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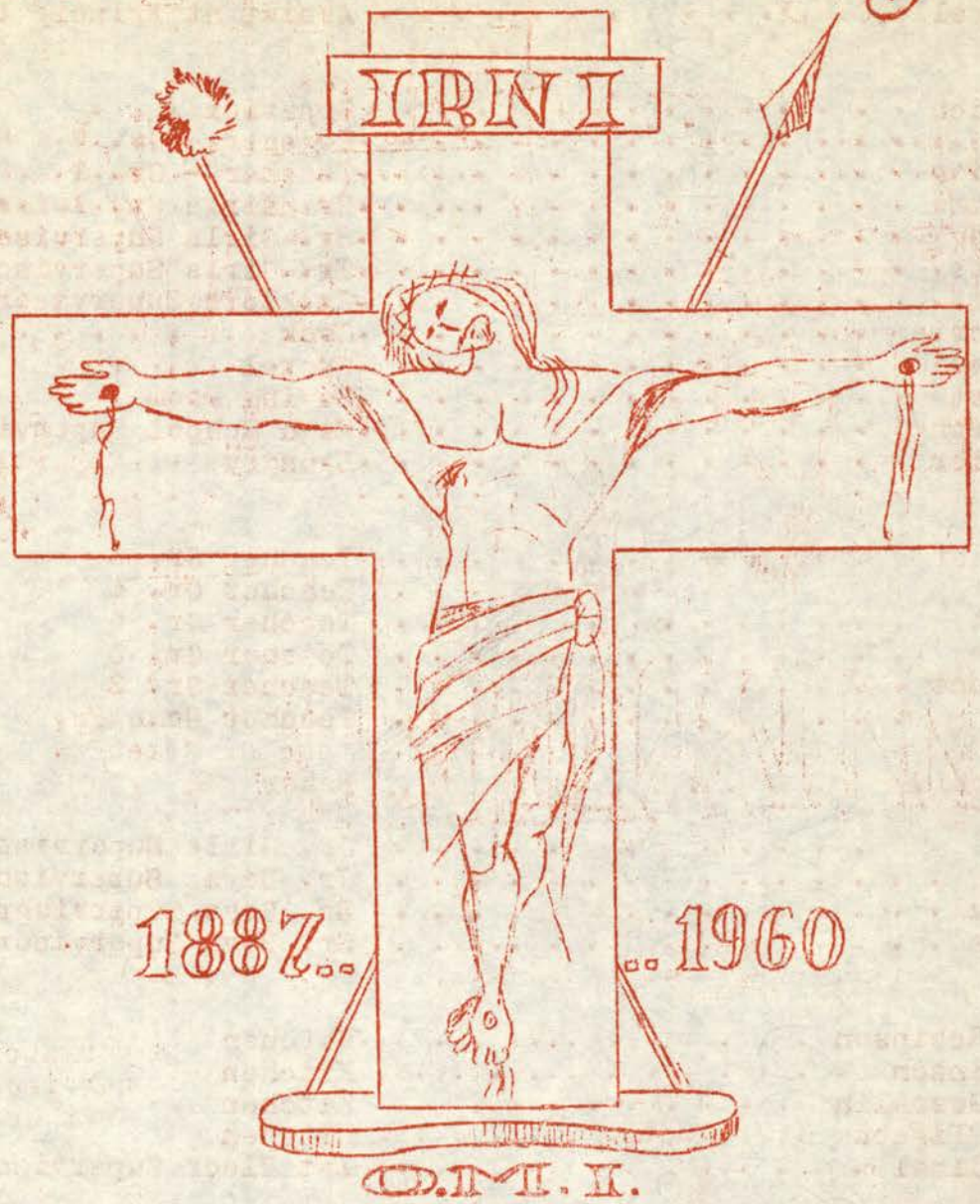

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PERSONNEL

Rev. L.C. Latour , O.M.I.	Principal
Rev. V. Martorello, O.M.I.	Assistant Principal
Rev. Sr. Frohlich	Superior
Rev. Sr. Cyre	Teacher - Gr. 7 & 8
Rev. Sr. Chartier	Teacher - Gr. 1
Rev. Sr. Lafebvre	Sr. Girls Supervisor
Rev. Sr. Lesage	Sr. Girls Supervisor
Rev. Sr. Labonte	Jr. Girls Supervisor
Rev. Sr. Thibert	Jr. Boys Supervisor
Rev. Sr. St. Marie	Cook
Rev. Sr. Corriveau	Chapel
Rev. Sr. Bourget	Sewing Room
Rev. Sr. Armstrong	High School Supervisor
Rev. Sr. Cloutier	Laundry
Mr. C. Linklater	Teacher Gr. 6
Mrs. Lavoie	Teacher Gr. 4
Miss C. Douset	Teacher Gr. 5
Mrs. F. Blaise	Teacher Gr. 3
Miss G. Darimont	Teacher Gr. 2
Miss A. Jean	Teacher Home Ec.
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Mrs. Ziak	Jr. Girls Supervisor
Miss Charron	Jr. Boys Supervisor
Mr. T. Cardinal	Sr. Boys Supervisor
Mr. L. Redcrow	Sr. Boys Supervisor
Mrs. Lorette Robinson	Kitchen
Mrs. Rita Robinson	Kitchen
Mrs. Cecille Gosselin	Kitchen
Mrs. Lucienne Pigeon	Kitchen
Mrs. Katy Cardinal	1st Floor Supervisor
Mr. P. Cote	Engineer
Mr. D. Pomerleau	Farm Foreman
Mr. F. Robinson	Farmer
Mr. E. Lafebvre	Engineer

Blue Quill School
St. Paul, Alberta
December 22, 1960

Dear Pupils, Parents, Friends:

The beautiful Christmas season is here again and it inspires us with kindly thoughts and feelings for those who are dear to us. This is a result of the example set by the angels, the first Noel, when they first sang, " Peace on earth, good will to men."

It is their words which I borrow in order to express to you, my heartfelt wishes for a very Merry Christmas. May your joys be deep and pure and may the Christ Child give you a strong desire to walk the straight and narrow path that leads to true and lasting happiness. If this and all the other wishes which I make are answered, then truly, the new year will be most happy for you and yours.

At Midnight Mass, let us all unite in prayer and song, so that the greetings and wishes we have made to all our loved ones will be realized and that this Christmas will be truly joyous and Christ-filled.

Yours devotedly
L.C. Latour, O.M.I
Principal

Teaching Staff

REV. SR. A. CYRE; (Gr. 7 & 8) is now in her second year as Senior Teacher. She came here in Sept. 1959, having been north at Isle-a-la-Crosse and Beauval, Sask. She is the guiding light in all phases of school life, directing music, special activities and so on. She's well liked by everyone because of her perpetual goog humour and boundless energy. In the words of one of the inspectors, "she's quite a gal".

Mr. C. LINKLATER; (Gr. 6) spending his first year at Blue Quills from Beaver Lake and Garnier College, Spanish, Ont. and also Beauval, Sask. He takes a great interest in sports and usually is umpire or referee in our League Games. He went to High School in Lebret, Sask. which, he says, is the place where all good people go when they die.

MISS C. DOUCET ; (Gr. 5) came to Blue Quills from the great little town of St. Paul, the Capital of North Eastern Alberta. She helps in the singing as she is an excellent singer herself. She has her class produce some very good Art work and she is also the Phys.Ed instructer for the girls who are well pleased with this. She drives to and from St. Paul daily in her German Cadalac.

MRS. LAVOIE; (Gr. 4) has been here for several years now and is almost as familiar to Blue Quills as the sun itself. She helps greatly in the preparation of concerts and recitations, and joins freely in all activities of the school. Sometimes she drives to her home in Lafond in a gret big red machine, but usually stays here as she seems to be a very busy woman in her classroom which is so well decorated at all times.

MRS. F. BLAISE; (Gr. 3) is a newcomer to the staff also and is in her first year teaching. We hope that her experience is a good one and that she will feel free to return to the profession next year. She comes from the famous Notre Dame College in Wilcox, Sask. She also resides in St. Paul and drives daily to and from there.

MISS G. DARIMONT;(Gr. 2) has also been here for several years and is almost as familiar to Blue Quills as Mr. Lavoie. She likes the place so much that she will be here for many years to come. She is a very hard-working teacher as her pupils will attest, and is usually found slaving in her classroom at all hours.

REV. SR. CHARTIER; (Gr. 1) is also in her second year here. She is the third teacher on our staffwho was in Beauval,Sask. It may perhaps be a coincidence that she, Sr. Cyre, and Mr. Linklater were all in Beauval at the same time in 1955-56. She helped prepare the Three Little Kittens for the concert but we don't know if she also made the cheese that the rat made off with.

MISS A. JEAN; (Home Economics) has been teaching Home Ec for about five years now and it is a tribute to her teaching ability that many of the children constantly win prizes when they send their work to the Exhibitions at Calgary and Edmonton. This year every exhibit sent from Blue Quills won a prize of some sort. This surely is to the credit of Miss Jean. It is our hope she stays here for a few years yet.

WISDOM

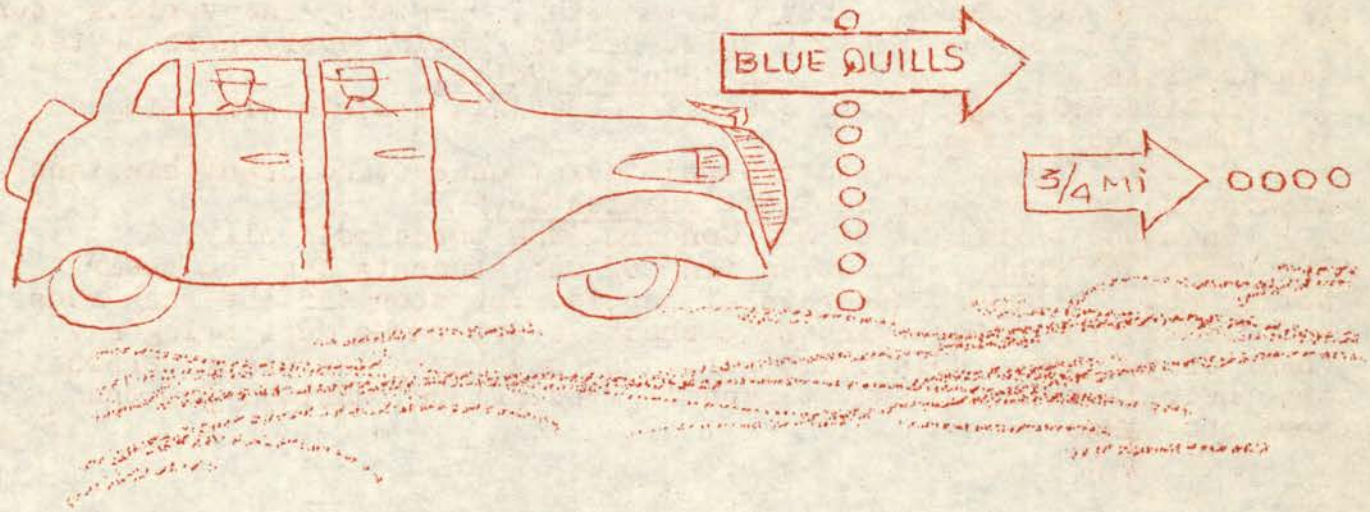
During September we had the visit of Rev. Frr Michaud, Provincial of the Oblates, who spent a few days with us and pays calls quite often. We are always glad to see him here.

Reverend Mother Trottier , Assistant General was here also, She visited the classrooms, spoke to the children and left a souvenier for each one. We welcomed her at the fronf door, and later in the gym we sang a Welcome song for her, and one of the girls, Shirley Matchatis, made a little speech on behalf of the Staffband pupils. She must have enjoyedthe visit as she came back later and took our pictures. We hope she comes again.

Rev. Fr. J. Couture O.M.I., President of the Alberta Indian Teachers Association also visited the school briefly in December as he attended on of the local meetings of the Saddle Lake teachers. It was his first time here and we hope he liked his stay even though it wasn't very long.

Mr. McCullough , Inspector for the Provincial Government, also paid a visit to the school as a replacement for Mr. Racette who has now moved to Edmonton. He went to all the rooms and was very pleased with the work we were doing. He said our work was just as good as any other school and better than some. He liked his visit so much he promised to come back again.

Shortly after Mr. McCullough was here Mr. Racette came himself. He did not come to inspect but to say good-bye. He went into each room and spoke to all the pupils and teachers. He said he was sorry that he had to leave but that he would try to come back again someday. He told the children to be good, work hard, and be good Catholics, and that he would always consider them as his friends.



CONCERT

Alot of hard work and patience went into our concert, given on tthe feast of our Dear Fr. Principal, Rev. L.C.Latour,O.M.I. But this work was not in vain, as was shown by the appreciation of our audiences. This Concert was given here in Blue Quills School twice, once on the occasion of our Father's feast and another for our dear parents. The third concert was given in the St. Paul High School Auditorium for the public of St.Paul and district. The people who crowded the St. Paul High School, numbered from 400 to 500 adults. The pupils of Blue Quills School performed splendidly and were on their best behavior during all rehearsels and practices held here and in St.Paul.

The program ran as follows, the numbers ranging from one to20. First cameour band, played by the senior boys under the direction of a Gr.10 pupil,Lucas Redcrow. They laid the welcome carpet with their welcoming march.

Secondon our program was the Indian Welcome? by our Junior girls most of which were beginners. The welcome comprised of a dance and a little Indian song.

Next came the Rainbow Drill, by our Senior Girls. It was made up of a dance and recitations in which our sincerest wishes were extented to our Fr.Principal, on the occasion of his feast. The rainbow may have been out of season but the wishes were most appropriate.

"The old Violin" recited by Lucas Redcrow. This moving recitation tells the a loving story of the " touch of the Masters Hand" and the good works God can do for people drowned in despart and sin.

Then two songs followed. The first was "Trees" by Joyce Kilmer,sung by the Gr.4 to 8 pupils. The Gr. 5&6 pupils sang the familiar refrain " White Christmas".

"The Three Little Kittens,"as done by the darling Gr.1 tots was hilarious. They performed splendidly for beginners especially the rat.

Francis Whiskeyjack brought gratitude and love from all breasts with his recitation "Our Priest".

The Music Quartet, consisted of four senior boys. The tunes they played were lively and they soon had everyone bouncing in their seats.

Winnifred Neat did very well for the first time on stage as she told us her dad story of"My Brother Will."

Mr. Thomas Cardinal had the audience captivated with his Senior Physical Education boys as they went through their daring performa cc with thrills and spills. They did tumbling, pyramids, and various stunts.

The rythm of the Skaters waltz had ua skating everywhere as the senior girls swayed and sang in "Skaters Waltz."

Little Brian Martin told us all about his troubles in being a boy in" A Boys Troubles ."

Puzzled Victor Redcrow couldn't quiet understand about his inheritance, so he r told us in "What Puzzles Me."

Then the highlight of our Concert, the three acts play, "Dowry for a Prince," in which many of our students showed their acting ability before hundreds of people. The story of the play runs as follows. The prince wishes to choose a bride who must bring a dower of 50 golden coins. Two girls who have very different personalities try their luck and charm at becoming the Prince's Bride. But the best one wins.

Between the acts "Shirley Matchatis gave a recitation,"the Usual Way," in which she seem to have already accumulated quite a lot of knowleage on the wiles and whims of life.

Another talented Redcrow sang a song which brought laughter from the audience. Alex Redcrow sang a Mexican song," De hat I got last Christmas,"

Poor Mr Levinski who was rather mixed up in his vocabulary managed to relate the events of a recent wedding he attended in "Mr Levinski goes to the wedding." This recitation was filled with fun and was recited by Frank Large.

Last but not least was our Little Minstrel, Lauretta McFeeter bade us good night and almost sang us to sleep with a lullaby.

This concert was a sucess and everyone contibuted to it. Yet the people who helped most were the ones behind the scenes. The teachers and staff with their patience and high spirits contirbuted the most to the making this concert a real sucess.

-by RoseMarie Cheecham

Main Characters In The Play

The Prince - Louis Bapatak
Angela - Eleanore McFeeters
Rebecca - Bernice McFeeters
Herald - Lucas Redcrow
Slave Master - Frank Large
Gypsy - Adrian Redcrow
Peasant Groom - Willard Cardinal
Peasant Bride - Esther Cardinal
Old Lady - Esther Lightning

Remembrance Day

On November 11, the Sea Cadets were invited along with the War Veterans to take part in a parade which was to take place in St. Paul. So early in the morning of the 11th, the boys put on their Sea Cadet uniforms and prepared for the ceremonies. At eight fifteen a bus arrived for the Ca dets. Upon arriving at the Legion Hall they took formation under our officer Lieutnent T. Cardinal. Then they marched to the Cathedral where they joined in the Church Services. After Mass they marched back to the Legion Hall where all assembled for the Memorial Parade. Colours were flying as the parade moved down to the Cenotaph where the Remembrance Ceremonies would take place.

After all were in place the Union Jack was lowered to half mast, and one of ourrboys ,Lucas Redcrow, played the Last Post. Then a Veteran recited "In Flanders Fields". At eleven o'clock we had two minutes silence. Thereafter, wreaths were placed on the Cenotaph in Remembrance of the brave men who have died during the Two World Wars and the Korean War so that we in Canada and other free countries might not lose the freedom we so greatly cherish.

Then the Parade moved back to the Legion Hall where everyone was served with refreshments. Then we boarded the bus once again and returned to the school. All were glad to get back in the warm building after being in the cold for three hours.

-by Frank Large (Gr. 8)

PREDICTIONS FOR 1961 by Gr. 7 & 8

Emily Cheecham - Lorraine Loth will turn into a little old lady soon.

Lorraine Loth - Emily Cheecham will be a model.

Alma Janvier - Adrian will one day be an Egyptian slave.

Violet Loth - Mary Cardinal will become a movie star.

Louis Lapatak - Willard Cardinal will become an outlaw, Frank Large an in-law and Esther Lightning a blacksmith.

Simon Memnook - Dorothy Callingbull will be a fat lady.

Dorothy Callingbull - Simon Memnook will gain 100 lbs.

Leona Shirt - Mary C. is going to be a fancy skater.

Norman McFeeters - Leona Shirt will go ka-put in 1961.

Eric Large - Frank will be a cotton-pickin' wool picker.

Ervin Stanley - Norman McF. will get a shiner during the holidays.

Mary Cardinal - In 1961 Flora S. will break at least ten hearts.

Flors Steinhauer - In 1961 Mary C. will break her heart at least ten times.

Esther Lightning - If Norman McF. keeps shouting he'll turn into a horse.

Arlene Cardinal - Helen Dion will be a singer in a horse opera.

Esther Cardinal - Bernice McFeeters will be the skinniest girl around.

Willard Cardinal - Lucas Redcrow will be a bronc buster.

Ned Memnook - Leona Shirt is going to turn into a scarecrow.

Kathy Shirt - In 1961 Mary Cardinal will have no goose pimples.

Louis B. Cardinal - Simon Memnook will be a musician starting Feb. 31/61.

Adrian Redcrow - Elaenore McF. will run out of breath.

Charley Whiskeyjack - In '61 Louis Lap will be bald.

Helen Dion - Lorraine Loth will wake up Jan. 1 as a blonde.

Frank Large - I predict that if anyone predicts anything about me they will get a black eye.

Bernice McFeeters - Eleanore will go cross-eyed.

Eleanore McFeeters - Bernice will go bow-legged.

EL TORO

One exciting Saturday afternoon we boys decided to go hunting in Owl's Eye. So Adrian and I started off with our sling shots and a rrows and some lunch. We did not see anything to kill so we just wandered about, but we did have some excitement. We were walking through a field when suddenly a mad bull rushed out of the bushes. We ran for our lives. We ran so fast we almost cried. But I was a faster runner than Adrian and I left him behind. Suddenly there was a tree and I climbed as fast as I could. I looked down a nd there came Adrian running a nd yelling. The bull was close behind Just as he made the tree and safety, he said, " Boy! If this bull kills me it will be your fault!" Then I took my sling shot and arrows and started shooting at the bull. Finally it went away. I think Adrian was slightly happier than I after the little trouble we had. It wa s an exciting hunt -for the bull!

-by Louis B. Cardinal (Gr.7)

TRAPEZE ARTISTS IN THE WOODS

During the Teacher Convention we had a picnic at Three Mile Lake. This came as a surprise. It was on a cool sunny morning and everyone was hurrying to do this and that and get it finished. Our gang hadn't decided what we might do this picnic. When we got there we had our dinner and then decided that we might do exploring. We strolled leisurely along the road when all of a sudden Mary shouted out with glee and pointed towards the woods. We all stared in the direction she pointed and what did we see? A perfect pole for trapeze performing! We rushed to the place and tried to do some trapeze stunts. We tried to stand on one leg on the pole but couldn't. We thought of another trick. We decided to try somersaults in mid air. Of course, I thought I could but when.I tried "bang" on the ground I fell. Fortunely it wasn't hardground but I sure hit my back hard. I don't think I'll try it again not for a million dollars. All this exercise really whetted our appetite and after a small lunch we returned to our trapeze until it was time to come back home. I thought to myself,"Wow! That was quite a day!"

-by Helen Dion (Gr. 8)

GR.7& 8 PARTY

Before Sister Cyre left for the convention, Grades Seven andEight had a farewell party for her. All Gr. 7& 8 boys and girls gathered in the girls' Room with Sr.Lefebre. Was Sister Cyre ever surprised, when she came down! Before the party , the bous chose their girl partners. The first thing on the program was penances. These penances were such things as washing each others face,combing hair and so on. The rest of the time was spent in dancing. Sr. Cyre and Sr. Lefebre were excellent dancers. Before retiring we had refreshments.Everyone had a good time.

-by Arlene Cardinal

SCIENCE TRIP

One bright sunny afternoon in October, Sr. Crye decided to take the class on a science trip. When all were ready and all equipment was gathered we started off on the trip through the fields to find samples of wheat, barley and oodles of other things.Some girls and boys went in groups looking for berries and different kinds of flowers while others were seardhing for branches and such. A fter some time Sister blew her whistle and the boys and girls were coming from all directions. She put all the different things in different boxes andjars. Then we had lunch and we were all on our way back to the school.

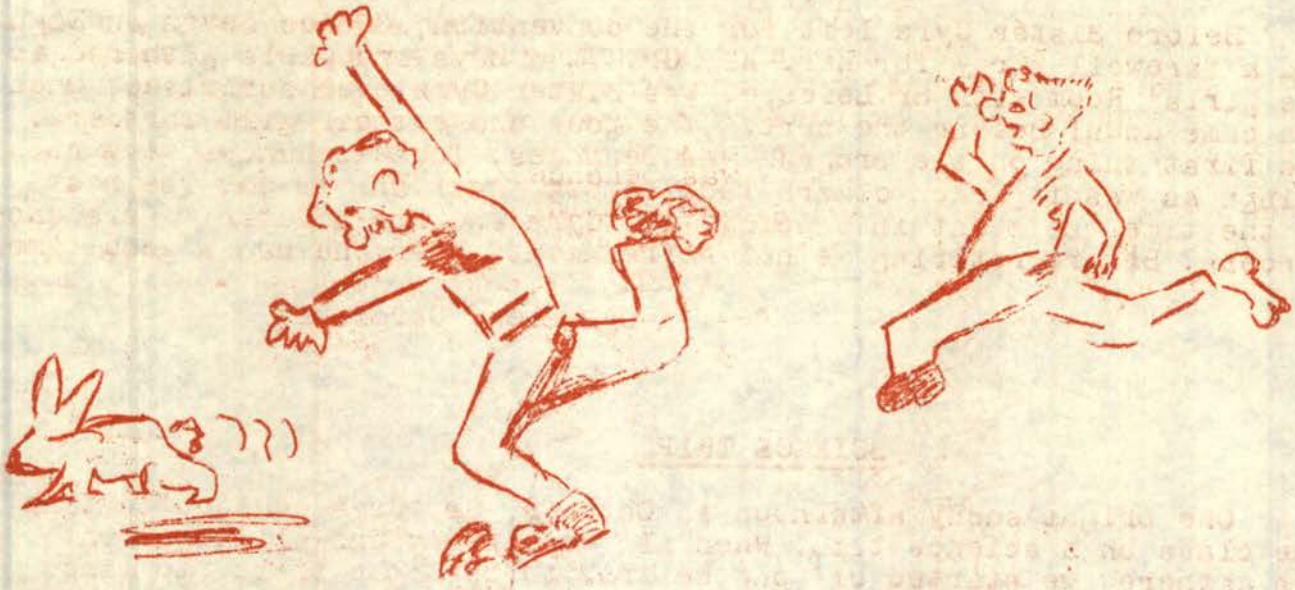
-by Eleanore McFeeters

The dentist came unexpectedly to Blue Quills during October. The Gr. 7 & 8 were the first to have their teeth examined. Just about everyone had either their teeth pulled or filled. When my turn came I was pretty exhited. Soonit was over and it was a relief to learn my teeth were okay. As for the others I don't think they enjoyed their food very much when we went down for dinner. Some of the girls were yelling and crying and the smaller ones were screaming. A nyway most of the girls came back to the classroom with either red eyes or tears in them,or both. The boys of course, took it all like real men. So now our teeth are good for an other year we hope, as long as no one knocks them out.

-by Oscar Whiskeyjack

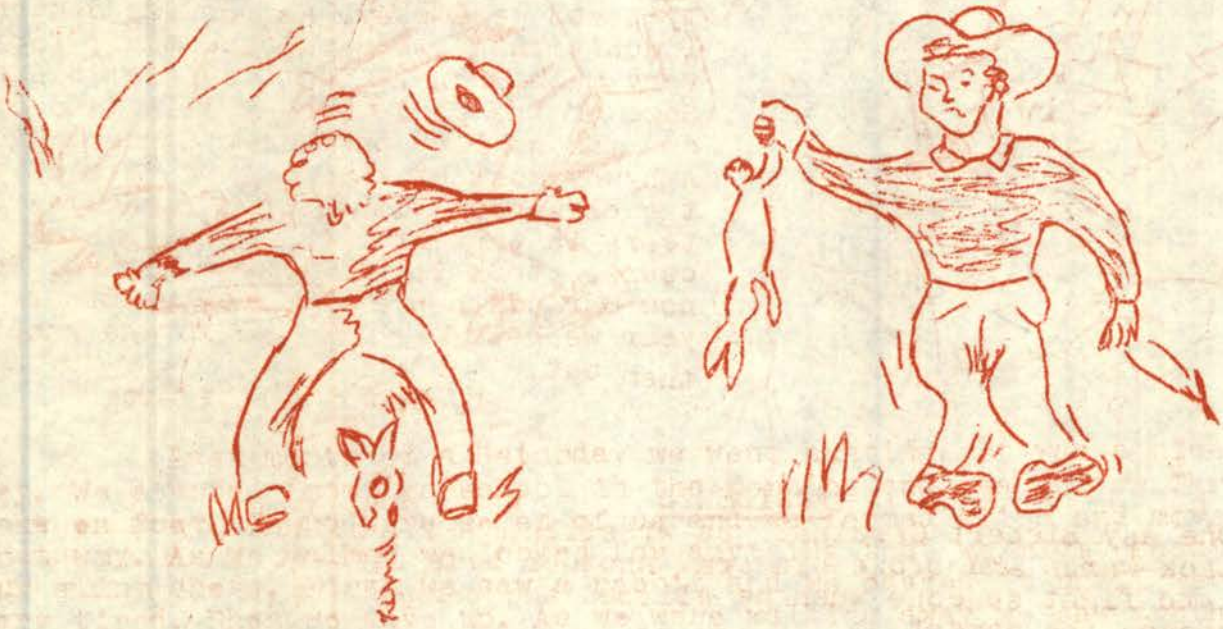
ACCIDENTS

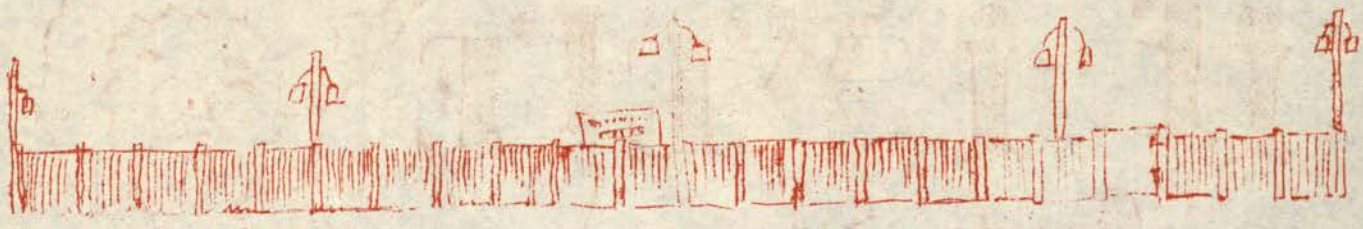
One day Siebert Cardinal was wrestling with another boy when he fell back-wards and broke his arm. Another time Gilbert Cardinal was trying to fight someone when he slipped and banged his head on the ceemnt and cracked the cement.



Last month on a Saturday we went hunting. It was a nice cooll day. We started from the school in the morning and headed for Three Mile Lake on foot. There were seven of us and we formed aline and moved in that way. As we walked we looked for anything that we might shoot with our sling shots. First we saw a rabbit and we chased it until we became very tired. Rhen we gave up. As we were walking away we saw another. This time we wanted to make sure it would not gat away so we encircled it. The terrified rabbit was running aroynd in a circle until it finally headed for one of the boys and raced right between his legs and got away again. Someone finally shot it with a sling shot, and so after all our trouble we came home with one dead bunny.

-by Eric Large (Gr. 8)





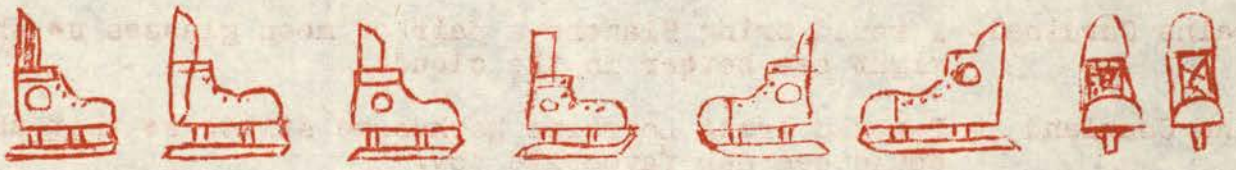
THE RINK

During the last few weeks the boys as well as the supervisors, Mr. Cardinal a nd Mr. Redcrow have been working on the skating rink. First of all we ha ve the whole crew of boys walk around on the snow so as to pack it down. Next we go over the packed snow with a packer pulled by a small tractor. This process is carried on so as to harden the snow before flooding. After this is finished the flooding proceeds. We started flooding three weeks ago. We usually flood on Saturdays and maybe once during the week. We haul our water from a big slough about a quarter of a mile away. The water is hauled by a 500 gallon tank mounted on a sled. This is pulled by a tractor. Usually the tractor is run by a couple of boys. We pull the tank around the rink and the water runs from out the tap on the rear end. We can make close to eight loads a day when we work steady. Right now we have a good layer if ice but it will have to be smoothened and flooded over and over before it is ready to be of great use.

-by Norman McFeeters (Gr. 8)

OUR FIRST SKATEE

One exciting afternoon Sister gave us our skates and told us we were going skating. It is my favoutite pasttime so, therefore, I was overjoyed. We all got ready and started off to the slough. When I put on my skates I felt odd because we didn't go skating since the last skating season. My friend Melanie and I went from corner to corner, and round and round. We were having such a grand time! When Sister whistled, that was the end of our fun. But now we know there will be more skating during the coming months. - by Alma Janvier (Gr. 7)



Whenever I would mention the subject of Arithmetic to Rita Charland she would stare at the ceiling, put her finger in her mouth and say;

A- A
R- red
I- Indian
T- thought
H- he
M- might
E- eat
T- tobacco
I- in
C- Church

if i were

Grade Six

Mary Ann Redcrow - I would bring Rosalie a, pair of goggles so she might see at least ten feet ahead of her. I would also bring Paul a looking glass for him to see if he is a 'Smiler' or a 'Cryer'.

Rosa lie Steinhauer- I would bring Alice a pair of false teeth so she could chew better, and I'd bring Mary Ann a jar of toe-jam.

Edna Charland - I would bring a hippopotamus for Alvina since she always expects big things.

Prosper Delver - I would bring Paul and Alice each a pair of boxing gloves because they are always fighting.

Eric Janvier - I would bring Paul Cryer a dress because he's always ta lking and fooling around with the girls.

Paul Cryer - I would bring a mattress and a pillow to Eric because he's always snoozing and doozing.

Alice Mooswah - I would bring Rosalie a pair of pajamas to save for her wedding day.

Margaret Gladue - I would bring a sleeping pill for Alice as she doesn't sleep at night and always dreams in the classroom.

Blanche Moses - I would bring Barbara Ann Scott to show Margaret G. how to skate just a little bit fancy.

Lorraine Cardinal- I would bring Blanche a pair of moon glasses so she might see better in the clouds.

Alvina Charland - I would bring Lorraine Lothdsome stilts so that she could see her favourite boy.

Gloria Muskego - I would bring Mary Ann a little tin horn so she would stop hummimg in the classroom.

Mary Desjarlais - I would bring Martha a pair of high tops so she could walk in the snow.

Theresa Charland- I would bring our teacher, Mr. Linklater, a pair of sandals so we wouln't notice when he comes toward the classroom from down the hallway.

We take Art every two weeks. The class usually takes drawing lessons form the radio. First we listen to the story on the program, then, while we are listening to some music we are drawing at the same time. At the end the instructor always asks a few boys and girls to tell about what they are drawing. From these explanations we get more ideas to put in our own work.

We use penclil crayons, paints, and sometimes wax crayons. We use ordinary paper to plan our work and good Art paper for the finish. When our work is done we put our drawings on the bulletin board. When these have been shown for about a week we then put them in our Art case. These cases are along the bottom of the blackboard. We are always anxious for Art period.

-By Eric Janvier
& Prosper Delver

One time our tacher assigned a painting lesson to us. Boy! I sre was anxious to paint for the first time. We had to paint about Outer Space. I painted a landing rocket. I put some arms on it. When it was finished I was quite pleased with it, but I had paint all over my clothes. you can imagine I wasn't pleased with this. I looked as if someone dropped paint all over me. A few weeks later we had painting again. This time I put all the paint on the paper. After all the trouble I had with the paints, I don't mind it now that I know how to paint much better.

- by Edna Charland (Gr. 6)

I was very excited one afternoon when teacher told us that we were going to use water colours. I was happy because I had never used water colours before. I didn't know how to use the colours the first time we tried. I always put too much water and the paint would smear all over my paper or get wrinkly. It was very hard for me until I found the trick. Now I can paint any picture as long as I don't put too much water.

- by Gloria Muskego (Gr. 6)

Alice Mooswah is always going "Ahem!" at the boys, so we call her the Ahem Girl.

I was very excited one after noon when Teacher told us that we were going to have a party. He told us it would start at two o'clock and last until four. We played games and had lots of fun. Some of the games we played were, Hiding a Little Pig's Head, Drawing faces on the board, Passing the Ball and a few that I don't remember. We also had prizes. for the winners. The prize was candy. Nearly everyone won a prize, by the time lunch came around we were all full. For our refreshments we had ice cream, drinks, and lots of candies. We enjoyed our party very much even if some had stomachs aches. We all hope we have another party soon.

-by Mary Desjarlais (Gr.6)

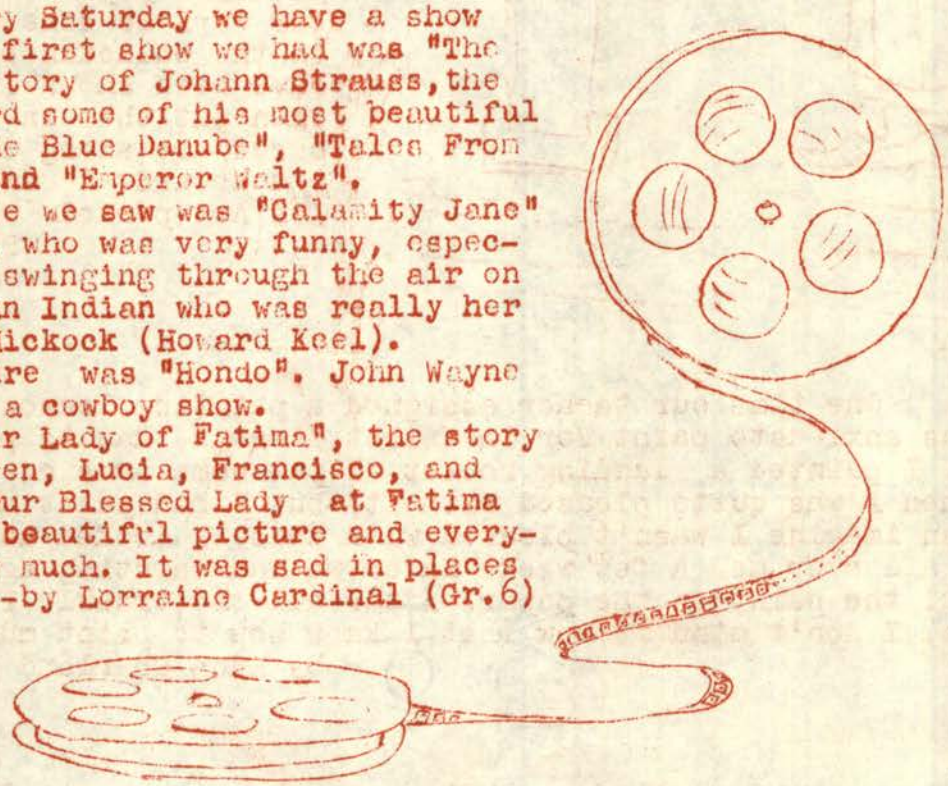
SHOWS

Just about every Saturday we have a show or film strip. The first show we had was "The Great Waltz", the story of Johann Strauss, the waltz King. We heard some of his most beautiful pieces, such as "The Blue Danube", "Tales From the Vienna Woods" and "Emperor Waltz".

The second movie we saw was "Calamity Jane" starring Doris Day, who was very funny, especially when she was swinging through the air on a rope pulled by an Indian who was really her friend, Wild Bill Hickock (Howard Keel).

The third picture was "Hondo". John Wayne was acting. It was a cowboy show.

We also saw "Our Lady of Fatima", the story of the three children, Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, who saw Our Blessed Lady at Fatima in 1917. It was a beautiful picture and everyone enjoyed it very much. It was sad in places and funny too. -by Lorraine Cardinal (Gr.6)



One time we went for a walk, Gladys S., Lorraine C., and Judy C. and me. We went onto a frozen slough where the ice was very thin. Judy thought it was thick. She led off with her right foot and it crashed right through the ice. Her boots filled up with water. Boy!. Was she ever scared! She had on some woolen stocking. We went to the ditch to get the water out. She was so mad, she threw her stocking away. (Sr. Lafevore, take note.)

-by Blanche Moses

AT XMAS

grade fives

Jean Quinney - I like Christmas candies and all kinds of nuts, also I like singing Christmas carols and getting presents.

Marlene McFeeters - I like going to Midnight Mass and singing. We get presnts and candies.

Freddy Bearskin - I like drawing Christmas cards and having Christmas parties.

Rita Charland - At midnight we go to Mass, then we get our presents and receive cards from parents and friends.

Audrey Jacob - Last Christmas I got a mirror as a present. I wonder what I will get this year.

Marlene Giant - I like to go to Midnight Mass.

Barbara Pasqueyak - I like to go to Christmas Mass and at New Years I like to visit people.

Eric Grandbois - I like Christmas because I like to skate and go to Church, and go home for the holidays.

Helen Minoose - I like the Mass and after the Mass I like to eat candies. oranges and nuts.

Marlene Muskego - I like to send cards to my friends and neighbours and go sleigh riding and visiting.

Louise Shirt - I like to go skating, sliding and sleigh riding on New Years when everyone seems so happy.

Mary Ann Charland - I enjoy having parties and visiting my friends and decorating the house and the tree.

Shirley Cheecham - I like Xmas because it is the day Jesus was born, and we celebrate His birth.

Siebert Cardinal - We hear bells all over and see Christmas trees decorated and shing lights all over.

Rose Ann Brighteyes - I like sending cards and getting presents, but Midnight Mass issthe best of all.

M artha Muskego - I like it when people come to our place for Christmas dinner. The best is when we get our presents.

Sylvia Kakeesim - I like to sing C arols , and listening to the choir sing at Midnight Mass.

Armand Loth - I lke making snowmen and throwing snowballs.

Melanie McCarthy - I like to hear the people sing Cree hymns at Church.

Dorothy Cardinal - I like Jesus because Jesus was born 1900 years ago, and we celebrate his birthday.

Sam Shirt -I like sliding and hunting rabbits.

Martha Janvier - We put up the tree and decorate tand put presents around around it.

Judy Cardinal - The best thing about Christmas is having lots of fun.

Jack Houle - I like getting presents.

Francis Whiskeyjack - I like the holidays and gifts.

Percy Mooswah - I like to play.

my Unlucky visit to the neighbor's place last christmas.

A Visitor

One morning in November we had a little visit from the Inspector, Mr.Racette. He told us that he was no longer going to be the Inspector and that he was here to say good-bye. We were sad to hear that he was going to live in Edmonton. We used to sing songs for him. He enjoyed us singing for him, but now we won't be able to sing for him. Before he left he made a little speech, and told us to go through High School and be good Catholics. He wants us to keep up our good work too. He used a special word for all of us. Instead of using Teacher and pupil, he used "friends." Even though he will be gone we won't forget our good Catholic friend,

-by Melanie McCarthy&Sylvia Kakeesim.

CLASS PARTY

It was almost Hallowe'en and we were getting excited in our class. Our Teacher, Miss Doucet, said if we would obey we would have a party. The day came when our Teacher surprized us. When we came to our class after dinner Teacher put some names of actors and actresses on our backs. We had fun reading the names on others backs.We played games and sang songs, and some of us asked riddles. One of the riddles was "What runs and never reaches the door?" The answer is ,nylon stockings. Then we had lunch. Candies and ice-cream. After we finished our lunch Sister Superior came in and said she wanted to joinus. Two girls sang for Sister, then she aske Teacher to sing for us. So Teacher sang. When she was finished Teacher asked Sister to sing but she said she was too old to sing and we all laughed. She didn't want to sing so she left us. So we finished our party.

- by Judy Cardinal&Mary Ann Charland

DECORATIONS IN OUR ROOM

In our Gr.5 classroom we hav many beautiful pictures hanging on each wall. On the front wall there is a picture about an Indian s squaw and her Brave, who are being attacked by a grizzly bear. Right next to it is a picture of our Heavenly Mother. At her side is a statue of Mary. On top of the middle blackboard is the picture of Jesus hanging on the cross. Right beside it is a design of early pioneers riding in a canoe upon a dangerous rapid on a very wide river., A t the side of the room we have a big clock. There is a cactus plant on our window sill. On the other side are the letters of the alphabet. Behind this are our own drawings about flowers and outer space. At the of our boards we have little flower designs which make the board look fancy. We think our classroom is as pretty as any in the school.

-byShirley Cheecham.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Our Social Studies is all about the West Indies. The main Island in the West Indies is Cuba. Columbus was the first to land on Cuba. C O olumbus said," This is the most beautiful land that human eyes have ever beheld." It is one of the world's largest islands. It has been called,"Island of Hundred Harbours."

We learn what kind of clothes the people of the West Indies wear. They like jewelery very much. A girl may wear a necklace, a bracelet or even a ring hanging from the side of her nose. The ladies are very graceful, and beautiful. Teacher has also brought some records and we listen to th e music which is very different from ours.

We also learn about their homes and clothing.

-by Marcel Muskego& Freday Bearskin.

A PRIL FOOLS IN NOVEMBER

One day Mary A nn and I decided to fool our teacher, Mr. Linklater, Mary Ann had a case like a lipstick case,only when you opened it, it sounds like a gun going off. It really scares you! So Mary Ann andI pretendedthat we were fighting for it so that the teacher would come and take it away. Finally he saw it so he took it. We thought he was going to open it, but we were mistaken. He just put it in his pocket After awhile I got impatient so I told him,"Teacher ,will you please open that thing?" He took it out and looked at it with a funny look in his eye. I guess now he knew the trick. But guess what? He was too afraid to open it. He asked one of the boys to open it. He didn't even stand near the boy. So the boy opened it, and "Bang!" it went. Teacher just jumped up and said, "I knew it was a trick, I knew."

-by Rosalie Steinhauer.

A SKATING ADVENTURE

We went skating for the first time in a slough not far from the school. It wasn't very big, but just the same the girls liked it. Margaret Gladue, a girl from Beaver Lake, had never skated before. It was the first time on skates . Two girls were holding her. Then they would let her go. In the same spot she fell right flat on her backside. She didn't get hurt. Boy! She looked so funny trying to skate. She fell many times but never gave up. We had so much fun laughing at her. But she was a good sport. When we got back to the room she had frozen her toes. She was not the only one. Many girls had sore toes, but we all enjoyed our first skate.

-by Blanche Moses.

IF SANTA * *

Helen Berna dette Muskego - My heart is longing for Christmasso that I can find a toy piano and skates by the Tree.

Gladys Steinhauer - This Christmas I'm longing for a nice dress and a ring. O.K. Santa, will you get them for me.

Gr. 4

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Nestor Whiskeyjack - Oh! How glad I would be to get a toy train and guns under the tree.

Victor Redcrow - How tickled I would be if I saw a sleigh or gun under the Christmas tree branches.

Collin Janvier - I would be overjoyed if my Christmas surprise would be new skates.

Diane Martin - I would be agrinning girl if I would find skates and a Teddy Bear on Christmas Day.

Ronald Quinney - This Christmas would leave me very happy if I would get a gun and a little car.

Henry Houle - I would be most thankful if I would get a pair of skates and some toy soldiers.

Alex Redcrow - Santa, I'd willingly accept a toy gun and a big drum.

Joseph Cardinal - This Christmas _ would leave me very happy if I would get a pair of skates and toy guns.

Eric Paul Noel - I would be delighted to get a camera and a record player for my Christmas gift.

George Whiskeyjack - My greatest wish this year is a pair of skates and a boy's watch. I hope I'll find it in the tree.

Eileen Cardinal - I would like dear old Santa to give me these two gifts, a new pair of skates and a mystery book.

Maurice Whiskeyjack - I'll jump with joy if I get skates and a sleigh under the Christmas tree.

Danial Cardinal - Dear Santa, I hope I get something from your big bag I want a pair of skates and a pair of gloves too.

Henry David Cardinal - I would be glad to have a pair of skates.

Norman Mooswah - I would be glad to find beside the Christmas tree a sleigh a nd skates

Kenneth Makokis - A happy lad will be me if Santa is good enough to leave skates a nd hockey gloves.

Raymond Quinney - I would be glad if Santa is good enough to leave a pair of skates and a toy train.

Donald Q uinney - I would be satisfied with a toy gun and a bag of candies for Christmas.

Regina Whiskeyjack -How delighted I would be to discover a pair of skates and a box of Christmas cards under your tree.

Alvina McFeeters - This Christmas I would be the happiest girl in Frog Lake to find a view master and a pair of skates under the Christmas tree.

Edward Shirt - On Christmas Day I would be so happy to find a pair of skates and a book of Robin Hood under the Christmas tree.

Marvin John Cryer - My greatest wish this year is pair of skates and a puck under the Christmas tree.

Loretta McFeeters - Please dear Santa, if you would bring me a Big Teddy Bear and a Nurse Set I would be satisfied.

Bernice Cardinal - I honestly hope my gift will be skates & sewing set.

Lillian Giant - How grateful I will be if my wish is granted for Christmas which is a toy telephone and a sewing set.

Margaret Ann McFeeters - My greatest wish this year is a nurse set and doll dishes for Christmas.

Shirley Ann Memnook - Please Darling Santa bring me new skates and a Teddy Bear in your big bundle of packages.

Lena Piche - How I would be delighted to have a pair of skates and a watch under the Christmas tree.

Christmas wishes

Gilbert Cardinal - To Isabell Whitford, I hope you have a Christmas Holiday that's simply grand in every way.

Henry Giant - Iwish to say Merry Christmas to Peter Minoose.

Norbert Francois - Happy New Year Frank Minoose.

Herbert Cardinal - I wish you a Happy New Year Theresa Cardinal.

Norbert Grandbois - I sa y Merry Christmas to Frank Minoose.

Ronald Redcrow - Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to my friends.

Kenneth Kakiseem - I say Hello to my friends.

Louis Delver - To Prosper, I guess you will have a good holiday.

John Whiskeyjack - Merry Christmas to Fa ther Principal.

Lawrence Cardinal - I wish to say Merry Christmas to Gloria Britain.

Richard Memnook - I wish you a Merry Christmas Daddy. May God bless you.

Johnny Piche - Best wishes to our beloved Father Principal.

Rosaire Bugle - I say Merry Christmas to my dad and mother.

Tommy Piche - Dear Mommy and Daddy I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I hop you have a good holiday.

Walter Loth - Merry Christmas Mamma, Happy New Year Daddy.

The Grade Threes

A lex Cardinal - Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to Frank & Joe Cardinal.

William Desjarlais - I wish you a Happy New Year Norbert Graddbois.

Dennis Andrew - Merry Christmas to Jonas Andrew.

Eliza Mooswah - To my brother and Sister, I hope you have a good holiday.

Irene Charland - I wish a Merry Christmas to Leona & Francis and Happy New Year to Bobby and Rene.

Irene Mooswah - Best wishes to you Virginia.

Lorraine Jebeaux - I wish my friends Helen & Irene a Happy Holiday.

Nancy Delver - Do you think we will have a nice holiday?

Josephine Large - Merry Christmas to Frank Large & Martin Half.

Helen Hainault - Happy New Year to Rose and Lorraine.

Dorothy Moyah - Many Best Wishes for the Holiday Season to Mary Rose Moyah.

Rose Minoosee- Greetings of the Season and good wishes for the New Year to George W.J.

Esther Cryer - Happy New Year to Roseanna & Helen.

Betty Clara Piche - Lena, I hope you have a nice Holiday.

Irene Makokis - I wish you a Merry Christmas Virginia Makkkis.

Doreen Ja nvier - I Wish Richard and Collin a Merry Xmas.

Louisa McGilvery - To Leona Shirt, I hope you have a happy Christmas Holiday.

Judy Cardinal - I hope everyone will have aggood time at Christmas.

Allen Quinney - Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to James.

Felix Muskego - I wish a Happy Holiday Season to Maryann N.

What I will do at Christmas = Gr. 2

Simon Noel

Edward Hainault - I will play with my sisters. I will go to Midnight Mass.

John Houle - I will help my mpther clean the house. My mother and I will go to Midnight Mass.

Hector Cardinal - I am going to trap some beaver. I will help my father and my big brother work for our living.

Evelyn Redcrow - When I go home I will be kind to my parents. I want to help my mother.

Rene Cardinal - I am going to play with my little brother and sister.

Mosese Janvier - I hope I can work for my father and mother. I would like to play too.

Lazare Whiskeyjack - I will go to Church on New Years Day. Before I go to bed I will say my prayers.

Beatrice McGillvery - I will take care of my little sister and I will play.

Ernest Mooswah - I will get some water. I hope to go to Mass.

Nora Cardinal - I will play with my three dolls in the house. I will help mother make the beds.

Thomas Shirt - I am going to help my mother to wash the dishes.

Caroline Bugle - I am going to say my prayers every day. I am going to take care of the baby.

Peter Pasqueyak - I will go to Church on Christmas Day. I will help my mother to take care of the beby.

Arthur Cardinal - I am going to say my Rosary at Midnight Mass and every other day too.

Allen Pasqueyak - I will help my mother at home by fixing the room up.

Henry Moses - I am going to skate out on the ice.

Alex Cardinal - I am going to slide down the hill with my sled.

Ivan Whiskeyjack - I will play with my toy fire truck.

Larry Quinney - I hope I will say my Rosary.

Florence McCarthy - I would like to work for my mother. I will sweep.

Denis McFeeters - I will work for my grandparents. I will scrub the floor.

Louis Cardinal - I will help my mother in the house. I will play too.

Susanne Grandbois - I am going to take care of my baby sister.

Clarence Mountain - I will work in the house for my mother and father.

Alice Cardinal - I hope I can go to Midnight Mass.

Christina Lightning - I wonder what I am going to get this Christmas.

Gordon Muskego - I want to go to Midnight Masx this year.

Brian Martin - I want to have fun with my little brother and sister. I want to have a Christmas tree too.

Simon Noel - I'll work if my parents want me to work. I'll go to Mass.

Beatrice Desjarlais - I will help my mother to clean the floor and I'll wash the dishes.

Andrew Desjarlais - I will play with my little brother. I will be kind to my parents.

Charlotte Lapatak -I will tell a story to my little brothers.

Margaret Rose Mooswah - I will help my mother to take care of the baby at home.

Christmas is here
Gordon Piche

Jesus will come
Jimmy Cardinal

We will be happy
Elizabeth P.

We all like Jesus
Albert Cryer

Mary "Delver"

The Snow is here
Verna Piche

We all like it.
Richard Janvier

We can make a big
Snowman outside.

Virginia

I like school
Sylvia Cryer

I like to read.
Winnifred Nest

I like to write
MaryLouise M.

But we all like to
be home for
Christmas. Don't You ?
Clara Delver

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What is life
Without a wife?

The above doggerel was written by a poet who remains rightly anonymous, and probably monogamous. It is indicative I think, of the modern trend of our thoughts, poem-wise. Of course, in this age of compromise everything has its pros and cons, and probably the con of the above pro would be;

What is a wife
Without life?

I think this latter gem contains a deep philosophical nugget. However it eludes me at the moment. Its inexplicity seems to be in that it deals in too broad a generalization, and if I may quote George Bernard Shaw, "All generalizations are lies, including this one." G.B.S. notwithstanding, generalizations do sometimes have their place in life. Consider the following "Reflection on Ingenuity";

Here is a good rule of thumb
Too clever is dumb.

We've all been victims at one time or another of not heeding the truth contained therein. As we wander, or blunder, through life, we all too often do not heed the heedable, with the result we often err. As take the error that resulted in the need for this "Epitaph for an Explorer";

Tiger, tiger, my mistake
I thought you were William Blake.

Without a doubt this was a great tragedy. I doubt though, if it was as tragic as the following case;

The horns were loose
On the moose.

Poor creature! Yet even he may not have been as badly off as this unfortunate beast;

Up in the North, a long way off
The donkey's got the whooping cough.

I wonder what the S.P.C.A. would have to say about that, or what manner of repercussions would result should they learn the plight of this hapless individual;

Johnny Beaver
Has a fever
In his liver
Which makes him shiver.

Until I read this surprising bit of info I must confess I was baffled as to what makes people, or animals, shiver. I always thought shivers were caused by goose pimples.

While the theme of the next poem cannot be called tragedy by any stretch of the imagination, it could conceivably turn into a tragedy for me, should I get hauled in for a violation of the copyright laws;

Spring is here,
Bringing good cheer,
Robins chirp,
Frogs burp.

Nature it seems provides poets with unlimited inspiration. Probably one of the most inspired of inspirations was from the fertile brain of an eleven year poet, who wrote thusly;

The wind is blowing sofly,
Birds are singing awfly.

This equally inspired offering was from the brain of a much older, hence, presumably wiser, poet;

The cow is of the bovine ilk,
One end is moo, the other milk.

Next to Nature, man's final end also fascinates poets. While the following Elegy may not compare with the best of Thomas Gray, nonetheless, I think it contains a goodly degree of common sense, as well as uncommon sense;

Gravel, gravel, on the ground
Lying there so safe and sound,
Why is it you look so dead?
Is it because you have no head?

The next poem is positively frightening in its implications;

He that is in battle slain,
Will never rise to fight again.
But he that fights and runs away;
Willlive to fight another day.

Since we're on the subject of death, consider the following Epitaph for a Dentist;

Stranger! Approach this spot with gravity;
John Brown is filling his last cavity.

While not concerned with the earthly or eternal end of man, the following poem concerns itself with a problem more immediate in one's lifetime. I am especially intrigued by the solution offered;

"Come,come," said Tom's father,"at your time of life
There's no longer use for thus playing the rake-
It is time you should think,boy,of taking a wife."
"Why so it is, father, -whose wife shall I take?"

I think this brings us back to where we started.

HIGH SCHOOL

There are eleven pupils going to High School in St. Paul who stay here at the school and travel by bus daily to town. There are ten girls and one boy.

Here we introduce them to you:

Name - Shirley Matchatis (Gr. 11)
Address- Legoff
Dislikes - Boys that are noisy
Likes - egg sandwiches before bed
Ambition - to be an actress

Name - Marlene Matchatis (Gr. 9)
Address - Legoff
Dislikes - sleeping on her back
Likes - onion sandwiches
Ambition - to be an opera star

Name - Sylvia Cardinal (Gr. 11)
Address - Saddle Lake
Dislikes - dieting
Likes - gaining a few pounds
Ambition - to be a figure skater

Name - Annie Charland (Gr. 11)
Address - Cold Lake
Dislikes - Crees
Likes - Mice
Ambition - to be a mice hunter

Name - Joan Makokis (Gr. 10)
Address - Saddle Lake
Dislikes - fat boys
Likes - being sophisticated
Ambition - to be a pianist

Name - Cecilia Dion (Gr. 11)
Address - Beaver Crossing
Dislikes - being fat
Likes - wagging her pony tail
Ambition - to become a nun

Name - Rose Marie Cheecham (Gr. 9)
Address - Chard
Dislikes - painting,except on face
Likes - boys
Ambition - to be a psychiatrist

Name - Louise Makakokis (Gr. 12)
Address- Saddle Lake
Dislikes-mustard sandwiches
Likes - going to school
Ambition - to be a nurse

Name - Lucas Redcrow (Gr. 10)
Address - Saddle Lake
Dislikes - grenn people
Likes - taking cat naps
Ambition - to be a Montreal Canadien

Name - Emilia Cardinal (Gr. 9)
Address - Saddle Lake
Dislikes - Cabbage
Likes - Mealtimes
Ambition - to eat moose

Name - Pauline Shirt (Gr.10)
Address -Spedden
Dislikes - Cats and dogs
Likes - garlic
Ambition - to be a stewrdess

Some of our former pupils who are pursuing Higher Education include Alex Janvier who had completed High School at St. Thomas College at North Battleford, and aa Art Course at Calgary and is now with the Extension Department of the University of Alberta. John Janvier, brother of Alex, is at teh Agricultural College at Vermillion. Gerald Woods now taking Grade Twelve at Albert College. Irene Dion has resumed her studies at Hobbema. Hazel Dion Also taking Gr. 12 in Edmonton.

In our House League which we call thw Big Four League we have 4 teams;

BLACK HAWKS

Louis Lapatak -Capt.
Frank Large
Francis Whiskeyjack
Henry Dion
Eric Grambois -Goal

CANADIANS

Ned Memnook -Capt.
Oscar Whiskeyjack
Sam Shirt
Eric Large
Irvin Stanley
Kenneth Mokokis-Goal

RED WINGS

Willard Cardinal -Capt.
Charley Whiskeyjack
Henry Houle- Goal
Siebert Cardinal
Norman Mooswah
Adrian Redcrow

MAPLE LEAFS

Louis B. Cardinal -Capt.
Jack Houle
Eric Janvier
Daniel Cardinal
Maurice Whiskeyjack

So far we have not played many games but we have kept recods of games we have played.

TEAMS TEAMS	GAMES PLAYED	WON	LOST	TIED	GOALS FOR	GOALS AG'NST	TEAMS
Lack Hawks	3	3	0	0	25	5	6
Maple Leafs	3	2	1	0	6	3	4
Canadians	3	1	2	0	14	2	2
Red Wings	3	1	2	0	4	8	2

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On Wednesday 22 of December the Blue Quills hockey team played against the St.Brides hockey team and beat them by a score of 7 - 3. Louis B. Cardinal made 4 goals, Lucas Redcrow made 1, and Louis Lap made 2. It was a very cold night and there was no fans to watch the game. Coach Cardinal was very pleased with his team.

W R E N N E T T E S

Not long ago Fr. Principal decided that the girls would have Phys. Ed. at least once a week. Miss Doucet, Gr. 5 teacher, agreed to teach us. It was decided to call this group Wrennettes, and they are made up of the seventh and eigthth grade girls. The weekly periods are from 8 to 9 o'clock Monday nights. The first evening we were given turtle neck sweaters. The first practice was used to teach us to march and stand at attention. All the girls enjoyed this very much and all were anxious for more. As we got better in marching and standing straight and obeying orders we began to play games. Our teacher said this is a good place to lose weight, but I don't think any of us have too much weight to lose. We hope these periods will keep on. If we learn well enough and fast enough we may get uniforms, and will be able to march in parades like the Sea Cadets.

S E A C A D E T S

The program of the Sea Cadets is interesting and varied. One parade is held every week on Monday nights at 7 o'clock. Our training includes gunnery, footwork, seamanship, communications, ropework, Parade Drill, which includes marching, turning, standing and giving and following orders.

Arrowhead consists of fifty Cadets from Blue Quills and the town of St. Paul combined. These are under the charge of four officers, thirty navy league Cadets and 3 officers. During our parades Lieut. Mahdnik sails around to see how smoothly everything is going.

Our officers are;
Commander- Lieut. J. Mahdnik
Executive Officer-Sub.Lt.T.Cardinal
Training Officer-Sub.Lt. Poitras
Supply Officer-Su.Lt. Leroux

ARMISTICE DAY HOLIDAY

At ten forty five on Friday morning we assisted at a High Mass in honour of the dead soldiersof the two wars. A bus came to get the Sea Cadets for a military ceremony in St. Paul. We enjoyed a good dinner and went to benediction. For the first time this season we tried skating on the slough, called Smell Lake. We wondered why the bell rang suddenly. The surprise was a show , "Education Films" also "Duel in the Jungle", which got us excited. Sunday evening we all gathered in the gymnasium for an amateur hour. We had many laughs.

-by Shirley Memnook (Gr. 4)

OUR POEM

Our school hours hold plenty of fun,
Even while work is being done.
We have piles of things to do
Reading, Spelling, and 'Rithmetic too.
Language, Enterprise, and even Art,
In everything we try to put our heart.

We toil and sweat - we'll make it yet
Tograde five next year we do bet!
And so we try to do our best
To measure up in every test
Still, we find time to joke and sing,
And find it all most interesting

-Helen Muskego Gr. 4 Class Sec.

A GIFT TO YOU

They say the nicest presents
Are those you make yourself
And not those you purchase
From the storekeepers shelf.

I thought and thought but didn't know what to get.
You see I'm not a grown up Miss as yet
So I have brought you a special homemade gift.
Are you ready? Here it is

(A kiss to all you readers)

by Loretta McFeeters
Grade IV