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A WORD FROM the PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we at Assiniboia bring you this edition of our "Highlights." This school publication is just one of the many ways by which we hope to give our students experience and teach them to accept responsibilities. Our Indian people are being spot lighted more and more each year. The public is being informed and misinformed about different aspects of Indian life. As time goes on there is going to be an ever increasing demand for leadership and much of this training will be obtained in school. It is therefore very important that you, as parents, encourage your children to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered them. Their success at school will be the best indicator of their future success in life. It is your duty therefore, to encourage and even to reprimand when this is needed. Future leaders must learn to give and take to accept the bitter with the sweet.

Our wish to you for this Festive Season is that you may all enjoy a most Merry Christmas Season and may 1966 be a year of progress, peace and prosperity for our Indian people.

L. A. Leroux
Senior Teacher

STAFF

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Rev. Fr. L. Leroux.....Senior Teacher

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Sr. B. Brisebois S.G.M. .....Teacher
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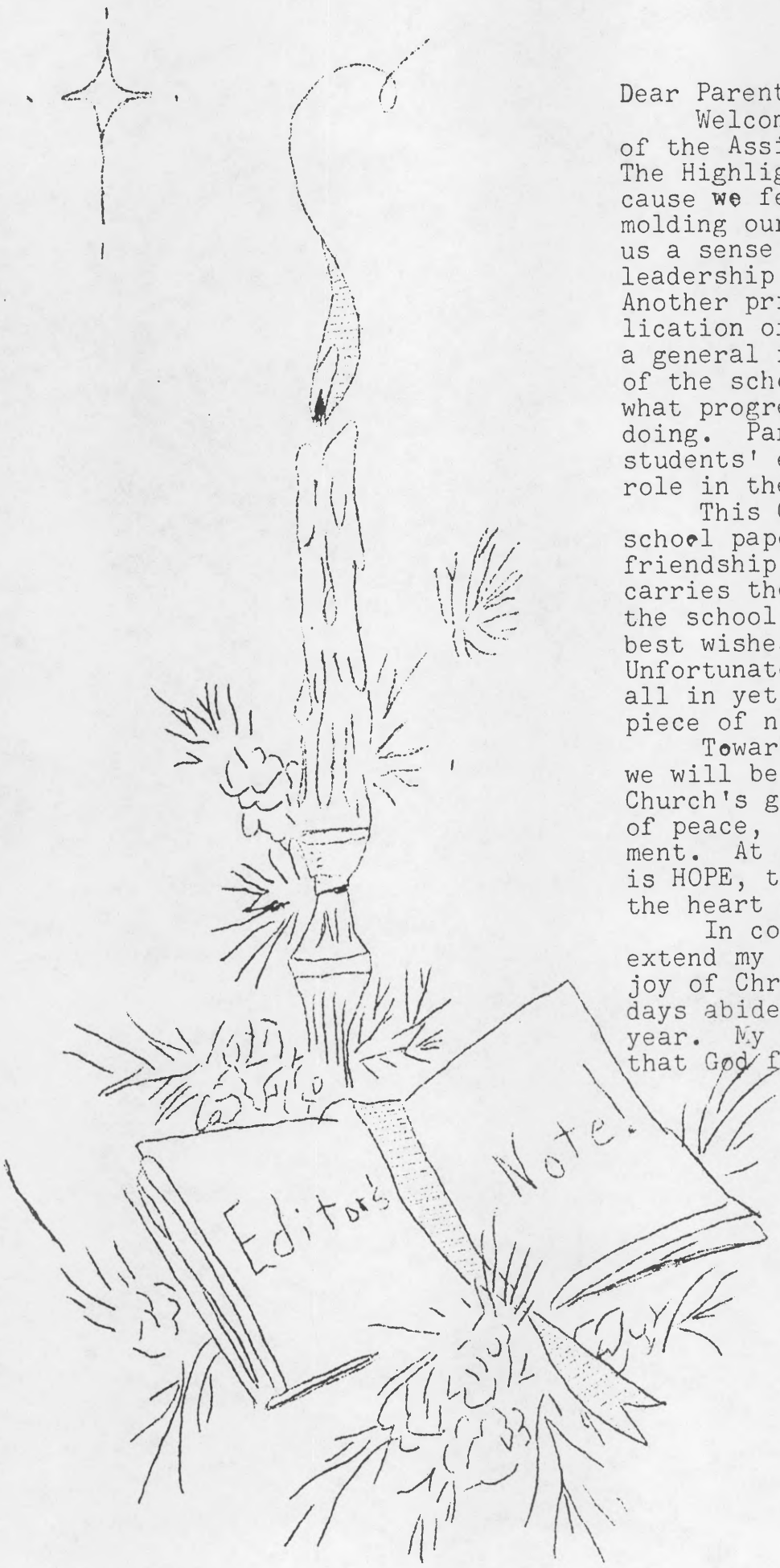

Dear Parents and Readers:

Welcome to our first issue of the Assiniboia Highlights. The Highlights is published because we feel it has a role in molding our characters. It gives us a sense of responsibility and leadership as to future leaders. Another prime factor for the publication of this paper is to give a general idea of the activities of the school. Parents will know what progress their offspring are doing. Parents' encouragement and students' effort lead an important role in the success of a student.

This Christmas accept this school paper as a token of our friendship. This gift not only carries the latest activities of the school, but with it goes our best wishes of choisiest blessings. Unfortunately, our marks are not all in yet, so there goes a good piece of news!

Towards the end of this month, we will be celebrating one of the Church's greatest feasts; a time of peace, gladness, and contentment. At Christmas the gladness is HOPE, the spirit is PEACE, and the heart is LOVE.

In conclusion I would like to extend my best wishes of peace and joy of Christmas and may happier days abide your way in the coming year. My best wishes would be that God fulfill your every Christmas prayer.

The Editor

Robert Voule

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Dear Readers:

Welcome to our first edition of Assiniboia Highlights. I am here to bring you up to date with the happenings at Assiniboia High.

On September 1, 1965 Assiniboia School reopened for another school year. Approximately 130 students enrolled on the first day. This number increased as the stragglers arrived. This year there is no grade nine just Grades X, Xl, and Xll.

The staff and students assembled for the first meeting on September 3, 1965. Father Leroux introduced the members of the staff to the students. There is one new member, namely, Mr. M. Tataryn, formly principal of Pine Falls, now teaching Grade Xl and Xll Chemistry, and grade X Mathematics and Science.

September 6, 1965. Labor Day to-day but the students did not labor as they had a holiday. A picnic was planned but rain made it an impossibility, however, the pupils enjoyed generous servings of beans, indoors. After the lunch hour, games were played inside the unfinished gymnasium. The day was topped off by a dance.

September 30, 1965 to October 1/65. Our teachers attended the Teachers' Convention and the students had two days off. They took a trip to Norquay Beach and spent the beautiful day over there.

October 8/65. The staff and students attended a play at the Civic Auditorium. The play was entitled "The Dream", which was about the Fathers of Confederation at the time of the Quebec Conference.

General News Cont'd:

October 9, 1965. The boys went out on a two-day camping trip at Patricia Beach on the shores of Lake Winnipeg.

October 23, 1965. The University of Manitoba held "open house" so the students took advantage of this opportunity to visit the University. The Grade 10 boys, later on, attended a career talk on Architecture. The girls also went to listen to a speech on nursing.

October 24, 1965. The grade X11 students had their first banquet of the year in which a guest speaker is invited. Mr. Eugene Courchene, Indian Agent of Sandy Bay, was our invited speaker on the occasion. Mr. E. Courchene's talk was centered around the life of students after high school.

October 27, 1965. Miss Mary Kennedy of the Legion of Mary, visited the school. She also talked to the students about the organization and works of the Legion of Mary.

November 1, 1965. The student cards were out on this day. They were sold at 25 cents each.

November 19, 1965. The student council opened a bank account at the National Bank of Canada. The council also bought sport uniforms for the girls.

December 5, 1965. Mr. Isaac Beaulieu was guest speaker at the second banquet held by the grade X11. Mr. Beaulieu spoke on Community Development on the Indian reserves.

The gymnasium and Chapel are nearly completed. The official opening and graduation were originally planned for December 19, but it is now cancelled. The events will likely be held early in 1966.

We hope that you will enjoy reading the Highlights and that you have a "Joyeux Noel" as well as a prosperous 1966.

Moses Okimow

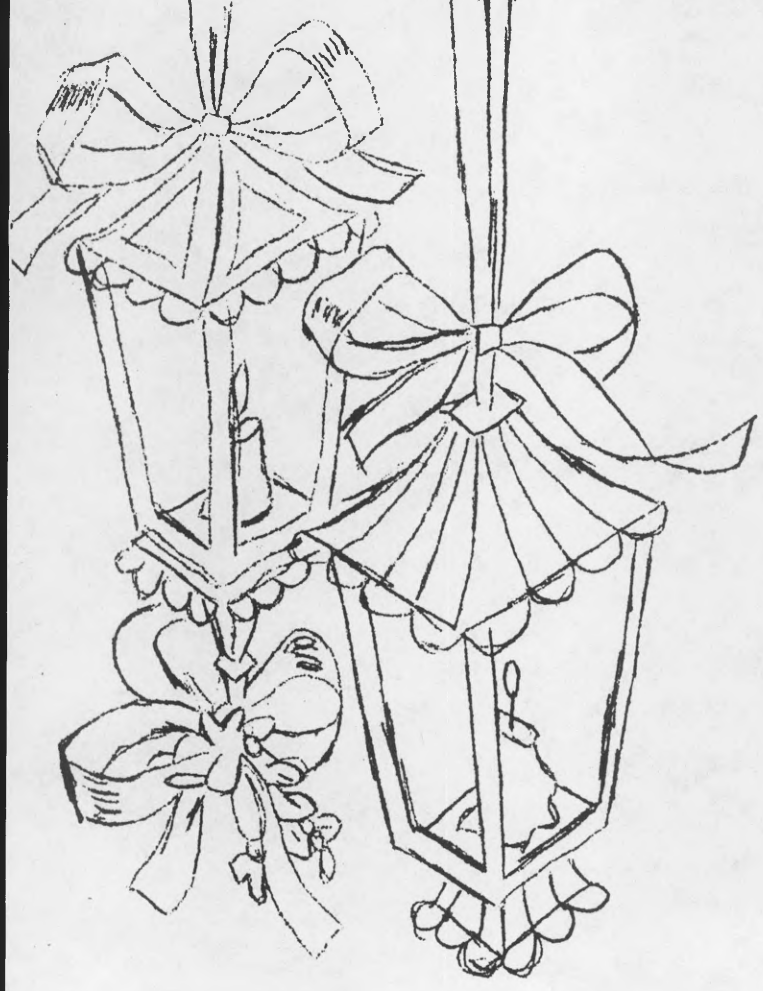
CURRENT COMEDY

Husband has just left for work. The suburban housewife, curlers in her hair, wearing a ratty bathrobe and torn slippers, relaxes over a second cup of coffee. Suddenly she hears the garbage man out in the alley.

"Hey!" she yells, rushing out the back door carrying a soggy bag. "Am I too late?"

"No lady," says the garbage man. "Jump on."

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Dear Readers:

Once again it is examintion time here in Assiniboia. As students, preparing for these tests, we must feel and acknowledge the fact that three months of solid work has been put in; that we have all advanced in knowledge, experience, and possibly even wisdom. At any rate, it has been three months since the opening of this school year, and this amount of time has been either used for furthering knowledge and experience or it has been a procrastination of studies. Which of these two have we done? Have we achieved something concrete during these short months or have we been putting it off till that tomorrow which never seems to materialize?

As I begin writing these few words, I cannot help but think about last year's Student Council. It was both rough and tough for those serving for the first year. They had to start from "scratch" to build up this organization into something tangible. It is through their efforts, that the Student Council is now moving by leaps and bounds. Some of their dreams have materialized this year; our dreams may materialize in the years to follow.

Our Student Council has progressed in administration and orgnization by trial and error. It has accomplished projects through the cooperation of both staff and students. The active participation of the entire Student body has encouraged the Student Council to venture into more uncertain fields where the end of plans and schemes are not yet in sight of course much will be accomplished by future

President's Message cont'd:

Student Councils.

Let us then close our brief message and say that we, as students, must work a common and two-fold goal, that of becoming good Canadian citizens and graduating as successful students. But while seeking our aim, let everyone of us participate in our extracurricular activities.

The Student Council, the staff, and the students wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to one and all.

Au Revoir

Edwin Bruyere, President.

Jesus Is Born

'Twas in the moon of wintertime,
When all the birds had fled,
That mighty Gitchi Manitou
Sent angels choirs instead;
Before their light the stars grew dim,
And wandering hunters heard the hymn,
Jesus your King is born, in Excelsis Gloria.

Within a lodge of broken bark,
The tender Babe was found,
A ragged robe of rabbit skin
Enwrapp'd his beauty round;
And as the hunter braves drew nigh,
The angel song rang loud and high.

The earliest moon of wintertime
Is not so round and fair,
As was the ring of glory on
The helpless infant there.
The chiefs from far before Him knelt
With gifts of fox and beaver pelt.

O children of the forest free,
O sons of Manitou,
The Holy Child of earth and heaven
Is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant boy
Who brings you beauty, peace and joy.

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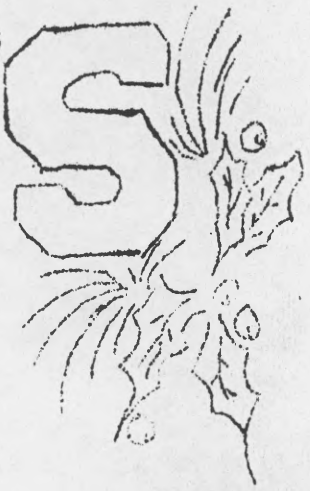
CLASS NEWS



Grade Xll Class News

Dear Readers,

Season's greetings coming to you from Assiniboia grade twelve classroom. On behalf of all the grade twelve students, I welcome you to our little "world" of work and "goings-on".

Our little classroom world consists of twenty-four members, eighteen of whom have complete grade eleven standing. Our class president is a determined young lady, Valerie Mainville of Fort Frances, Ontario. Under her leadership we have had several class meetings and we can depend on her to inform us of the substance of students council meetings.

Our new chemistry teacher, Mr. Tataryn, along with a new chemistry text, has provided last year's students with a new source of enthusiasm and interest. As for the new ones, the beginning of the year brought subjects containing more fully developed information than we had learned in former grades. The laws and basic concepts of Chemistry, for example, are more clearly explained. What may be of interest to you, is that with various methods, we can determine the weight of the smallest particle of matter, the atom, and also that of the electron. We even learn about "the romance of Na plus ions and Cl minus ions which unite in the electrovalent bond of marriage, forming a family of NaCl molecules."

As for Maths, presently we are puzzling over the "compound interest" problems, having completed ratio, progressions, and quadratic equations, etc. However, we have many more formulas to learn and to apply, as they are scattered throughout the text.

Grade Xll course consists of five subjects only, Chemistry, Biology, French, Maths, and English. The September tests showed only three failures while in the October ones only one failed. In the December term exams we hope to see everyone about the half-way

Grade Xll Class News Cont'd

mark.

Before closing I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and wonderful holidays to one and all.

Agnes Nanowin

Grade Xl Girls Class News

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the spotlights on the news of the grade eleven girls' class.

First of all we would like to introduce to you Mr. Tataryn, who we are proud to say, is our home teacher. Mr. Tataryn teaches us chemistry.

Our class holds seventeen girls but we usually welcome four boys from the other grade eleven class who come in for Literature, History, and Biology.

In the curriculum, we are taking the Biology course instead of Physics. In this course there is plenty of research and occasional experiments which are used for reports.

Brother Lavallee comes into our class every "day two" to give us practise in the singing of the Mass in English.

Sister Briseboie teaches us History, Literature and Comp. In History we are presently studying about the First Steps to Democracy In Literature we are taking poems, Macbeth, and Barometer Rising. We had the advantage of a telecast and tape recorder on "Macbeth". This made it easier to understand the play. During the month of October, each student in our class was asked to prepare a speech and to present it before the whole class. Many of the girls came out with very interesting topics such as, "The Ideal Me", given by Betsy Ross, "I Can't Get Away With It" by Lydia Maytwayashing, and many other equally interesting topics.

Sister Tougas teaches us Mathematics and we are fortunate that she has alot of patience when she explains the different factors and problems, both in Geometry and Algebra.

Some of the girls take typing instead of French. Those taking French are again fortunate to have Miss Freynet, who is another teacher with the virtue of patience. Occasionally, the students studying French have the opportunity of listening to French radio programs or French records.

On the previous exams of September and October, Lillian Mason, who is president of our classroom ranked first in the whole of grade eleven. Good work Lillian! Then came the Christmas exams which commenced on November 29th and ended on December 2nd. We have not yet received all the results of our exams although the known marks are promising and encouraging. But we are still aiming for higher results in the next months to come.

In conclusion, on behalf of all the grade eleven girls, I would like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a

Grade Xl Girls Class News Cont'd

Happy and prosperous New Year.
Till the next edition, Cheerio!

Sincerely,

Carole Scribe

Grade X Girls Class News

Dear Readers:

Since the beginning of the school year in September, we have experienced our trials and errors in our classroom activities which I will now relate to you.

In our daily schoolwork, we have made progress and ever since the monthly results have been posted up, there has been a spirit of incentive among the students. With an average of 82%, Verna Houle ranked first in September. For October, yours truly came first with an average of 77%.

Miss Freynet, our homerule teacher, teaches us English Composition, Literature and French. In the Literature course, we have completed "Lost Horizon", a book about an ideal world, three "One Act Plays" and eight "Short Stories". For our composition we follow the book, "Read, Think and Write", and "Poetry". Although it is quite difficult for us to pronounce French, we manage to mumble through it, somehow.

With our science teacher, Mr. Tataryn we are performing experiments which we have refrained from doing since the beginning of the term.

During our religion classes we use the knowledge of our Religion which we accumulated the previous years to reason out troubles by partcipating in classroom panel dicussion. The topics discussed stimulated many students into participating in debates. When the floor is open, some girls are heard stating personal opinions or asking questions. Mrs. Foran our religion teacher, has the knack of answering quite thoroughly for us to keep silence until someone comes up with more opinions or questions. These have given us the experience in public speaking.

Around the middle of October the girls taking sewing and Mrs. Foran as the chaperon, had the opportunity to shop at Eaton's department store. The girls bought their choice of patterns, materials and thread. At 3:00 P.M., Mrs. Foran treated the girls to refreshments at the Coffee Room.

The Home Economic students prepared a couple of the Grade Twelve Banquets since October. With the co-operation of Mrs. Foran the Home Econmics teacher, the girls served tasty dinners.

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Grade 10 Girls Class News Cont'd

Since not all our results for the Christmas examinations are known we are held in suspence for the outcome.

From all our class--Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Shirley Beaulieu

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Little Willie Blotsko turned his innocent baby blues on the teacher. "Miss Caswell, do you believe a person should be punished for something he didn't do?"

"Why of course not," replied the teacher.

"Goody," said Willie "I didn't do my homework."

Patient: "Docter, will I be able to read with my glasses."
Docter: "Of course."
Patient: "Well, that's great. I never knew how before."

Once on a street two men bumped into each other. One of them yelled to the other, "Watch where you are going, you skunk!" and went walking on. The other thought to himself, "I wish I were a skunk; I would have fixed him well!"

Father: "Goo, goo, da da, ma ma.
Baby: "I have a feeling that you are trying to get something across to me."

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Dear Parents,

A Merry Christmas greeting especially meant to let you know that both of you are loved far more than any words can show.

Wishing you both a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Robert Houle
Editor

Gr. X Boys Classroom Report

Dear Readers,

My first report for Assiniboia Highlights for Grade X Boys' class events and activities.

In our classroom this year there are many new comers. To start with the following: John A. Thomas and Wilfred Trout hail from Cross Lake, Percy and Lawrence Okimow hail from God's Lake, Daniel Highway and George Bighetty hail from Brochet, Leonard Young hails from Bloodvien, Tom Castle from Pakatawagon, Joseph Sioux from Griswold, James Gott from Mafeking, Larry Hunter from Ebb & Flow, Bill Chippeway from Vogar, Lloyd Flett from Nelson House, and Clarence Nepinak, Nelson Contois and yours truly hail from Camperville.

At the beginning of the school term our class room seated 34 pupils but unfortunately it has decreased to 30 because of 4 dropouts. These dropouts are namely: Gilbert Flatfoot, John G. Murdock, Wilfred Houle, and Camille Catcheway.

Not only have we new comers but we also have a few new teachers. They are Mrs. Foran who teaches geography, Mr. Tataryn teaches Mathematics, religion, and science and Mr. Robidoux instructs us in drafting (a new course this year). Mr. Marchildon teaches health and Mr. Cardinal instructs Physical Training(P.T.). The former teachers are Mr. Joubert, homerule teacher, Miss Freynet who teaches French, Father Robidoux, principal, teaches Indian History and Father Leroux encourages the pupils in their studies with a program called Guidance.

On September 20, 1965 we had an election for class president. Clarence Nepinak was elected for the position. Now and then he attends meetings with the Student Council to see what the coming events or activities will be.

The Christmas exams are just around the corner and everyone is studying hard. We all hope to pass. After the hard studying and writing of exams the Christmas holidays will be waiting for us. In conclusion, I would like to wish everyone luck in his and her exams.

Thomas Nepinak

CHUCKLES

"MY GRANDMOTHER is so old," bragged a little boy, "that when they lit the candles on her birthday cake last week, six people in the room were overcome by the heat."

"SAY, I understand your son is in college now," said one old friend to another when they met on a street corner. "How is he making it?"

"To be exact," replied the friend, "he isn't making it. I'm making it and he's spending it."

Dear Readers:

Welcome again to the M.A.M.I. section of the Highlights. This year the executives were elected at the general election. The executives are as follows:

President.....Dolores Nanie
Spiritual Leader.....William Merasty
Litergical Leader.....Charles Perrault
Missionary Leader.....Betsy Ross
Apostolic Leader.....Joe Wood
Secretary.....Ellen Scatch

Our first M.A.M.I. meeting took place on October 24th. The bulletin had been prepared by the executives. The topic chosen was "M.A.M.I.". It consisted of questions on what "M.A.M.I. is and the role of each leader. Actually "M.A.M.I." stands for Missionary Association of Mary Immaculate. The aims of the M.A.M.I. is to help the missionaries in their apostolic task. To help promote a more ardent devotion to Mary, to help foster vocation and assist in education of young men to the priesthood. The role of the spiritual leader is make sure the resolution is put in effect. We have a resolution after each meeting. The leader also reads his topic and asks questions concerning it. The apostolic leader's work is to further action of the spiritual section, help others in need. The Liturgical leader is to get information about the changes in the liturgy and forward it to the students. He does the work concerning the church, Mass and prayers. The Missionary leader's job is to help missions, when help is needed.

Our second M.A.M.I. meeting was on November 27. The bulletin had been prepared by Delphine Houle, Billy Flett and their groups. The topic chosen was about school spirit. Apparently, the meeting had more results than expected. Students got up to say their piece

M.A.M.I. (cont'd)

which is at times unusual. They said that school spirit is the co-operation of students, interest in school and sharing of ideals. School spirit is also showing in good Teacher-pupil relationship by being polite, doing what we are asked by them and doing our utmost. It could be shown by working and doing what we are suppose to do and be where we are suppose to be.

Both Father Principal and Father Leroux (senior teacher) comment on the meetings also give in their corrections.

We also have outside assistance for our M.A.M.I., Brother Hertibize guides and gives us ideas on what and how to prepare our bulletins. We are also glad to have Brother Lavalee, he teaches us Liturgical Music, that is the Mass and other Hymns.

Our meetings usually take about an hour and half, a short social following, a lunch and everybody returns to their respective quarters.

In conclusion, dear friends, I hope I have fulfilled your interest and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Ellen Scatch

Quotable Quotes

"Life is no more the game we thought it was, it has become the riddle we thought it wasn't." Edwin Bruyere

"The longer you wait for something, or the harder it is to get; the more you appreciate it when you get it." Dolores Nanie

"Look before you leap because haste makes waste, and it's better safe than sorry. If it hasn't occurred to you.....it's better late than never." Bill Merasty

"Understanding is the key to all closed doors." Rita Nanowin

"Success can be brought about with hard work and prayer." Valerie Mainville

"Failures don't happen. They are caused." Saul Day

"Ask and you shall receive, but before you ask, make sure that what you ask for isn't impossible to receive." Agnes Nancwin

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HOME ECONOMICS

Dear Parents and Readers:

Welcome to the first edition of the Assiniboia Highlights for 1965-66. I am informing you with the news from our Home Economics room.

Since our Home Economics room was not ready at the beginning of the year, we had classes in our homeroom. Our teacher Mrs. Foran gave us notes on the budgeting of time, colour and the styles of clothes. But after our Home Ec. room was finished, we spent some time on getting it ready. The class was also divided into two groups. The first group goes on day One and the second group goes on day four.

Our course consists mainly of sewing and cooking. On October 27, the group of girls who are taking sewing went downtown to purchase their material and patterns. The group of girls who are cooking prepared breakfasts, breads, and other foods. These girls had the privilege of cooking for the Grade XII banquet.

This is about all we have been doing in the Home Ec. classes. In closing I'd like to extend my sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Au Revoir,

Laura Fontaine

CHUCKLES

CANNIBAL COOK: "Shall I boil the missionary, boss?"
CANNIBAL CHIEF: "Don't be silly that's a friar."

Two ladies who had not seen each other for a long time met on the street, "Oh, Mary," exclaimed one, "so many things have happened to me since I saw you last, I've had my teeth out and an electric stove put in."

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the Sport's page of the Assiniboia Highlights. The sports that dominated our time since September were football and hockey.

Our football training commenced immediately on the first day of school by physical exercises. The teams were divided according to experience, size, and ability into Senior and Junior Teams. The Seniors combatted against teams like Stonewall and Teulon and made up the Interlake High School Football League. The first game played at Stonewall on September 29 was a crushing defeat for our Assiniboians. The natures of Stonewall stood like a wall of stone when we played offensively. On October 2, Assiniboia whipped Teulon by the score 28 to 7. The great wall of stone was smashed downed on October 13 when Assiniboia trampled the big Stonewall team by a score of 33 to 18. The other game with Teulon was forfeited to us giving us the privilege for the play-offs. The wall of stone was greatly well-cemented and plastered when the finals came; the Stonewall team defeated our hopefuls by the total score of 78 to 40. That was the end of our Inter-lake League of the season.

In the Juniors exhibition schedule, the results were: on September 25, Assiniboia's little warriors made 26 points against St. Paul's College's 12. Assiniboia repeated its feat in Warren with a score of 31 to 13. But on October 25, Assiniboia met some competition against St. Paul, Juniors were downed 48 to 1. Again, Warren made a desperate attempt to even up with Juniors but failed to do so; with Assiniboia topping Warren 34 to 7.

The Intermural League consisted of six teams namely of Eskimos Roughriders, Lions, Tiger-Cats, Stampeders, and Bombers. The Lions and Roughriders were eliminated from the play-offs. In the semi-finals, Eskimos played Stampeders and Bombers against Stampeders clashed to get into the finals. At the finals, Eskimos came on

Boys' Sports Cont'd

top to even the Intermural Championship.

Now the old man winter has arrived, our football field was converted into three rinks. The Intermural Hockey League have been organized and are now in full swing. The Seniors are divided into four teams: Tomahawks, Arrows, Shields, and Spears. In the Juniors' division, Generals, Sargeants, and Majors are the components.

In the exhibition games in hockey, the Junior "B" played two games so far, losing one to University of Manitoba and winning one from Isaac Brock Intermediate Club. Our Juveniles have played only a solitary game which they conquered by a score of 8-0. The Midgets were very polite to give a game to St. Boniface College by a score of 6-2.

With the following issue of Assiniboia Highlights, I assure you, readers, pleasant reading about our Sports activities which will consist of Basketball, Volleyball, and several other indoor sports.

Salio Mamageesic

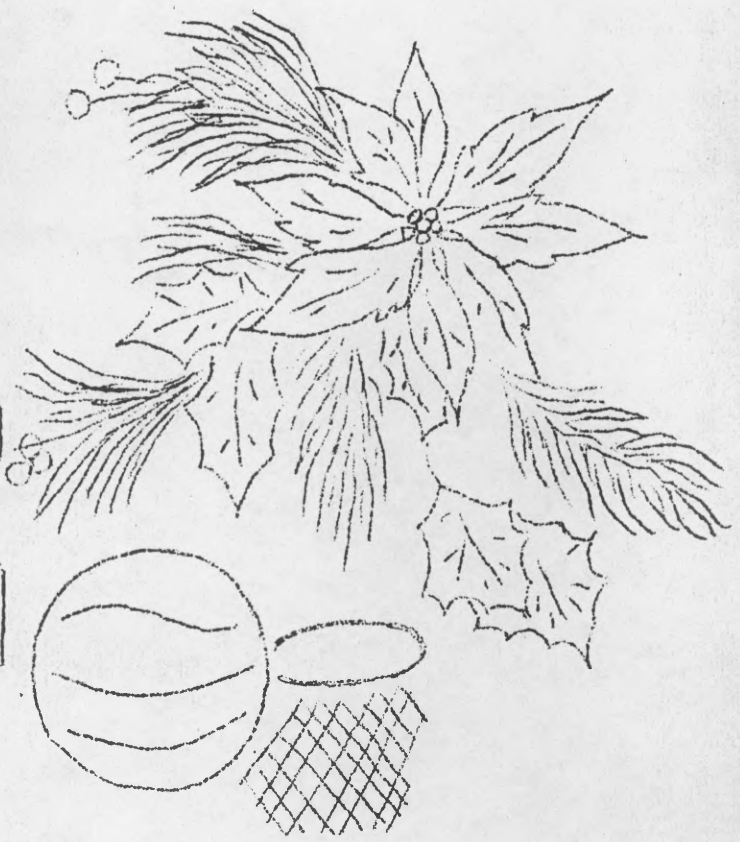
Monster

Out of our green grass, in front of our classroom block
Came out a monster of a thing
Its exterior is greyish and made mostly of rock,
Sand and cement, most students are sighing
To it rise quickly; if only General Brock
And his men were here to see it spring
He would have his men wash his sock
And the national anthem, they would sing.

Its headframe is almost transparent
Its broad body stretches across the lawn
Students immediately, write to their parent
Begging him to come and see it at dawn
Reminding him, not to forget to bring his tent
Most of them, or all of them fawn
We all got friendly with it, at the end
It calls for students; for its hostility is gone.

Salio Mamageesic

GIRLS' SPORTS



Hi! Sports Fans:

This is Terry, bringing you the latest girls sports happenings at Assiniboia.

In September, ten cheerleaders were chosen for the boys' football team. I assure you these vivacious girls were right in there cheering for our football team.

The football schedule came to an end and the girls moved into the volleyball season and were scheduled on the Senior High School division in which they were competing with the Mennenite Brethren College, St Mary's Academy and never did get around to playing with United College, who were also in the tournament.

The results of this volleyball Tournament were as follo s: Assiniboia seniors lost to St Mary's 15-2, and the Assiniboia juniors lost by 15-11. And that was the last games played.

Now that we have finished with our volleyball season, we do other sports activities, such as playing broom hockey, and some are looking forward to curling and bowling. After Christmas we will be starting our basketball season and hope to be wearing our new uniforms by then.

Well, sports fans, that is the latest of sports review coming from the girls up until now.

Adios till next time and Merry Christmas to one and all.

Terry Quewezance

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Dear Parents and other Readers:

As the 1965-66 school year once again commenced in the early part of September, again the students of Assiniboia went through the procedute of reorganizing the Student Council Executive.

On September 19, the student body met in the cafeteria where the elections of the Student Council Executive took place with Father Leroux presiding over the meeting. The students elected for the various positions in the Student Council were a follows!

President.....Edwin Bryuere
Vice President & M.A.M.I.-President.....Dolores Nanie
Activities President.....George Kakeway
Missionary Leader.....Betsy Ross
Spiritual Leader.....Joe L. Wood
Liturgical Leader.....Charles Perrault
Apostolic Leader.....William Merasty
Sports Directors.....Salio Mamageesic & Terry Quewezance
Social Directors.....Cameron Wood & Cecilia York
Works Directors.....Robert Francois & Branda
Librarian.....Dolores Tuesday
Altar Boy's Director.....Melvin Jourdain

The first meeting of the Student Council Executive, called on by the president, Edwin Bruyere, was held on September 21, when the planning of the year schedule was made. Father Leroux was present and gave them a few hints on the role of the executive. A suggestion of having students' cards was discussed.

A second meeting to discuss on the design of the students' cards was held towards the end of September.

On October 28, the executive met to decide on what to do with the $57.00 the school fund had.

The Excutive, on Sunday, November 6, organzied a bingo game. The price per card was five cents and prizes were given to the lucky winners.

On November 11, at 1:00 P.M. a general Meeting of the Student Body was held with the president presiding throughout the meeting. The reading of the minutes was done by the secretary treasurer, Ellen Scatch, who also gave the financial standing of the school fund. The editor, Robert Houle, stated his report on the yearbook. A vote was taken to have the socials on Saturday rather than Sunday and the majority of the students favoured Saturday socials. The president also stated his suggestion on having a constitution for the Student Council.

The prsident,on November 26, called upon a meeting with the Executive to discuss about opening a bank account for the school fund. Father Principal being present at the meeting explained the procedure.

December 6 marked the last meeting of the Executive for the first half term. At this meeting the question for the use of the library was dealt with. One suggestion was to have the library open to the students one or two days a week during recreation for reference, research or free reading. As Father Principal had attended the meeting, he gave a few suggestions and comments concerning the topic talked about.

In conclusion to the report of activities of our Student Council I enclose my best regards and my wishes for a very Merry Christmas to you and yours.

Cecilia York

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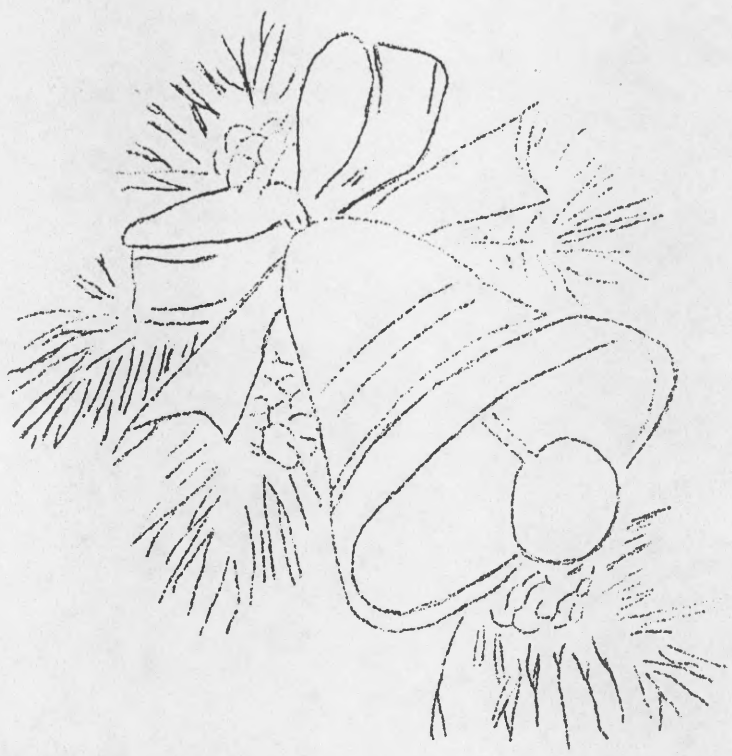
Three little boys were going to confession. The first little boy told the priest that he threw Peanuts in the water. The little boy told the priest he threw Peanuts in the water too. When the third little boy came, the priest said, "I suppose you threw peanuts in the water too."
The boy answered, "No, I'm Peanuts."

There was the one about the five year oldwho was watching his mom change the baby's diaper. When his mom forgot the talcum bit, the five year old said, "Hey, mom, you forgot to salt him."



Social Report

Dear Readers:

It is indeed a great privilege for me to be able to inform you of our social events at Assiniboia. We have two organized socials every month in which we dance or are entertained by a group of students. When the school opened in September we saw many new faces in our midst. The students who were here in the previous years looked forward to the Initiation Party. On September 26, we initiated the newcomers. We dressed them up in costumes and made them perform in front of the audience or sent them out on errands outside the school. We had one couple who had to go and get a bus transfer and another one to get a big treasure box at the Oblates residence on Wellington Crescent which is quite far from the school. In the mean time, the other initiates participated in other events, such as the onion-earing contest, the ice cream feeding contest, and the beauty contest. Oh, I nearly forgot. We had one initiate, disguised as a mummy, who sold tissue paper at the door.

Another event which we had was the Hallowe'en Party. The dance hall was decorated so as to make it look spooky. We danced and had several games. At the end of the evening, two judges chose a boy and a girl who had the best costumes. The winners were presented with prizes. To close the evening we had lunch.

On November 13, we had a Sadie Hawkins Dance prepared by the girls. We (the boys) were fortunate to be invited to the party which was indeed the best we ever had. I am sure the boys will agree.

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Before we went to the dance hall, the girls pinned a corsage on their escorts' suit jackets. We dance for about an hour-and-a-half and whenever the gentlemen were thirsty the ladies bought them a drink sold at two cents a glass. Towards the end of the evening we had two judges, Audrey McPherson and Father Robidoux, choose a couple who had the best corsage. The winners were Christina Linklater and George Missiabit, each of whom won a prize. At the end of the evening the girls served a delicious lunch for the boys. I am sure that the boys are thankful to the girls for the wonderful party.

Another social event was a Variety Show prepared by the Peptones and Boomerangs, a boys team and a girls team respectively. This was held on Saturday evening, December fourth. We started the evening with a skating party which lasted for an hour. After the skating party, we went to the cafeteria where the social event was held. The Master of Ceremonies, Saul Day, said a few words before the social began. The group started with a song, followed by a few jokes from Brenda Henry. The third number was a piano selection by Lillian Mason. A play called "The Case of the Love Note" followed, which lasted for about forty five minutes. After the play the two groups served lunch which was prepared by the Boomerangs. Father Principal ended the evening with a few words.

These are the main social events which have occurred since the beginning of September. We had other socials but they are not as important as the ones mentioned.

In conclusion, I would like to extend my sincere wishes of a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you.

Cameron Wood

WORD POWER

"Did" is a word of achievement.

"Won't" is a word of bereavement.

"Can't" is a word of defeat.

"Ought" is a word of duty.

"Try" is a word for each hour.

"Will" is a word of beauty.

"Can" is a word of power.

DRAFTING

This year there is a new course taken by the Grade 10 boys; this course is taught by Mr. Roger Robidoux.

Drafting classes are from 8:30 to 9:30 each evening, Monday through to Thursday plus some classes during the regular class periods for doing the homework assigned. The pupils who are all from Grade 10 B are divided into two classes. Classes A and B alternate each evening.

The classes started in September up to this day with an exception. That is on Tuesday October 19th, when we were able to go to the University of Manitoba with our drafting teacher to listen to a lecture and to see a film on Architecture which is closely related to drafting. In November we saw two films and some slides about points which we were to know for the Christmas exam. The exam was fairly easy, but most of us had to hurry to finish our plates (a paper on which we make our plans). The results of the examination ranged from 24 to 85%. There were 8 failures out of 30 boys.

In general, the boys enjoy drafting, although it takes away some of our recreational hours; sometimes there is a day or two when it is not necessary to go.

Closing this report I want to wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Charles Nelson

We sometimes take life for granted
And forget to give God praisc,
When many small chores and burdens
Crowd into our busy days;
But our hearts are truly thankful
For the blessings which God sends,
And we never shall forget
The true value of our Friends.

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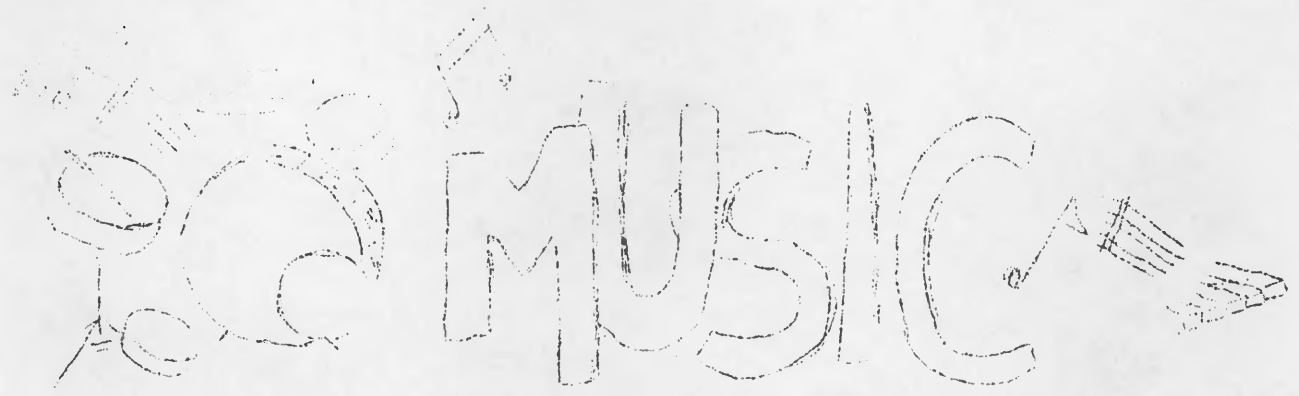

Dear Readers,

Here we are once again to tell you about our music committee of Assiniboia High. We are very glad to have our music teacher, Miss S. Minville, back again this year.

This year there are only two piano students, Carole Scribe and yours truly, and there are twenty-two choir members of an all-girl choir. Our president is Agnes Nanowin, who makes sure all the girls are on time for singing. Our typist is Ellen Scatch, who types out all of the many songs we are going to learn.

We have an hour of choir practice every Wednesday from six to seven o'clock in the evening or more if we need it. After the choir practice, Carole and I have piano lessons from seven to eight o'clock, half an hour for each.

Our first outing this year was on Wednesday, December 8th, when we went to entertain the people at the Blind Institute. Our entertainment consisted of singing and piano playing. We sang Christmas Carols, old and new songs.

We are also preparing for the graduation, opening of the gymnesium and chapel which will take place after the Christmas holidays. We are working and looking forward to it very, very much.

Miss Minville is also making big plans for the choir to learn the songs from the movie productions of "The Sound of Music" and "Mary Poppins."

We hope that one of these fine days, you will be able to come around and hear our choir and piano selections. I am sure, and I guarantee you that you will enjoy yourself like you never did before. So till the next edition, good-bye, Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Happy New Year and many more to come!

Yours truly,

Emma Jane Ross

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Centennial Tour

As a representative of the Grade XI of our school and of Assiniboia, in general, it was my privilege of being selected as a participant in the 1965 Student Exchange Program, co-sponsored by the Manitoba Centennial Corporation and the National Centennial Commission.

I was assigned to Unit 70, which consisted of twenty-three other students, leaving July 5, 1965, for Calgary, Albert. The exact time and details concerning the trip were later forwarded to me. It was necessary to fill in a number of forms, to pay a small fee of $1.00 per student, to cover for Accidental Death and Dismemberment and Blanket Accidental Medical Reimbursement.

We met our escorts, Mr. & Mrs. Witherspoon, the day before our departure, when they had given us each a "Centennial Traveller" bag a present from Ottawa and informed us the departure time set for 10;40 the following morning at the C.P. R. Station.

Upon my arrival at the station, I found the group clustered together, buzzing like bees, while stating their prospects of the trip. The train, however, was two hours late, but finally we departed from Winnipeg at 12:00 heading for sunny Alberta.

The ride was rather long and noisy: what with twenty-four young people as nervous as can be about what lay ahead. The main attraction during the ride was a train derailment near Moose Jaw. Finally after twenty-two or so long hours on the train, we arrived at the Calgary Station around ten o'clock the following morning.

When we got there we saw men, women, and children decked out in complete cowboy ensembles and white hats. The day had already begun for the Calgary folk and everyone was busy awaiting another Stampede day. Almost immediately we were swept away to be introduced over the air, radio CKXL. We were then taken to meet our host families with whom we were to stay for a week. I met the Burluck family, and their daughter and I went off to spend the afternoon at the Calgary Stampede, where we had booked seats to see the Dave Clark Five.

During the week following, there was much rain and hail, which our group of Winnipeg students, seemed to have brought with us. However, we continued our tour in spite of the occasionally unexpected downpours.

We visited Banff for one day, and had an opportunity of riding the gondola lift to the top of Sulphur Mountain. In the town of Banff we visited the Luxton Museum and returned home at five o'clock. Our next day was spent at Happy Valley, a recreational centre a few miles

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out of Calgary. There we were able to participate in golf, swimming, riding horses, riding paddleboats, jumping on trampolines, and the like. We then visited Heritage Park on July 9, a park containing an imitation village of the early 1900's, complete with its railway line, blacksmith shop, dentist shop, church, school, Indian village, fort and ranch. From here we visited the beautiful Jubilee Auditorium, the museum, and the Calgary Zoo.

Friday evening, was spent with my hostess at the Stampede. watching the chuckwagon races and its stage show followed by the usual fireworks display.

Saturday was left to our own discretion with no planned tour. Many of us took this opportunity to sleep in. On Sunday we were also free. After having attended Mass, the Burlucks and I apent the afternoon at this club where we went swimming. Afterwards they took me about the University grounds, and we watched the Stampeders practice nearby.

Monday's plans to visit a nearby ranch was drowned with rain. We returned to Happy Valley that evening for a big barbecue with all the host families present. Later in the evening there was a farewell party for all, as it was our last night.

Tuesday was left free again, in order that we would get ready for our return trip. Immediately, after supper we were taken to the station where farewells were already being said. A great majority of the girls were unable to depart as dry-eyed as they wished. As it was, everybody disliked leaving after so short an acquaintance, and yet we were overjoyed at the propect of returning home. We left Calgary that evening on July 13, at eight o'clock for another long ride back to Manitoba.

This wonderful experience will be unforgetable, and I owe many sincere thanks to Reverend Father Robidoux Principal, and Mr. Ross of the Indian Affairs Branch for having made possible this exciting opportunity for me.

Agnes Nanowin

Cartoon Quips

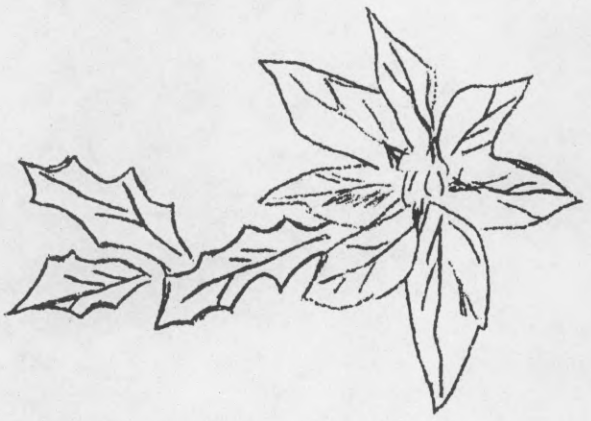
Wife to husband relaxing on terrace: "The trouble with suburan living is no matter where you sit you've always looking at something you should be doing."

Tourist to waiter: "Slow down! Je parle French-language records."

One unemployed man to another: "What hurts was that I wasn't replaced by a whole computer--just a transistor."

Watching downpour, relieved weatherman to assistant: "We really needed this rain. I don't think we could have gotten away with another wrong forecast!"

LITERARY.



Composition by Leonard McKay (Sr.)

TOMORROW

Tomorrow is before our eyes, before our hands, and yet we cannot see with our eyes, we cannot touch with our hands. Why? Why is it so far for so many of us, the Indian? Why can't we see and touch with our own human nature? Why is it impossible for us to try at least? Why? Maybe it is because we have lost touch with nature? Maybe it is because we can't fight or don't know how to fight. Maybe we don't even want to fight at all. Maybe all our fighting spirit, all of our dreams, all of our prestige were subdued when the white man conquered us? But are we to stand still because they conquered? Our best battles should be tomorrow. Must we shrivel up and die before tremendous odds? Our forefathers did not; they fought side by side against the ones who drove them away from their lands.

What will it be like tomorrow, for us, the Indian? That remains to be seen. But tomorrow may already be too late. If we don't act now, tomorrow will smother us and we will be like the sand, scattered endlessly and all of the same color. We can now actually smell the smog of tomorrow in our nostrils. She is slowly but surely settling down on us. We try to hide, run away, and even kill ourselves to get away from her. But if we can rise and stand up for our own nation, we will drive the smog away and we will be able to face tomorrow and live.

We, too, have the right to say, "I am an Indian" and be proud when we say this. It is now entirely up to us to continue the fight our forefathers started but without the bow and arrow, the rifle, the tomahawk, and the war-paint.

You might say this is a talk of an extremist but we must face reality as it stands. We can't just walk away from it and do anything that is irrational and which puts us back ten per cent each time. We know we must fight every inch of the way in order to get someplace. To come down to it, what we need is another Sitting Bull to lead us higher in life.

HONOR ROLL

NAME	AVERAGE	GRADE	RANK
NANAWIN Rita	78.0	XII	1
NANAWIN Agnes	77.4	XII	2
FLETT Billy	76.4	XII	3
MASON Lillian	76.6	XI	1
COWLEY Burma	74.3	XI	2
CASTEL Philip	71.3	XI	3
WOOD J.E.	81.2	X	1
BEAULIEU Shirley	80.7	X	2
SCRIBE Kathleen	74.0	X	3

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Silent Night