

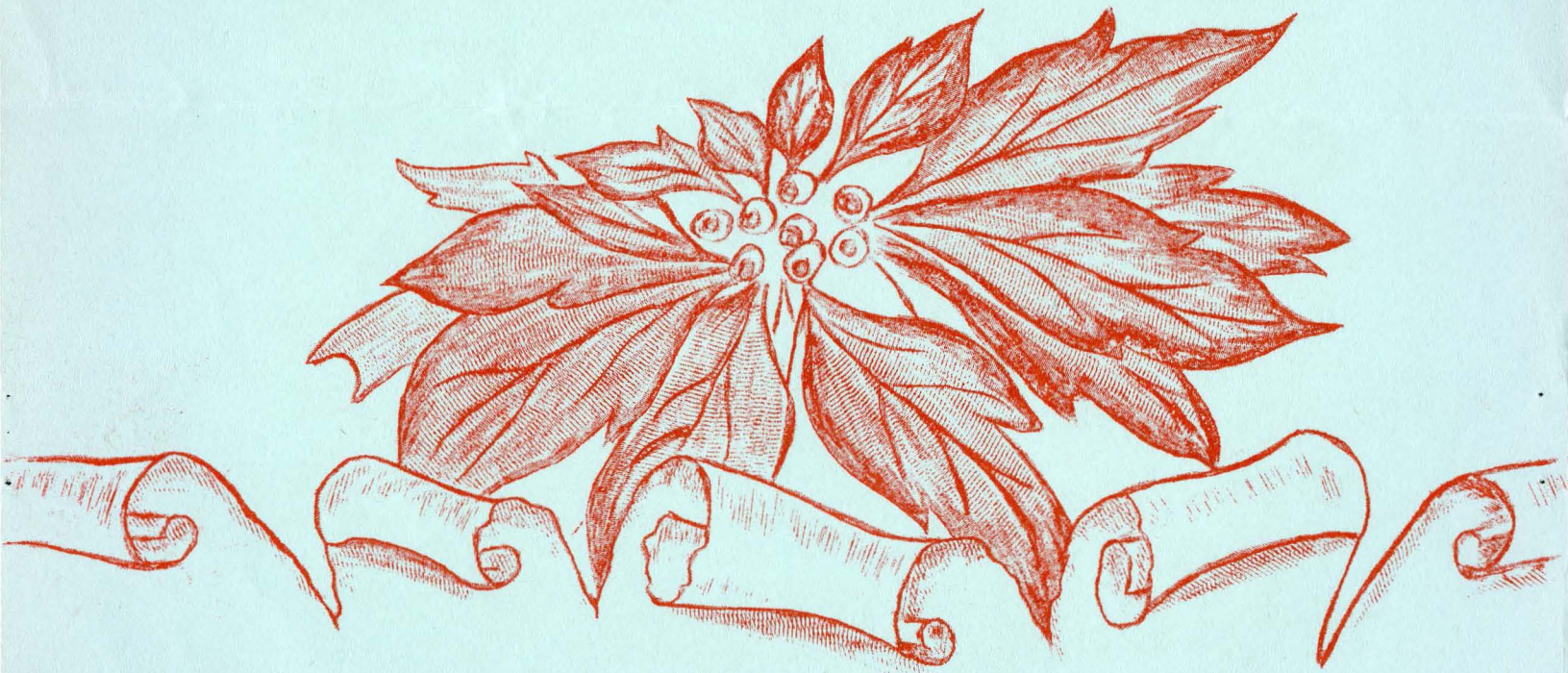
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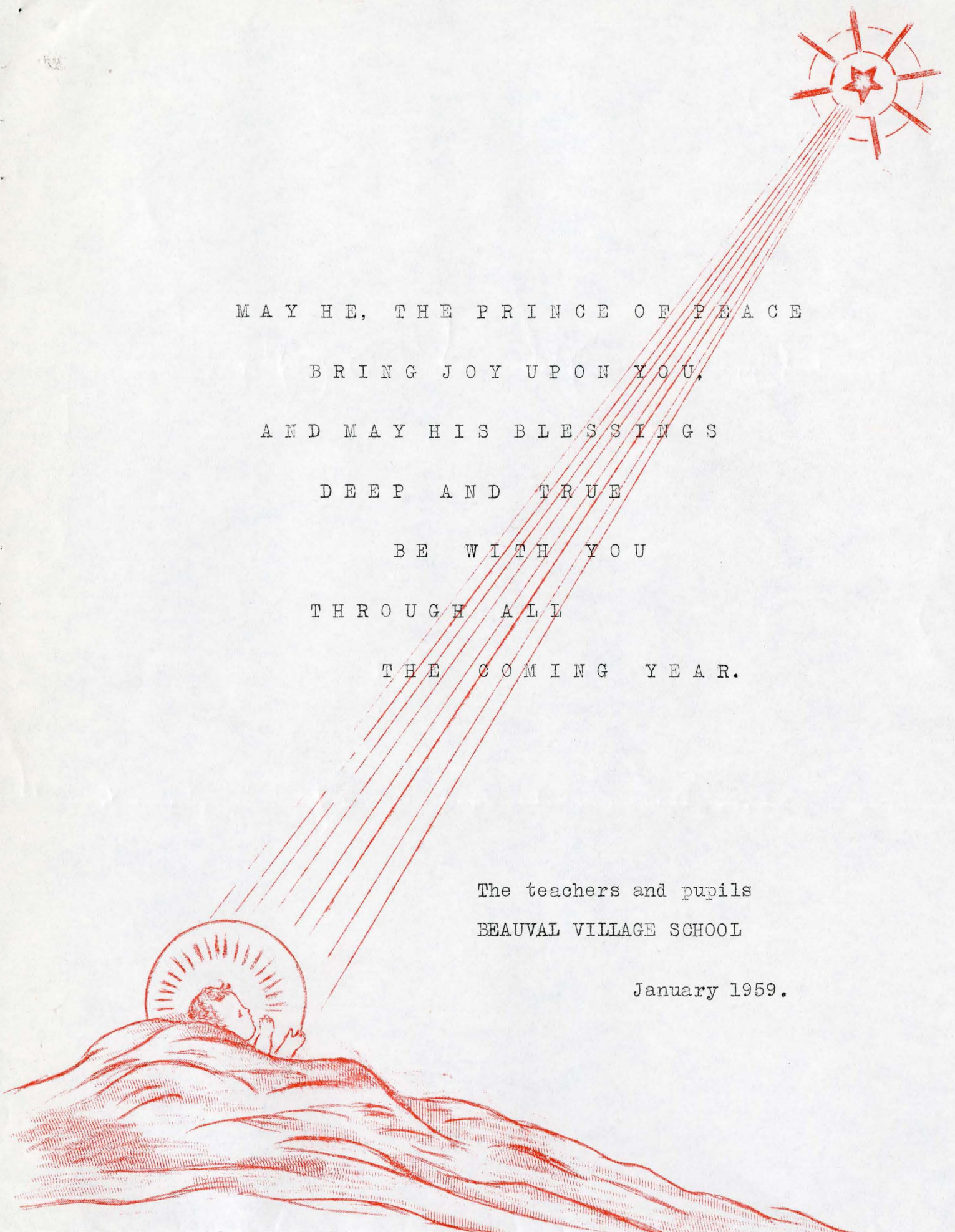


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MAY HE, THE PRINCE OF PEACE  
BRING JOY UPON YOU,  
AND MAY HIS BLESSINGS  
DEEP AND TRUE  
BE WITH YOU  
THROUGH ALL  
THE COMING YEAR.

The teachers and pupils  
BEAUVIL VILLAGE SCHOOL

January 1959.

# FATHER'S MESSAGE

L.J.C. et M.I.

Dear School Children:

Christmas Feast seems to be far back already, and, for many, altogether forgotten; though the Liturgy of the Church keeps on with it up to the second of February -- Feast of the Blessed Virgin's Purification, when, with her faithful husband, the brave Saint Joseph, she went to the Temple of Jerusalem, was purified though not under the law, and offered to God her gift -- two turtle-doves -- as requested by the Jewish law under God's dispensation. We should not forget so easy that Christmas Feast being mindful of its true meaning, and having, every day of

the year, ringing in our ears the peace promised to all men of good will. In fact every day of the year should, in the inner part of our soul, resound the happiness of Christmas Night.

And the New Year is on. This year also is a gift of God, blessed by Him to make us happy in his service. However if we judge by the start of this year -- what a storm!-- it is going to be tough. But even so, without being pessimists, let's not be dishearted; our trust is in God, so whatever he has in store for us will be for our own good, being his loving children.

The star seen by the Magi is still shining and it is our faith. Let's see to increase it daily, making it stronger and stronger against our enemies.

Children: - I was asked to write a few words in the "Beautiful Valley Echo", not to give a long sermon.

The most practical way to encourage you is not to discover your deficiencies or your lack of pep, for many, concerning your attitude toward the school and your learning; but to endeavor to give you the reasons why you should keep on with your duty by making those school years a real preparation for your future life, as it is our main concern. -- As Jesus, at Nazareth, obedient to His parents, "advanced in wisdom, age and grace before God and men"; so you should be, if only your eagerness is to, later on, give a tribute of your loyalty to God, your parents, your race and your country.

All teachers, educators and, most of all, the leaders of the Church of God, know what kind of a new generation of skilled men and women will be wanted in the near future to bear witness to the truth and to contribute to every one's welfare. Your watchword, Children should read: "We are preparing and will be ready" for action when leaving school. It remains true always that God calls every one to action. Up to you to give your answer and to respond to your vocation as determined by God Himself. So your answer and your entire life will constitute your happiness here on earth and above all in Heaven. How many are displeased with life, and cannot be happy. If ever they look back to their youth, they find out the reason in having lost the precious opportunity given them in their school years.

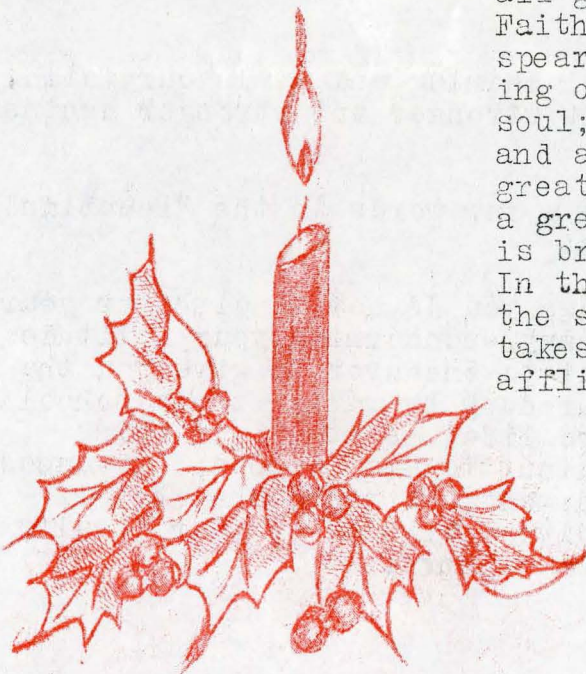
Hoping that in this second term of the year all of you will be at work for the very best of success, I bless you wishing you a very Happy New Year.

*A. Dwyer, Dec 1919*

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Faith makes all evil good to us, and all good better; unbelief makes all good evil, and all evil worse. Faith laughs at the shaking of the spear; unbelief trembles at the shaking of a leaf, unbelief starves the soul; faith finds food in famine, and a table in the wilderness. In the greatest danger, faith says, "I have a great God." When outward strength is broken, faith rests on the promises. In the midst of sorrow, faith draws the sting out of every trouble, and takes out the bitterness from every affliction.

Cecil.





# MIDNIGHT MASS

The Mid-Night Mass at Beauval on December 25th was celebrated by Reverend A. Chamberland, O.M.I., Principal at the Beauval Residential School. The sermon in English and Cree was given by Reverend Father Chamberland.

The church looked very beautiful as the Sisters had spent long hours fixing up the manger. It looked so real. There was the Blessed Mother kneeling over the Christ-Child in the manger while St. Joseph stood by watching

over them. There was white snow, and in the background was the little town of Bethlehem nestling in the dark branches of the Christmas trees which had been placed there. The shepherds were there also with their sheep, looking in awe and love upon the Infant Jesus, while over the whole scene angels watched over their Little Lord, protectingly and adoringly.

The altar was adorned in its festal apparel of golden satin, and bedecked with poinsettias.

The singing was very good also and the children were very well behaved. The church was well filled by people who had come to adore the Holy Babe. It was a very beautiful Mid-Night Mass.

Reverend N. Doyon, O.M.I. officiated at the three morning Masses.

I am sure that it was a Christmas everyone enjoyed immensely.

Eva Miller, Grade X.

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All hail, Eternal Child,  
Hail, Mary's little One!  
Sweet Babe of Bethlehem!

At last Thou art come, little Savior,  
And Thine Angels fill mid-night with song,  
Thou art come to us, gentle Creator,  
Whom thy creatures have sighed for so long.

(from: At Last Thou Art Come,  
Little Savior--Rev. F. W. Faber.)

## WELCOMED VISITORS AND GUESTS

Nov. 17.-- Rev. Mother Marie Laforce, s.g.m., Provincial Superior, accompanied by Rev. Sister Jeanne Laporte, Provincial Bursor, paid us a very 'brief' visit, on their way to the Beauval Residential School.

Dec. 10.-- Rev. Sister E. Morissette, s.g.m., (St. Albert, Alberta) spent a day in the Beautiful Valley.

Dec. 11.-- Rev. Sister J. Laporte made a short stop on her way to Saskatoon, taking Sister Morissette along.

Rev. Sisters I. Laramée, Superior, A. Beaudet and L. Mailloux, from the Beauval Residential School paid us a few hours' visit.

Dec. 17.-- Our good Neighbours from Ile à la Crosse were made welcome, Rev. Sisters: M. Lapierre, Y. Chapleau, R. Comeau, G. Dallaire, M. C. Gervais and Lewberg; from the Residential School, Rev. Sisters: I. Laramée, Sup., B. Lemire, Ang. Beaudet and E. Sawka.

Dec. 30.-- Rev. Sisters I. Laramée, Sup., B. Lemire, F. Gaudet, M. A. Boisvert, Angelina Beaudet, Eva Sawka, T. Langlois and T. Bouchard;

Jan. 2.-- Rev. Sisters I. and Antoinette Laramée and V. Violini from Ile a la Crosse, visited at the Convent.

Dec. 17-- Rev. J. Bourbonnais, O.M.I. and R. Rho, O.M.I., and Rev. Brother George, from Ile a la Crosse, Rev. A. Chamberland, O.M.I., Principal, and Rev. N. Guilloux, O.M.I., attended our Christmas Concert.

Dec. 21.-- Rev. Laurent Poirier, O.M.I., Provincial Superior, stopped in Beauval. Reverend Father Provincial addressed the congregation at High Mass. In the afternoon he left for Ile à la Crosse.

Jan. 2.-- The Reverend Fathers L. Poirier, O.M.I., A. Chamberland, P. Pioger, and Rev. Brothers A. Bélanger, and F. Lefebvre were Rev. Father Doyon's guests.

Jan. 5.-- Doctor M. Hoffman, from Ile à la Crosse paid us a short visit.

Jan. 10.-- Rev. A. Darche, O.M.I., and Rev. Brother George made a short call on Rev. Father N. Doyon. Father Darche was on his way to his new post -- Buffalo Narrows.

## MY CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

When our Christmas holidays began we had lots of fun skating on the river, we went way down to the second bridge near the Residential School. Then all of a sudden there was a big storm which covered the river with deep snow. We couldn't skate any more.

One day, Alex Corrigan got all the boys together and we decided to go to the Residential School and skate on the large rink. We all went across and sure enough we skated, but we had no hockey outfits, so we had to go without them. I was pushing my hockey stick in front of me when I wasn't looking my hockey stick went in a crack and broke right in two.

Alex Corrigan was a real good leader. He knows all the rules, as for myself I just about know them all. We continued to go every day until New Year's Day. With the stormy weather we discontinued to go and then Alex had to leave for College on January 7th.

Armand Roy, Gr. VIII.

# CONCERT



Ever happen to be around Beauval Village School when preparation for a concert was being made?

Sakes alive! You'd practically have to hustle yourself onto a shelf and sit quietly watching the buzz and excitement around you, as children ran here and there or an anxious teacher poked her head around the corner of a door calling

to a straggler to step lively.

Yes indeed, this was the typical description of what went on the few days before our Christmas Concert, here at Beauval.

Christmas was truly in the air as strains of joyous carols and sacred hymns could be heard emerging from the four corners of our school. Each class was preparing to present a number or two for our program and truthfully everyone fully did his share to contribute to the quality and texture of fine performance.

December 17th arrived quickly bringing with it all the tranquility and a peacefully falling white fleecy blanket as befitted a day; for our moment of great pride and joy arrived as we were to display our hidden talents in performance.

Our rehearsal was held in the afternoon, and we had invited the school children from the Beauval Indian Residential School across the Beaver River Valley. From the encores we received I believe they fully enjoyed what they had seen.

What really had us up a stump for awhile was our anxiety to see the results and reactions of our own Village people and visitors after they saw our play.

The curtain rose on a chorus of primary vocalists who gave a fine rendition of "Sing a Song to Santa Claus", I hope Santa listened to their song with an understanding ear. This number was followed by an outstanding three and four grader performance titled "Susan's Dream". Close on its heels turned up a delightful recitation by Grade Two. We then had the pleasure of hearing the high-toned clear baby voice of little Miss Linda Miller in a vocal solo of "St. Nicholas". I guess good old St. Nicholas was tickled to hear a delightful tune in his honor. Miss Holizki's pupils presented themselves in a version of nursery rhymes.

Finally, we the senior girls in school showed our acting talents in the presentation of a comedy called "The Discontented Sisters". I think the audience actually enjoyed the play to the end, considering the sudden bursts of laughter as the play proceeded. I guess we had two born comedians to begin with, namely Bridget (ROSA SANDHERR) and Dinah (ANTOINETTE ROSE DUROCHER), not to forget our supporting troupe of co-stars.

At our departure the Grades 5 and 6 managed to put in a lively tune called "The Twelve Days of Christmas". Again our stage was not left bare as the curtain parted giving us a view of merry faces and dashing pianists who performed like old maestros at that pint-sized organ. The merry faces turned out to be -- who else? but our tiny tots from Sister L. Belley's class. My what a talented little group of energy!

Gracious me! Who are those four young smiling-faced lads all decked out in costumes? Quiet please! I'm about to introduce Miss Brown's students who presented a humorous poem titled "The Prayer of Cyrus Brown".

Oh dear, I finished the last comments too fast again. The curtain rises and again we see the four lads standing before a solidly constructed jalopy in a song appropriately name "My Old Fliver".

And last but not least was the Christmas Pageant, a truly beautiful ending to a successful and delightful concert! Here the juniors and seniors commenced further to exhibit our arts by singing God's praises as cherub-faced primers reenacted the scene of Angels and the seniors the parts of shepherds and the Holy Family.

Lastly our devoted Pastor, Father Doyon, O.M.I., was called upon to say a few words to his parishioners which he did with enthusiasm. He was heartily applauded by the people.

Finally we sang the National Anthem and proceeded with inward joy to go home and rest after a joyous day's activity.

Antoinette Rose Durocher,  
Grade X.

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OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

We had a Christmas party in our room on December 18 at 1:30. The first thing we did was put the desks in a square. The first game we played was with the hula hoops.

Miss Brown, our teacher, brought two hula hoops to school. Miss Brown showed us how to do the hula hoop. We all laughed because it looked so funny. The best one was Gordon Laliberté. He did it around his waist. Robert Bouvier tried it around his neck and he did it very well.

Our second game was Vacation Trip contest. The winners were Donald Victoria, Aldina and Lena Malboeuf. All the losers had to sit down because they didn't have a good memory. When it was finished the losers had a tug of war. The other side won.

Miss Brown served lunch. We had hot dogs, cocoa, doughnuts, ice cream, apples and candy. When we were finished eating our teacher gave us each a Christmas card. When the party was finished we all went home.

Thérèse Roy, Grade 6.

(Christmas Parties were held in every room, December 18th. Our special THANKS go to Mr. N.J. Kirk, of Toledo, for his generous donation and to Sister Y. Matte for preparing the tasty snack!)



# SCHOOL

## SPECIAL SURPRISE



When school started on January 7th after our Christmas holidays, Sister Beaudoin gave us a surprise. She had a record and started playing on the gramophone. We listened very attentively and all of a sudden we heard Christmas Carols music, and then heard someone speaking. It was Sister Annette Mageau our former teacher, greeting us from Ottawa.

On her talk, Sister wished us a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. She asked us, boys, if we bought our hockey sticks this year, because last year, we made our own hockey sticks and broke them all on the same day.

Sister Mageau told us how the city looked to her before Christmas. She said she loved to see the decorations on the store windows and the Christmas lights on the streets. She also said she went to Toyland Town in a department store. She said there was a real Santa Claus there and the reindeer and toys. She said there was a toy train which went around on tracks. Many happy children were riding on it.

Sister gave us a view of the city of Ottawa and across the Ottawa River the city of Hull. She mentioned that she listened to the chimes which play from the Peace Tower.

She sent a special greeting to our good parents, then sang her favourite song, "White Christmas", which was very well sung.

We enjoyed the short talk and the song. We thank you, Sister Mageau for recording your good wishes for us.

René Durocher, Gr. X.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are pleased and honoured to have received greetings from His Excellency Bishop Paul Dumouchel, O.M.I., Vicar Apostolic of Keewatin, Very Reverend Mother Beatrice St. Louis, s.g.m. General Superior of the Grey Nuns of Montreal, Reverend Mother M. Laforce, Provincial Superior, St. Albert, Alberta, Reverend Father N. Doyon, our devoted Pastor and Reverend Sister Superior L. Belley, Miss Hazel Lawrence, Director of the Junior Red Cross.

## MR. CHURCH'S VISIT

November 21st. Mr. Ivan Church, Assistant to the Administrator of Education for Northern Areas, came to visit us at school. When we came to school that morning Mr. Church was waiting for us.

That same morning he gave us a show about Fire Prevention, which told us what to do in case of fire hazards and how to use the different types of fire extinguishers.

We all enjoyed the film very much and we would like to thank Mr. Church and let him know that we are all looking forward to his next visit to Beauval.

Rosa Sandherr, Grade VIII.

## JUNIOR HOMECRAFT SEWING

## Our Project

The eighteen junior girls of the 4-H Club are going to make pot holders, two tea towels, and an apron. First, we are making a set of pot holders. Miss Brown showed us how to do the outline stitch. Then we practiced on a piece of cloth. I am making a little pig. After we finish it we are going to put coloured material on the back and red bias tape around it.

Vivian Lariviere, Gr. 6.

## MAKING A SKIRT

## Senior Girls' Homecraft Work

The first step in making a skirt is to measure your waist. Then you start basting your pleats in the print. After this is done you sew the pleats down with the sewing machine. The next step is to baste the skirt seam. Then this must all be sewn with the machine. When this is finished you begin with the belt. First put a hem around the belt. After that is done baste the belt onto the skirt, and sew it with the sewing machine. Next remove all the basting stitches. All that is left now is the hem of the skirt which will be done by hand.

I hope you will read this article when you make your first skirt.

Antoinette Durocher.

## INVITATION TO THE CONCERT

On November 12 we received an invitation to the Concert from the Residential School, which we accepted gratefully. In the afternoon of the same day we were on our way to the school, having an enjoyable walk. When we arrived the Sisters treated us very kindly. The concert was for Father A. Chamberland's Feast Day, and I'm sure he was quite pleased with the children who really acted nicely on the stage. We enjoyed the concert from the beginning to the end. We sincerely thank the kind Sisters who invited us. We will never forget your kind invitation.

Simone Laliberté, Gr. X.



# WEDDING BELLS

November 17, wedding bells were ringing for Irene Laliberté and Armand Gauthier whose marriage took place in the little white church of Beauval. The beautiful day ended soon and in the evening a wedding dance was held at the "dance hall".

One week later Nov. 24, those beautiful wedding bells were merrily peeling again for Léon Hansen and Florence Buffin whose marriage also took place at the Village church. In the evening another dance was held at the same hall. I hope each new day brings much joy and happiness in the hearts of these newlyweds.

Simone Laliberté, Gr. X.

At CANOE LAKE church, November 24, Rev. R. Rho, O.M.I., blessed the nuptial vows of Clarisse Bouvier, daughter of Mr. Francis Bouvier (Beauval) and Athanase Iron (Canoe Lake).

Our best wishes of happiness are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Iron.

## NEW MAIL SERVICE SCHEDULE

With the beginning of the New Year, also began a new mail service schedule commencing the first week of January.

Mail will arrive in Beauval on Mondays and Thursdays and will take the outgoing mail on Tuesdays and Fridays. To us the people of Beauval this is a great improvement over the former schedule because mail arrives earlier in the week and important data leaves more quickly.

We wish to give thanks to Brander Transport for their good services and the change for the better in our weekly mail.

Antoinette Rose Durocher, Gr. X.

## HOLIDAYING AT BEAUVAL

From St. Thomas College, Battleford, Alex Corrigan and Olivier Kimbley spent their holidays at home.

Raphael Paul from Teachers' College spent a few days at the Residential School at Beauval after visiting his parents.

From Ile à la Crosse, Mrs. Adélaïde Gardiner and daughter Miss Margaret Gardiner visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Roy

Antoinette Durocher, Gr. X.



## CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the happy and proud parents and a hearty WELCOME to the new citizens of Beauval.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Bouvier, a daughter Gladys Bertha, Dec. 3, 1958;

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Martin, Gerald, Alvin, Dec. 14, 1958;

Mr. and Mrs. Athanase Alcrow, a boy, Jan. 15, 1959.

Mr. and Mrs. Frève, a daughter Marguerita Lauretta, Jan. 15, 1959.

## FISHING

Most of the men from Beauval have gone out fishing in the north. To Lake Athabaska went Louis Laliberté, Cyprien Corrigan, Michel Laliberté and Eugene Hood. Valmore Morin, Martin Gauthier, Michel Lafleur and Eugene Corrigan headed further to Great Slave Lake. John Roy, Alec Roy, Francis Bouvier, Archie Buffin, Joe Durocher and Marcel Bouvier went to Arsenault Lake. Our good wishes for a large catch.

Antoinette Durocher, Gr. X.

## SYMPATHY

On January 1st, 1959, Mr. William Hood suddenly passed away, at the age of 62. Mr. Hood died of a heart attack. He was visiting around that afternoon and when he went in to Mrs. Laliberté's house to wish them Happy New Year, he suffered a stroke.

Mr. Hood leaves a big family, his wife Ann Rose, and children: Eugene, Henry, Billy, Margaret, George, Isidore, Cecile, Vivian, Peter and the baby.

To Mrs. Hood and her family we send our kindest sympathy.

Yvonne Burnouf, Gr. IX.

Eugene Hood managed to get home to see his Father, before the burial ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Laliberté from Ile a la Crosse brought their comforting sympathy to Mrs. Hood and her children.

Leaves have their time to fall, and flowers to wither at the North-wind's breath, and stars to set --but all, thou hast all Seasons for thine own, O death!

Felicia Hemans.