone rings five times we tell it to the teacher. Some of us are learning how to use the phone; it is a very enjoyable experience. The other day I called my teacher from the Sisters' home and I liked it very much. I hope some day we will all have the phone in our homes.

Marie Diana Durocher G.VII



Although the weather was very cold on December 21, our concert turned out quite well even if we do say it ourselves. The Little Ones were bearing with the Christmas spirit when they interpreted Welcome, Christmas Telephone, Christmas Tree, Jesus' Birthday and Good Night, in their clear and loving little voices. They also sang Away in a Manger very beautifully.

Miss Coppock's lively boys and girls were no less enthusiastic when they sang in perfect harmony "Silver Bells" and "Joy to the World". Their playlet entitled "Out of the Window and Down" was well rendered by our "actors-in-the-making", Armand Roy, the BEAU, Irene Laliberté, the cook, and the 4 old maids Rosa Sandherr, Lena Roy, Yvonne Durocher and Margaret R. Durocher. This delightful little comedy portrayed the futile efforts of four old maids, as each in turn tried to "trap" the enchanting Mr. Todd. We find in the end that the COOK is the one who wins his charms.

Then Brian Mathieson showed us how to shop at Christmas, while Florence Buffin and René Durocher each played a piano solo.... their first performance in public and a good one too.

Twelve senior girls, dressed in pastel-shaded organdie dresses, danced a scottische in a very graceful way. Who said there were no pretty girls at Beauval? The same BELLES then sang the beautiful Amaryllis chorus in parts, which was appreciated by all.

"Trouble in Santa Claus Land" was a playlet performed by the senior pupils. Mrs. Santa (Annette Maurice) decided that she would be the one to distribute the presents this year, but Jack (René Durocher), Santa's secretary, discovered her plan and outwitted her after which he left on the happy trip with Santa Claus (Arthur Durocher). Delia Gauthier, Antoinette Durocher Raymond Anderson, Tony Corrigal and Billy Hood were Santa's employees in Santa Claus Land.

We wish to thank all those who encouraged us by assisting at our concert. To each and all of them we wish a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year.

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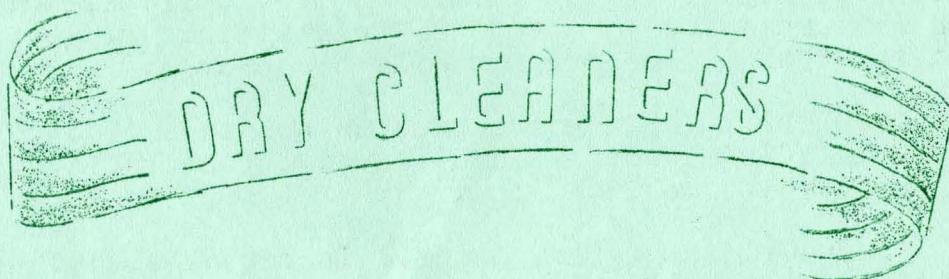
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Our kind Bishop, His Excellency Paul Dumouchel;  
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Waugh and Maureen;  
Mr. and Mrs. Don Neilson and Family;  
Rev. Sister A. Lachance, Superior at Saskatoon;  
Rev. Sisters Auréa and Simonne Mageau; Miss Josephine Waltz;  
Miss Laurette Faubert, Montreal;  
Misses Hermeline Corrigan, Alexina Laliberté and Madeleine Durocher;  
Johnny Mathieson, Mr. Philip Alcrow, Mrs. Lucia Roy, Joe Roy and to all those who have been kind to us in the past.

## I HEARD THIS

Says one lady to another: Next year will be a leap year.

Says the other lady: Well, don't be surprised if I have left after the New Year.

O Holy Night, the stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth



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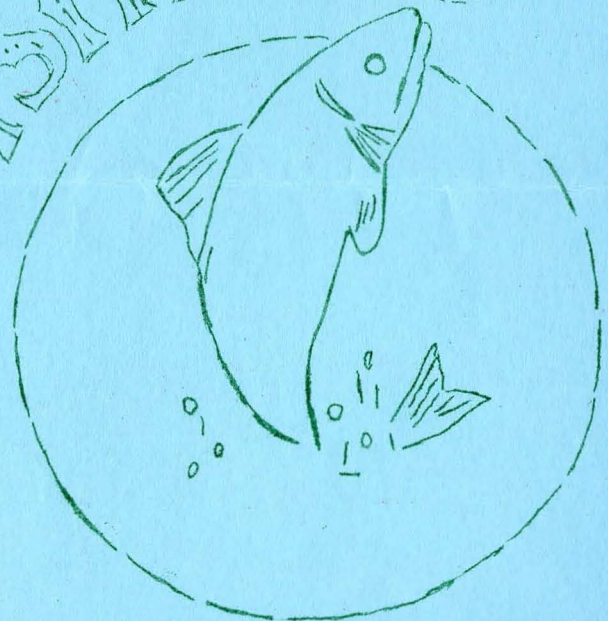
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