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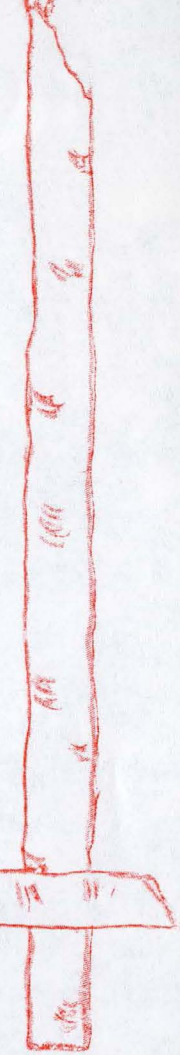
Greetings

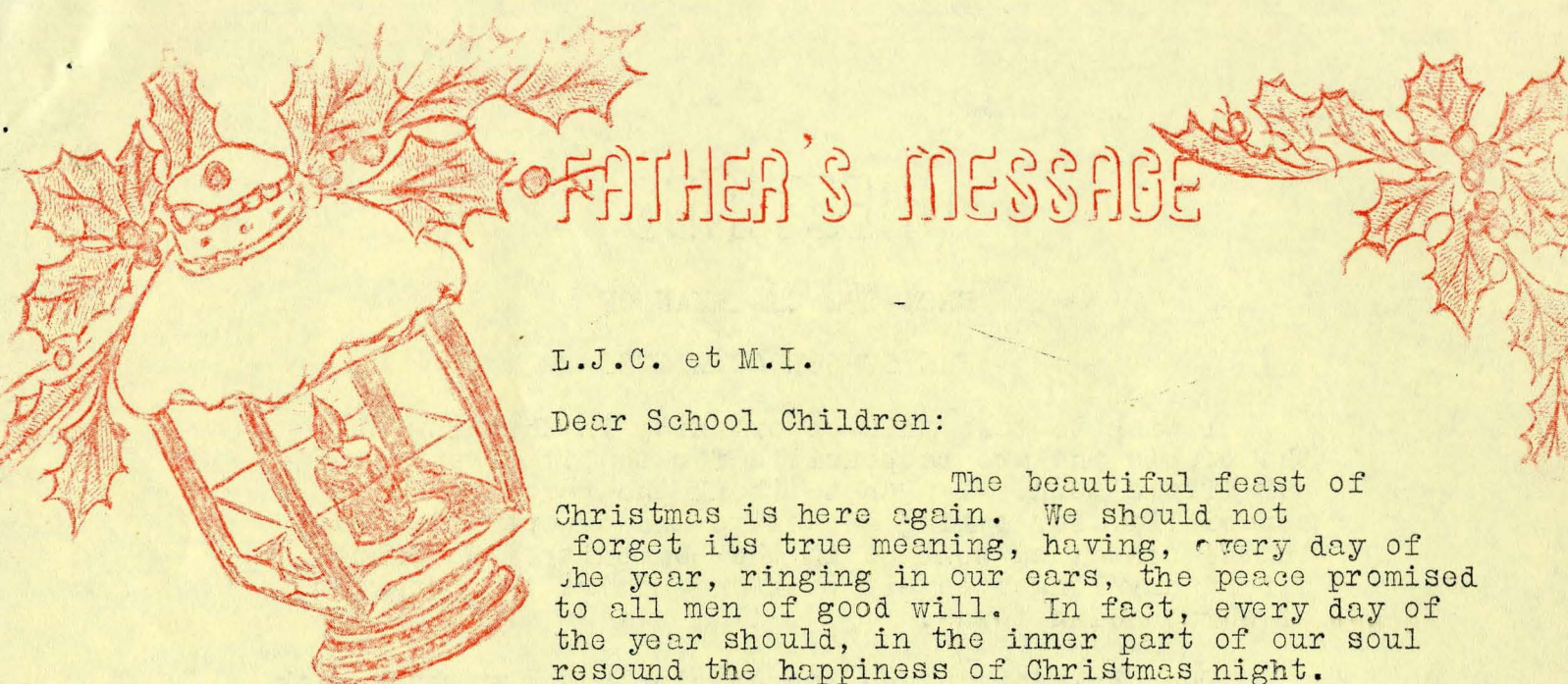


MAY THE STAR THAT
LED THE WISE MEN
AGAIN SHINE THROUGH
THE BLUE
AND BRING NEW FAITH
NEW HAPPINESS
TO THE HEARTS OF
YOURS AND YOU.



The Teachers and Pupils of
BEAUVAL VILLAGE SCHOOL
December 21, 1959.





FATHER'S MESSAGE

L.J.C. et M.I.

Dear School Children:

The beautiful feast of Christmas is here again. We should not forget its true meaning, 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.

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

Children: I was asked to write a few words in BEAUTIFUL VALLEY ECHO, and not to give you a long sermon.

The most practical way to encourage you is not to discover your deficiencies or your lack of pep, concerning your attitude toward school and study, but to endeavor to give you the reasons why you should keep on with your duty by making your school years a real preparation for your future life, as it is our main concern-- As Jesus of Nazareth, obedient to his parents advanced in wisdom, age and grace before God and men, so should you do, if only your eagerness is to give, later on, 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 needed in the near future to bear witness to the truth and to contribute to everyone'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 everyone to action. It is 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 Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

J. Doxon

GREETINGS

FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF
THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

I wish to take this opportunity in thanking all the people who are responsible for the improvement of our little town. I wish to thank the parents, especially, for taking an active and co-operative part in the school as well as in the community. We cannot afford any longer to sit back and admire the progress of surrounding towns.

The newly organized hockey club has come back with laurels from their first game out; our Christmas Concert has been second to none, and we are hoping that our Public Speakers will "recapture" the WAUGH SHIELD in the coming year. All these honors are very nice to claim, but without the help of our good Lord above, nothing is possible. Let us show our gratitude to Him by celebrating the great feast of Christmas just the way He wants us to.

I wish to say a special THANK YOU to Mr. Lindscog and his staff, for their good morals and efficiency in building our new modern school.

In concluding, and on behalf of the School Board, I would like to express our great joy for the return of our former Principal, Sister A. Mageau, who has come back to Beauval after having spent a year at the University of Ottawa.

A sincere Thank you also to Mr. Hendsbee for having chosen two talented young teachers for our school.

I wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Eugene Burnouf.



SCHOOL

The little white school opened wide its doors on September 8, when old familiar faces mingled with the newcomers to start another school year. All eyes were focussed on the new teachers, who are usually the center of attraction on the first day of school. Sister L. Belley resumed her duties in the grade one class; Mr. Wesley Dombroski from Stornaway, Saskatchewan took charge of the grade two and three classroom while Mr. Jutras from Prince Albert was assigned the grade 4, 5, and 6 classroom. Sister Mageau took charge of the senior class with grades 7, 8, 9 and 10. The enrolment in September was 115--- a very lively group, anxious to get to work. It is to be hoped that their enthusiasm will last till June.

OUR NEW SCHOOL

When we came back in September, a little pile of dirt on the north side of the school was all that indicated the emplacement of the new school. Excavations began early in October; then the building went up like magic. Mr. Lindskog and his men, worked long hours, until we could distinguish the shape and size of the new building. Two classrooms only will be finished this winter. We are hoping to move early in January.

We will have a laboratory in our new school; this will be very handy. The view from second floor is very picturesque..... yet, watch out.... if window peeping has its advantages, it also has its great disadvantages....

I made a miniature model of the new school for our basket social. It sold for \$14.00 and was bought by Mr. Emil Hanson. I was very proud of my basket.

We thank Mr. Hendsbee for giving us such a nice school and we will try to take good care of it.

Rénée Burnouf Gr. 9.

FIELD TRIP

Although it was somewhat chilly on October 28, we were convinced that it was a lovely day for a field trip, so away we went, first on the highway and then into a little lane that led to a nearby slough. Mr. Jutras and Mr. Dombroski took the opposite direction with their students. The boys as usual went way ahead, while the girls did their best to keep up with them.

We were to return at 3:00 o'clock; the girls did, but not the boys. When they arrived half an hour later, they carried kettlesfuls of leaves, birds' nests and so many other things. All at once someone saw a horse's jaw on a desk. One of the boys had picked it up. Some of the teeth were pulled out and an inspection followed. The boys were happy to show all their treasures to the class.

We all had a good laugh and decided to build a science shelf to store all our findings.

Rosa Sandherr Gr. 8.

ACHIEVEMENT DAY Sept 15



"Mr. Neilson and Mr. Brack have arrived" accompanied the usual "good morning" on Sept. 15. We were all ready for a perfect and busy day.

After having introduced Mr. Brack from the Extension Dept. of the University of Saskatchewan, who was to judge the vegetables,

Mr. Neilson started giving the true-false tests while another group went to the hall with Mr. Brack to judge a few potato samples.

In the afternoon Mr. Neilson and Mr. Brack were very busy counting the marks, finding averages and preparing the prizes. How we longed to find out who would be the lucky winners, for both the vegetable and potato displays were fine.

The hours finally slipped by and at 7:00 p.m. we all gathered at the community hall for the climax of the day. Oliver Kimbley, chairman of the Boys' Potato Club, opened the meeting, which he soon handed over to the judges. Simonne Laliberté came first; Yvonne Burnouf, second and Lena Roy, third.

Réné Durocher surprised everyone by taking first prize, with Lawrence Fiedler second, and Théodore Laliberté third.

Antoinette Laliberté was given a special prize because an ill-bred horse walked boldly into her garden and feasted upon her prize vegetables. Mr. Brack suggested that the horse should appear on the stage to put all "running around" horses to shame.

A delicious lunch was served at the close of the events. Special thanks are offered to our teachers and also to

Mr. Neilson and Mr. Brack.

Yvonne Burnouf Gr. 10

VISITORS

The Reverend Mother St. Louis, Superior General of the Grey Nuns in Montreal, visited the Sisters at the convent in late September. In the afternoon she came to school, accompanied by her assistant, Rev. Mother Huntington. She showed vivid interest in all our school activities and we liked her from the start. Before leaving she gave each pupil a little souvenir. We thanked her most sincerely and prayed that her long trip throughout Canada would be a pleasant one.

Lena Roy Gr. 8.

OUR BISHOP COMES TO BEAUVAL

Whether it rains or shines we are always happy to welcome our dear Bishop Dumouchel at Beauval.

At the end of October he paid us a short but interesting visit at school. After a few words of encouragement, he visited the other classrooms where he met our two new teachers, Mr. Jutras and Mr. Dombroski.

We are looking forward to a longer visit from His Excellency during the summer holidays. Till then we will remember him in our daily prayers

Yvonne Durocher Gr. 8

SOFT BALL

We organized our soft ball team last fall. We played a game against the Residential School boys but they beat us. One afternoon we were to play another game against the big boys but they didn't turn out so we played against the girls and again they beat us, but this was because the two teachers were playing for them. Our new teachers are good sports; they can pitch curves.

George Hood Gr. 7

WATCH THAT GRAMMAR:
"The girls were BITING hard to beat us."



SKATING RINK

For ten long years we have longed to have a skating rink at Beauval Village, yet one little word has actualized this wonderful dream: CO-OPERATION. If you wish to know the meaning of that word, just look at our skating rink and it will give you the answer.

We are now at the Eve of the New Year, and Beauval Village has a skating rink of its own. No longer do you see children running to the river to clear a bit of ice for skating; no longer do you see others sneaking to the Indian School to risk a few minutes of skating while the inmates are busy. Today small boys and girls, as well as older ones, and even grown-ups can enjoy the thrill of skating right at home.

How did it all happen? We needed a leader, and he is now here after many long years of patient waiting. This dynamic organizer is Mr. Larry Landry. He got in touch with Mr. Neilly, D.N.R. from Ile a la Crosse, called a meeting and before we could realize it, we had a skating rink. And believe me, the people of Beauval deserve congratulations for their splendid spirit of co-operation.

A BINGO was soon organized and the outstanding sum of \$263.00 was raised to meet some of the expenses. Three weeks later, an Amateur Hour with basket social brought in another

outstanding sum of \$251.00. To this let us add a SHOW which brought in \$46.00 and some voluntary contributions; all of which gave the grand total of \$634.00. So you see that the word CO-OPERATION has a place of honor here. When one realizes that the settlement has a population of 500, one admires the family spirit which is found at Beauval.

The government, through their Recreational Program, gave us a grant of \$500.00, so we now face a one thousand dollar project. Is that not co-operation?

We are all aware that it will cost more than that amount to complete the project, but we are not worried for we know that we can always count on everyone in the community.

A BIG THANK YOU goes to everyone in the village, to our Pastor, Rev. Father Doyon, to the sisters, to the teachers, and to all those who have helped in one way or another, in getting the whole thing "popped up." Special thanks are offered to Mr Landry, who, by long hours of overtime, has made possible this gigantic project. The future will prove that it was a worthwhile undertaking.

People of Beauval, you should be proud of yourselves; you are not without faults, but no one can deny that you have a good heart. Let us keep in mind this motto: A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY. Let us look ahead with confidence. The future promises us success academically, physically and socially.

Oliver Kimbley
Chairman of the 4-H Club.

BEAUVAL VILLAGE CHAMPS

I was told that an effective slogan, very popular during the war was: GIVE US THE TOOLS, WE'LL FINISH THE JOB. I believe this thought could well be applied to Beauval Village.

Last October there were rumors that we would have a skating rink with a board fence, lines, and

electric lights. Many people thought this was impossible, but today, tell me what magic flute played the right tune to announce the reality of these rumors, for we DO have a skating rink with boards, colored lines and electric lights, and besides, we have a very comfortable building right next to the skating rink where the skaters and hockey players can lace on their skates and warm up to their heart's content.

However, our project is still in the making; we still need the equipment for hockey, but "Paris was not built in one day", so when we received the invitation to play against the Beauval Indian Residential School, we could not refuse. Many of the players were pessimistic, but strange enough, I had a feeling that it would be a good game, and I was not disappointed.

After one hour of practice only, the night before the game, the village boys managed to muster enough strength and energy to get the best of our strong opponents, and believe it or not, we won the game by a score of twelve to ten. Our boys played like real champs. To beat Beauval Indian Residential School players, is not an easy task; records of the past are there to prove it. Of course this game included all possible reserves--- old men, middle-aged men and young, fast skaters. Our goalie, for example, was a sound forty-one year old fellow, with no gray hair yet.

In concluding may I add that Beauval is now on the map, with more surprises to come. Watch closely and in the near future, you will find out that our team will be hard to beat. If anyone is interested in challenging our team, he is welcome to it.

Lawrence Landry.

IN SYMPATHY

On October 24, Mrs. Mary Laliberté, mother of Caroline Laliberté, quietly passed away, at her daughter's home in the village. Many friends and relatives went to offer prayers for the repose of her soul.

We offer our sincere sympathy to her daughter Caroline and to all her relatives at Beauval.

SILENT NIGHT! HOLY NIGHT

Noel is a day of happiness, a day of rejoicing. We all know and feel why Christ was born. Could it be that some of us do not understand these words the right way? Could it be that some of us are a little too ignorant occasionally? Let us place the cards on the table and face the music that is being played

When angels announced that a Redeemer was born, no one could conceal the happiness, the unlimited manifestations of joy it would cause but Noel is a holy day; Noel is the day of gratitude toward God for having sent His Son to redeem us. It cannot be a day of excitement and folly, when only human feelings can be shown.

We all have a sense of humor, and we all can express ourselves correctly on certain occasions, but this day of Noel deserves a special behavior. Let us not corrupt the words of the Gospel, by interpreting the glory of God, the Nativity of Christ, by uncontrolled manifestations of joy.

Let us rejoice; let us get together; let us feast together, but let us first make a good offering of the day. When the soul is happy, it is permitted for the body to rejoice, and if well understood, the body will follow the movements of the soul. We are all human beings, inclined to faults, mistakes and misunderstandings, but if we try, but if we try, we can avoid many hours of distress.

Let us make our Christmas a Christian one. After all, we have enough knowledge of our religion to understand that true happiness is not found in foolish meetings and gatherings.

If our conduct is good, the Christ Child will bring us what is due to us. He will help us in all our needs. He is a very intelligent Boy, with a divine Heart; He is God. Let us all sing together at Christmas SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT
L. Landry.



AMATEUR HOUR

"Waterloo, Waterloo;" a number of voices could be heard humming this tune as they gaily walked out of the noisy hall on November 27. Were they satisfied with the evening's entertainment? By the looks of things, they certainly were!

The evening had been a real success. A large crowd had turned in and the receipts were far beyond our expectations. This was the second fund-raising party for our new skating rink to which the villagers had responded most generously.

The programme was underway by 7:30 with sixteen entries on the list. After contestant had displayed his or her talent, Alex Corrigan and Armand Roy came first with their interpretation of the BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS. The second prize went to Valmore Corrigan, contestant number 17, who sang Johnny Cash's famous hit song, HOME OF THE BLUES.

After the last request had been heard, Ambrose Durocher, in spite of a bad cold and sore throat, called out the baskets. There were some of every shape and size. The highest basket was raised to \$17.00 and belonged to Yvonne Burnouf. It was a beautiful doll, dressed in pale blue satin frills.

"Waterloo, Waterloo," could still be heard, when one walked home that night. Rumors predict another Amateur Hour for Valentine's Day. Let's hope it will be as interesting as this last one.

Some people worthy of mention and to be thanked for the success of this evening are Sister A. Mageau, who organized the programme; Mr. Larry Landry, outstanding master of ceremonies, and Mr. Ambrose Durocher, the auctioneer. All the ladies who made those wonderful and colorful baskets also deserve congratulations. What about the men who bought them? I think they too, deserve a mention here, and it is my privilege to thank them all.

Oliver Kimbley Gr. 10.

WEDDING GAUTHIER-DUROCHER

Wedding bells rang merrily in September for Martin Gauthier and Marie Diana Durocher, two former pupils of Beauval Village School. A large crowd attended the marriage ceremony at the little village church. The wedding celebrations were held at the home of Mrs. Marie Rose Gauthier, and all the guests agree that the meals were delicious and plentiful. The traditional gun shots, messengers of happiness, were heard in the stillness of the morning. A dance was held at night at the home of Mrs. Hood. May the happiness of this unforgettable day be continued to both until "death does them part."

Evelyn Laliberté Gr. 7.



BINGO

On October twenty-third, we had a fund-raising BINGO for our new skating rink. We all did our best to co-operate, each doing his little bit for the success of this party.

The programme included a CASH BINGO, a fish pond and a raffle. I'm sure the people were anxious to play BINGO, because the tables were always filled.

The fish pond attracted the younger generation. The fish bit "like mad" but the pond was too small, so that the anxious fishermen had to sit and wait for their turn to throw the line. Nevertheless, it was fun to unwrap the mysterious fish.....

Then came the pie social. The girls in the 4-H Club did their best to bring a delicious pie which sold for a good price. One girl who deserves special mention here is Yvonne Burnouf, who brought a tasty layer cake which sold for \$8.25.

Last but not least came the raffle. The prizes were: A BASKET OF FOOD from the Family Store; an ALL-WOOL BLANKET from the BAY, a MEDICINE CABINET donated by Mr. Eugene Burnouf and a SCHOOL BINDER, given by Sister Superior. The first lucky winner was Yvonne Durocher, grade eight; she chose the basket of food. Victor Rediron, a little grade one boy, came second and took the Hudson Bay blanket. Mr. Dombroski's class chose the medicine cabinet and Mrs. Elmire Alcrow, the school binder. Margaret Hood got the booby prize.

It was a nice party from beginning to end. All those who co-operated in one way or another deserve congratulations. We wish to thank in a special way, those who gave the expensive gifts for the raffle.

Simonne Laliberté Gr. 10

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Five new little citizens have arrived to stay at Beauval. They are: Clarence and Phil Morin, twin brothers born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morin on October 16. The next day one of them died. Valerie Pearl Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Léon Hanson, born on Oct. 6. Marlene Roy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Théodore Roy on July 31. Grace Verna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Durocher, born on Sept. 17. Betty Emily Laliberté, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jules Laliberté on October 24.

Congratulations to the happy parents.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Florence Hanson is leaving for the Prince Albert Sanatorium. Our best wishes for a prompt recovery accompany you Florence, and may you soon return in the best of health.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT



I think it is more fun preparing a concert than actually performing it on the stage. I wonder if our teachers would agree with this statement.

There were fifteen numbers on our Christmas Programme, all of which, to my estimation, were very interesting. The posters announced that December 17 would be the date of performance. On December 16, in the afternoon, we invited the teachers and pupils of the Residential School to the rehearsal, where the actors, in "full costume", performed before a very attentive audience. The next evening, saw another interesting group: our parents and friends, including two distinguished guests from Ile a la Crosse: Rev. Fathers Bourbonnais and Rho.

The opening number rang out with a lively duet, played by our young pianists-to-be, Donald and Shirley Corrigan. Other tiny pianists entertained the audience during the intermissions. Then the grades four, five and six class sang a very pretty chorus: WHEN YOU'RE AWAY FROM HOME, composed by Mr. Jutras' father, a prominent musician in Prince Albert.

The little grade one pupils hurried through their sleigh ride JINGLE BELLS before the curtains opened before a royal palace, where Oliver Kimbley, the leading actor, interpreted Herod's role with ease and dignity. Yvonne Burnouf played Herodiad's part, while Rénée Burnouf gracefully danced the part of Salome. The three Kings' local names were, René Durocher, Norman Bonneau and Lawrence Fiedler. The final tableau, representing the Crib, the angels and shepherds was very picturesque.

Mr. Jutras' class sang the very lively DECK THE HALLS, after which the Senior girls sang SNOW, followed by the SKATER'S WALTZ. Mr. Dombroski's lively little square dancers thrilled the audience with their merry swinging and "high-stepping."

PUMPKINVILLE CHRISTMAS CONCERT, a comedy by the grade 4,5, and 6 class, stole the show, as it displayed Miss Samantha's (a country school teacher) headaches in putting on a Christmas Concert.

The "home by the fire" comments that evening, proved that our concert had been a success.

Réné Durocher Gr. 10

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

On October 29, we had a party of our own at school. All the girls made a pic, which gave them a free ticket at the door. Each boy was given a number which corresponded to a number placed on the girl's pic. He then lunched with that girl.

We played lively games, guessed riddles and acted little skits. Although the classroom was a bit crowded, we enjoyed the evening very much.

Therese Roy Gr. 7.

INVITATION TO A CONCERT

On November 6, we gratefully accepted an invitation to a concert at the Indian School, our next door neighbours. We arrived there after a two-mile walk in the fresh, brisk wintry air. All the numbers on the programme were very interesting. I liked the two short comedies; Humpty Dumpty; the Vegetable Parade, the Square Dance, the Old Folks' Drill and all the other numbers. But the one I enjoyed most was the Gypsy Dance.

We thank the teachers and pupils for that very enjoyable afternoon and we hope they have enjoyed our Christmas Concert too.

Vivan Lariviere G. 7

VISITORS

The first welcomed visitors to our school in September were Mr. Neilson and Mr. Brack. They were present for the first event of the school year: the Achievement Day.

In mid-October Mr. Hendsbee, our devoted Administrator and Mr. Church, his assistant, paid a short visit to school. We are looking forward to Mr. Hendsbee's presence at the opening of our new school in January.

Father Rho, our former pastor, drove into the village in a streamlined, light fawn car early in October. He was accompanied by Brother Loranger from the Fair Ile.

Doctor and Mrs. Hoffmann came for the Polio clinic in mid-November. Miss Josephine Waltz and Mr. Neely D.N.R. from Ile a la Crosse assisted at our BINGO in October.

Mr. Bray, new 4-H assistant to Mr. Neilson, knocked at our wee, wee door in November. We were very happy to meet our new 4-H helper.

Sisters A. Laramée, A. Potvin, Belliveau, Superior, Labbé, Lapierre, Laroche, have all paid a short visit to Beauval since last Spetember. To all we say WELCOME and COME AGAIN

Yvonne Burnouf G. 10.



SKATING PARTY AND CANDY TOO!

The last day of school, December eighteenth, was both a joyful and eventful day. In the afternoon all the children raced to the rink for a skating party. The boys played hockey for a while, but suddenly something happened. Santa Claus appeared "incognito." He stopped his car by the rink and, wearing his ordinary clothes, came out with a big box of oranges, candy and balloons. Do you know who he was? Mr. Eugene Burnouf, chairman of our school committee. Then there was no more hockey, no more skating, but all dashed into the cabin for a good treat.

Then all the children, big and small got on the ice and the fun began. They enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.

Special thanks go to Mr. Burnouf for his very special and pleasant surprise. We also thank Mr. Landry for sending the balloons.

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him."

Matt. 2:11

Peace on earth to men
of good will.



THOSE DEAR HEARTS

AND GENEROUS PEOPLE

Christmas may rightly be called the feast of gratitude. After thanking God for the great gift of His Divine son to save all mankind, we turn our thoughts to those "dear hearts and generous people", who, "happier to give than to receive", sent gifts, clothing and donations to our school. Each and everyone of these good souls, has contributed to the happiness and comfort of our dear students at Christmas.

From Toledo, Ohio, we have received generous donations from Mr. Norman and Robert Kirk; Mr. Gladioux, Mr. John and A.M. Donofrio, Mr. James Ward, and Mr. Francis Gallagher.

From Alberta and B.C. have arrived boxes of toys, clothing etc... sent to Sister Superior L. Belley by Mr. Janvier and Simon Baily, Mr. Nap. Belley and Mrs. Hnatyshyn.

From Montréal, boxes of clothing and "goodies", sent by Rev. Mother Trottier and Sister Matte's family.

Toys from the Junior Red Cross in Regina.

Gifts from Mr. Pete Fiedler, Oregon, Mr. Joe Carrier, Calgary; Mrs. Ross, Sylvan Lake and Sister Superior Simonne Mageau, Biggar.

To all these kind hearts and gentle people we repeat:

THANK YOU and

A little Christmas prayer
Straight from the heart to say
May happiness and peace
Bring joy to you this day.

The Sisters and Pupils
of Beauval Village School.

CONGRATULATIONS

At the end of June 1959, Rev. Sister C. Beaudoin left for the University of Ottawa, after having been granted Sabbatical Leave by the Dept. of Education in Regina.

Sister Beaudoin had replaced Sister Mageau as Principal of our school for a year, where her competence and devotedness are still remembered with gratitude.

We congratulate Sister Beaudoin and wish her the best of success in her year of study. Don't miss any occasion of visiting the city of Ottawa, Sister, for our capital city nestles many spots of national interest. May the Divine Babe of Bethlehem bless you at Christmas and all through the New Year.

SERIOUSLY BURNT

While lighting the stove fire with kerosene, Annette Laliberté was victim of an explosion which resulted in a very painful burn. She was first transported to the hospital; then to the University hospital at Saskatoon where we hope, she will soon recover.

May your Christmas, ^{MERRY} dear Annette. The folks and friends at home are praying for your prompt recovery.

Your school Friends.