

TELEGRAM



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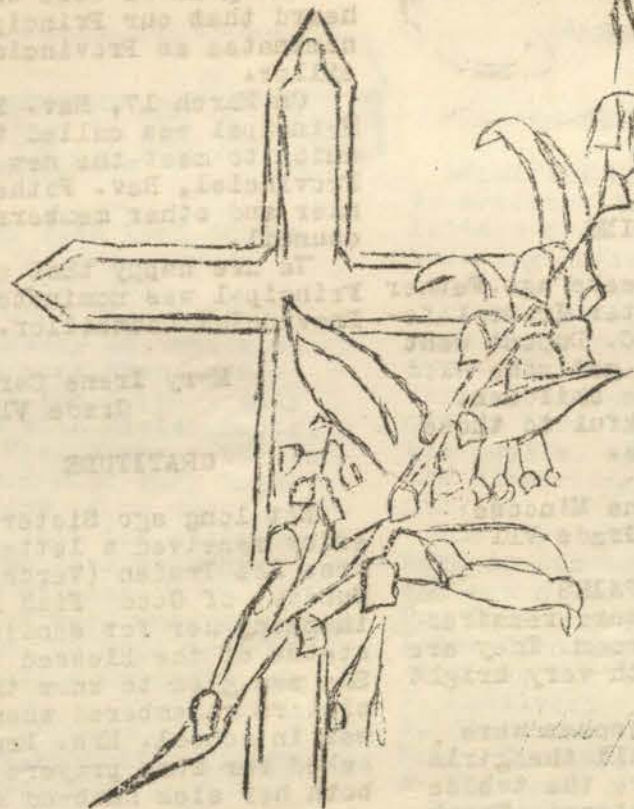
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Easter Message



Wishing you the cheer
of this joyful season



SHOPPING

About two weeks ago, Father Principal, Sister Irene Lefebvre, and Sr. C. Dupont went to Edmonton to get some new clothes for the children.

We are thankful to those who work for us.

Edna Minocse
Grade VII

NEW REPAIRS

The tables were repaired in the girls' room. They are now colored with very bright linoleum.

Also the benches were painted grey. All the girls are glad to have the tables and benches restored. Thank you, Father, for making our room look clean.

Irene Dion

Grade IV

NOMINATION OF REV. FATHER PRINCIPAL

How glad we were when we heard that our Principal was nominated as Provincial Councillor.

On March 17, Rev. Father Principal was called to Edmonton to meet the new Oblate Provincial, Rev. Father Fournier and other members of the council.

We are happy that our Principal was nominated as Provincial Councillor.

Mary Irene Cardinal
Grade VII

GRATITUDE

Not long ago Sister Superior received a letter from Mrs. Joe Pruden (Veronica Sunday) of Good Fish Lake, thanking her for sending a statue of the Blessed Virgin. She was glad to know that the sisters remembered when she was in school. Mrs. Pruden asked for some prayers for both her sick husband and children. The staff and pupils of the school have a special intention in their prayers for the recovery of those whom she dearly loves.

Doris Collins

Grade IV

DAY SCHOOLS



SPECIAL

About the middle of March we received interesting letters from Saddle Lake expressing their joy of joining us in our journal.

Many boys and girls related that their school burned down. It was nothing very serious because their school didn't burn "flat down" and the pupils were all out of the classroom within 58 seconds.

The boys and girls who were in our school last year and now go to Saddle Lake Day School are:

Peter Cardinal James Cardinal
Alphonse Makokis F. McGilvery
N. McGilvery P. Steinhauer
J. Steinhauer M. Steinhauer
Rosie Cardinal V. Cardinal
E. Meminack

We received another letter from the teacher of Good Fish Lake giving us the name and the birthdays of her pupils.

The students who were here last year and are going to Good Fish are:

Eric Cardinal Gr. 7

GOOD FISH LAKE SCHOOL

A TEACHER FOR GOOD FISH LAKE

On January 16, while we were at work, there was a knock at the door. A lady came in with Sister Superior. It was Mrs. Hughes—the teacher from Good Fish Lake.

Everyone of us were happy to hear that the children of Good Fish Lake were having a teacher at last.

She was very interested in our work. We hope that Mrs. Hughes will come again to see us.

Mary Cecile Mooswa
Grade 5

Peter Jackson Ernest Half
Sarah Cardinal

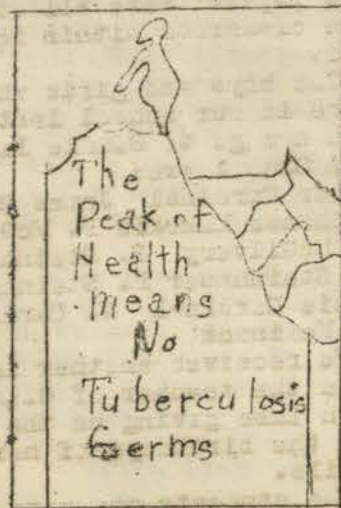
News also came from Dynevor Indian Hospital, Selkirk saying how they enjoyed our school paper.

PRIZES

About the beginning of November we wrote an Essay for a contest about T.B.. WE were all happy to take part in it and everyone got busy on making compositions and posters.

In January an answer came. We were all sitting quietly doing our work when our teacher announced the big news. "Do you remember about the compositions you wrote on T.B. Lloyd Makokis won 10 dollars for his essay. Alex Janvier received 5 dollars for his poster and Cherylene Marten 2 dollars for hers.

Congratulations to the lucky ones.



A Worth While
Club to Society
Cherylene



AT THE SINGING PERIOD

Towards the end of the singing period William Quinn has a notion of having fun. The Supervisor calls out to him "Quinn". She did not have time to say anything else nearly all the choir repeated Quinn thinking it was a word of the song.

507 Public Building,
Calgary, Alberta
January 30th, 1950

Reverend Father E. Bernet-Rollande
Blue Quills Residential School,

Dear Father Rollande:

The Alberta Tuberculosis Association has advised this office that Sister Cecile Bandet's room won third prize in the recent essay competition and Alex Janvier won first prize in the poster competition, and Cherry Marten won third prize on the same competition.

Hearty congratulations to your Institution and particularly to those who were successful in these competitions.

Blue Quills took more prizes than any other Indian School in the Province.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely,

G.H. Gooderham,
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

KIDDIE'S



OUR BIRD ENTREPRISE

We are now studying about the birds. We know already about the crow, the robin, the blackbird and the blue-bird. We have a bird book and we color pictures of the birds. We also write in our book.

William Makakis
Grade 11

The birds are coming now. I am so glad! Soon we are going to see the crow and the robin. I am hoping to see the first crow and if I do I will tell it to all my class.

Charlie Smallface
Gr. 11



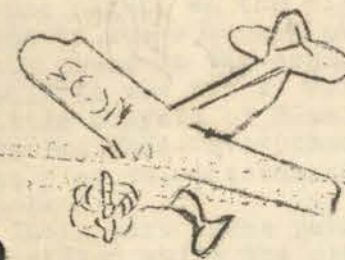
Sister! Nelson took my clip to put in his hair.



After a spelling test in which he had 100%, Nelson turned a summersault. Teacher: What are you doing? Nelson: That's what Charlie Chaplin does when he is happy.

Our teacher Sister Agnes Sutherland left us in the month of February to go to Montreal. We were very sorry to see her go.

Joyce Machatis, Gr 11



OUR TRIP TO ROME

In our classroom we each have an airplane for the roll of honor. It will go up every week if we are good. We have to work hard to reach the airport of Rome.

August Dion
Grade 11

BLUE-QUILL'S HILL

Teacher: Blue Quills takes a capital letter because it is the name of a place. Now, does "hill" take a capital also? Pupil: Yes, because at home we live on a hill.

OUR PARTY

After Christmas we had a party. Grade one came to our class. We played many games. After, our teacher, Sister A. Sutherland gave us a picture show. We had a lunch before going away. We enjoyed our party very much. Our new teacher, Sister Lucille Gamache promised us another party the week after Easter if we are good.

Josephine Janvier
Grade 11

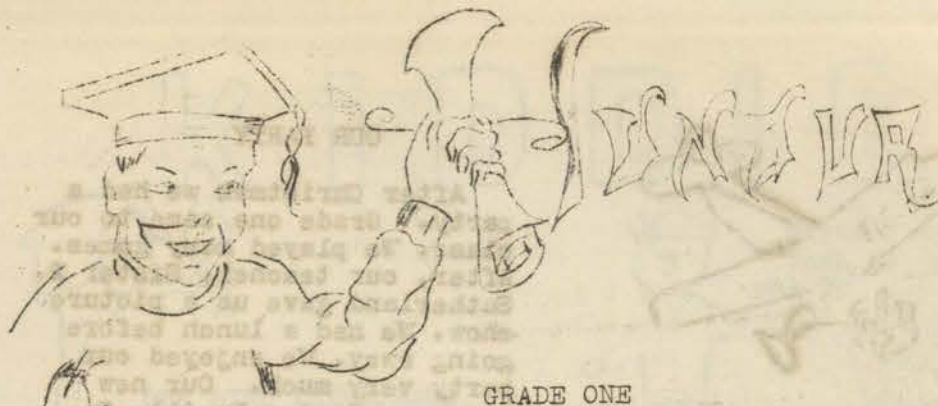
AFTER THE PARTY

Felix: (age 5)- Sister, we had so much fun! Sister: What did you do? Felix: We played with the Girls...

Thank you Sister Superior for coming to hear us read. We also thank you for the nice pictures some of us received.

The Grades 1 and 11.

CORNER



GRADE ONE

MARY REDCROFT

GRADE TWO

DOROTHY CRANE

GRADE THREE

LILIAN METCHES

GRADE FOUR

MARGARET LAPATAK

GRADE FIVE

GLADYS PAUL

GRADE SIX

CAROLINE MCGILVERY

GRADE SEVEN

ALEX DANIEL CHARLAND

GRADE EIGHT

ELIZABETH CARDINAL

THE PEE-WEES

One of the most valuable types of exercise is one that develops the muscles of the body. Hockey does it.

One night, we the bigger boys went to see a hockey game that took place in the arena at St. Paul. It was fun to watch the little players of Blue Quills, the Pee Wees. Everytime there was a score, we screamed and cheered.

There were three periods and we skated while the players rested.

When the game was over the boys went in the dressing room to untie their skates. We all came home gladly for we had won the game with a score of 9-1.

Lloyd Makakis

Grade 7

RETURN GAME

On Febr. 18, St. Paul Pee-Wees came for the Return Game of hockey. The first period that scored 2-0, and toward the end of the game, the score was 4-2, again in favor of St. Paul Team. Our boys kept on trying hard, but it was hopeless, for the St. Paul Pee-Wees had won the game.

Some of the St. Paul boys' fathers came, also Rev. Father Teteault from the parish.

George McFeeters

Grade VII

THE HOCKEY GAME AT ST. PAUL

During the month of Feb. we had been staying up late to sew sheets. We had sewn 350 sheets in all. It took us three days to do them. After High Mass on Sunday, Father Principal told us that we deserved a reward.

He asked us what we would like to have.

"A sleigh ride," some said.

"A bingo," said others.

We could never guess that he had in mind to bring us to see the hockey game at St. Paul that afternoon.

We left at 2.30 p.m. and were joyfull and gay and ready for the town just on time to the game start. It was the St. Paul Hornets against High School boys. We enjoyed the game so much that we hardly believe it when it came to an end. The High School boys won and we cheered them.

It was a very pleasant afternoon. We thank Father for being so good to us and for granting us so many favors.

Elizabeth Cardinal

Grade 8

THE TRIP TO EDMONTON

On March 7, we went to Edmonton to have our eyes examined by Doctor Wannop. We went with Rev. Father Rolland, principal, and Rev. Father Michaud.

On the way we stopped by a place called "Elk Island Park", and we saw the buffaloes. It was the first time that I was seeing these.

When we reached Edmonton we went to Charles Cassell Hospital to have our dinner. We saw a few persons whom we knew.

We certainly enjoyed our trip to the Capital and were very glad to have our kind Principal, who does so much for us.

Eve Cardinal
Grade 6

TRAVELLING AROUND THE CITY

We three girls, Betsy Houle, Eva Cardinal and I were in a car riding through Edmonton.

There were many cars, trucks, buses and street cars at every corners.

From the Charles Cassell Hospital, we went to the McLeod Building. Dr. Wannop was the one who

examined our eyes.

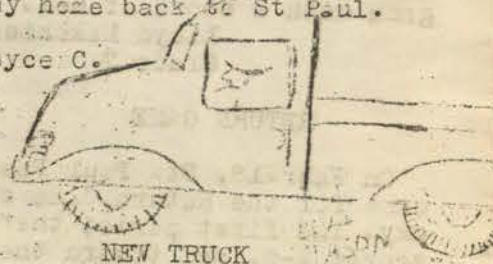
Later, we went back to the Hospital, and then to the Tagler Building to have our glasses fitted.

We spent one night in the hospital. In the wards we knew some girls from our reserve and we were very glad to see them. It was the first time that we heard Eskimo and the Blackfoot Indians talk their own language.

Betsy and Eva found it so strange to be in a city for the first time.

Father Principal came for us and soon we were on our way home back to St. Paul.

Joyce C.



Around Christmas time Rev. Father Le Calvez, from the Saddle Lake Mission, bought a nice, nice red truck and sold his old jeep.

Now and then the people from the reserve come with him in his new truck to see their children.

Joe Rederow and some others had fun in trying to learn how to drive the jeep. Thanks to Father Le Calvez.



SHINERS

This is the season of shiners. Several boys had black eyes during this nasty hockey term. During recreation hour, a cry was heard from the busy rink. Of course it was a black eye.

Would you like to have a shiner? "No", likely would be the answer. But I had one

Alex Janvier
Grade VII

THE LITTLE KNITTERS

The girls of grades 2, 3, & 4 are very busy just now. What are they doing you may ask? They are knitting boys' socks. Many are finished their first pair. I have already knitted four pairs. I hope the boys will be proud to wear them next winter.

Emilie Bugle

Grade IV

MASTER'S OPERATION

On the 15th of March, as our master, Mr. A. Cardinal did not come Sr. came to the room and said that he had been operated. He had been very sick at 11:30 that night. He was brought to the hospital immediately and was operated at 3 p.m.

We surely miss him for he has been keeping us for about three years. May God accept our prayers for him so he will regain his health and be back with us soon. We give our sympathy to Mrs. A. Cardinal and Family.

Grades VI and VII boys

NO MORE VISITORS

Our school is closed on account of scarlet fever which was making its ravage in the surrounding schools.

On a Saturday, while we were working all the hockey players were talking about going to St. Paul. Father

Principal came in carrying a card marked "Quarantine"

We were really surprised to see that. We were lucky we didn't have the disease. There were about one hundred cases in town. Now we are glad the school is open again and our parents can come to see us.

George McFeeters,
Grade VII

A Friendly Happy Birthday

FEBRUARY

- 6-- Cheryline Marten
- 8-- Mary Shirt
- 8-- Charlie Smallface
- 9-- Herman Cardinal
- 13-- Simon Large
- 13-- Rosie Charland
- 16-- Josephine Janvier
- 18-- Catherine Pasquayak
- 20-- William Makokis
- 22-- Florence Lateman
- 24-- Norman Scani
- 26-- Ernest Half (GHL)
- 26-- Harry Sparklingeyes
- 28-- Alex Janvier

MARCH

- 2-- Lilian Shirt
- 10-- Eve Lewis
- 14-- Mildred Steinhauer
(Saddle Lake)
- 17-- Stanley Half (SS)
- 18-- Emilia Bugle
- 20-- William Quinn
- 22-- Margaret Lapetak
- 28-- Bella
Whiskyjack
- 31-- Joyce Matchatis

OUR HIRED GIRL

Catherine Loth from Le-Goff is back with us to help our cook, Sister Rivard. Everybody is glad to see her again for she makes such delicious things.

Cherylene Martin
Grade VII

MENDING STOCKINGS

Twice a week twenty girls go to mend the boys' stockings.

One Saturday afternoon Sr. I. Schwartzenger took us out to skate as a reward. It was lots of fun. We hope that we will get another reward soon.

Aldina McFeeters,
Grade IV

DOCTOR STONE'S VISIT

A month ago on February 1, Doctor Stone came to visit the children. He went to the girls' room. We were very glad to see our old friend again. His visit wasn't very long but we hope he will stay longer next time.

George McFeeters
Grade VII

HOCKEY GAME

We went to St Paul on March 30, to take part in a hockey game. We won, the score was 3-0. Donald Whiskyjack, Noel Charland and I were the ones that made the points. This was our last game for the season, but we hope that next year we are going to play with them many times.

David McGilvery
Grade IV

TOBOGGANS

Reverend Father Principal bought six toboggans for the boys and girls. It is fun to slide down the hill. We greatly appreciate them. Thanks, Father, for having given us such a lovely gift.

David McGilvery
Grade IV

CORRESPONDENCE

One day our Supervisor asked if someone would like to correspond with a girl named Margaret Joseph from Prince Rupert, B.C. I was very glad to do it. Marg. is suffering very much. She has been in a cast for 3 years. I am anxious to hear from her again. Elizabeth Cardinal
Grade VIII

MEMORIO STOCKINGS

Twice a week twenty
 girls go to mend the boys'
 stockings.
 One Saturday afternoon
 Mr. J. G. H. H. H. H. H.
 took us out to mend as a
 reward. It was lots of fun
 We hope that we will
 get another reward soon.

Albino Hobbler,
 Grade IV

NOODLE GAME

We went to St Paul on
 the take part in
 the game. We won the
 3-0. Donald
 and I were the ones that
 won the game. This was
 the first game for the new
 year we are going to play
 with them many times.

David McIlwain,
 Grade IV

CORRESPONDENCE

One day our supervisor
 asked if anyone would like
 to correspond with - girls
 named Margaret Joseph from
 Prince Rupert, B.C.
 I was very glad to do so.
 Margaret is writing very
 much and has been in a class
 for 3 years. I am anxious to
 hear from her again.
 Elizabeth Cardinal
 Grade VII

OUR FIRST GIRL

Catherine last from her
 girl in back with us to help
 her work. Sister Rivers.
 Everybody is glad to see her
 again for she makes such
 delicious things.

Charlene Martin
 Grade VII

DOCTOR STONE'S VISIT

A month ago in February
 Doctor Stone came to visit
 the children. We went to the
 girls' room. We were
 glad to see our
 again. His visit
 long but we hope
 they longer next time.

George Macdonald
 Grade VII

TOBACCO

Reverend Father Patrick
 had brought old tobacco for
 the boys and girls. It is
 fun to slice down the hill.
 We greatly appreciate them.
 Thanks, Father, for
 having it for us such a
 lovely gift.

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Dear Children,

Here goes another school year, well begun under the good influence of the Family Rosary Crusade. We have had the great privilege to see and to hear Reverend Father Payton C.S.C. himself explain to us that only through prayer to our Lady, we can obtain peace in our lives and peace to the world.

- Many of you have signed the pledge to say your beads daily; keep your promise faithfully and the blessings of God will remain upon you and your dear ones at home.

But here in school, we are members of one big family, and I am sure Christ who said "Where there are two or three gathered together for my sake, there I am in the midst of them", will always be the Lord of our school, showering His blessings of peace, health, happiness and prosperity to all its members.

I entrust you all in the hands of our Blessing Lady.
Father E. Barret-Rollande
Principal

Dear Parents:

This is a special address to you, our beloved parents, who have done so much for us that we'll never be able to repay it all. We sometimes think that it would be nice to be with you all the time, and we all know that it is a big sacrifice for you to let us go this far from you, but it's for our own good that you do this, for our own education and future.

It is very kind of you to come and see us once in a while. Some of you, dear parents, come from far away with a team of horses and a wagon. It must be hard at times. But you love us so much that you do it just the same. You have all the heart to come in the cold weather just to see your children. We are very happy and thankful that you do so much for us, and we will do our best to learn as much as we can to thank you for it.

Sometimes we receive letters from our devoted parents. We are always glad to hear from them.

Now just to show you that we don't lose our time here, we will tell you what we do. First of all, and most important, we learn how to pray and how to behave. The girls go to school half a day and spend the other half either in the sewing room learning how to sew or in the kitchen learning how to cook or somewhere else learning to do all sorts of useful things. The boys, when not in school make themselves useful at the barn or elsewhere. They also do a lot of woodwork; maybe some day they will be carpenters. Dear Parents, you may judge our work by the Exhibition prizes that we receive.

All this does not mean that we work and work all day like slaves. Oh! no! We play many times a day and have plenty of fun. Even our work is fun at times. It is good for us to play outside in God's fresh air and sunshine. In summer we play ball or on the swings and all other sorts of games. In winter we are lucky to have a skating rink where we can play hockey.

Just to conclude, we would like to tell you dear Parents, brothers and sisters, that we love you and think of you very often.

Your loving children.

EXHIBITION PRIZES

Girls

Last year we made articles for the exhibition. They were sent to Calgary, Edmonton, and St. Paul to be exhibited.

On the 7th of Oct. Father Principal gave us the money for the prizes. Elizabeth Cardinal had the most, \$7.32; Caroline McIlvery had \$1.25 and Lillian Macneil had \$1.15 and I 50¢. There were many others who received prizes too.

After Father had given us the money, he asked if there were any who made anything but had received no prize. There were about 8 girls, so Father gave them \$2.00 to share.

After that they added all the money and found out that the girls alone had \$26.21.

Edna Minoose Gr. 7

Boys

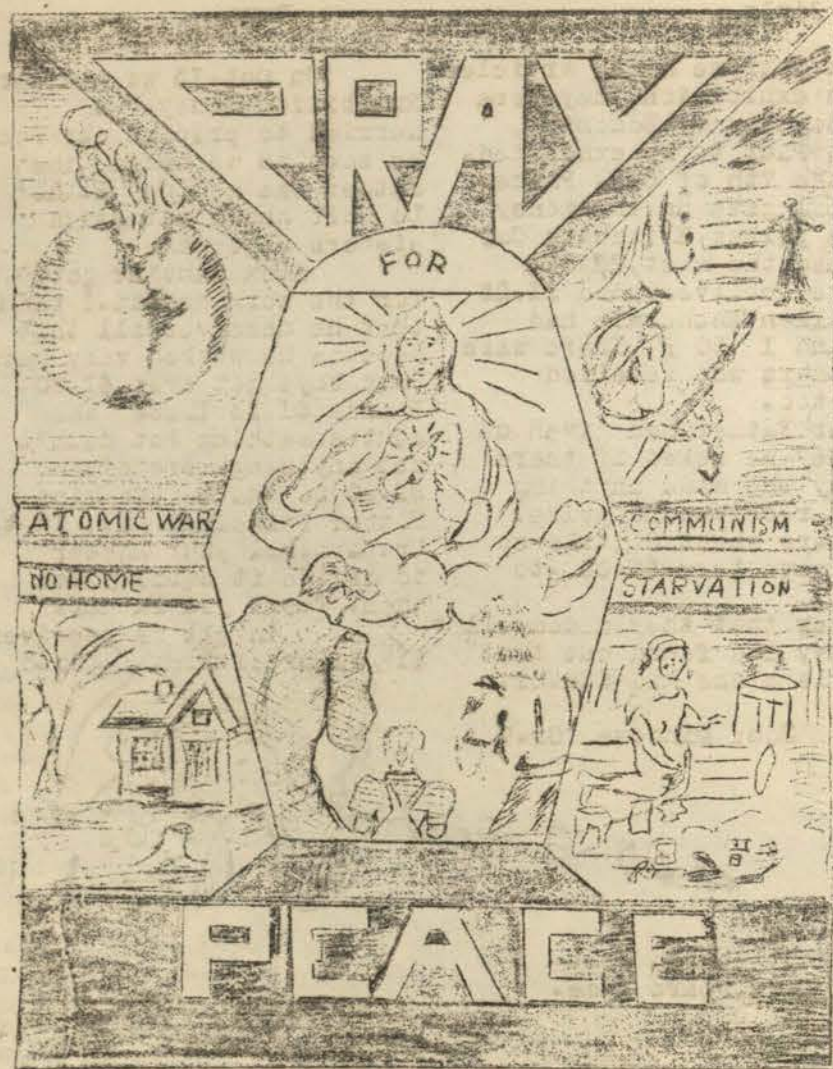
On Oct. 13 we got our Exhibition money. We hurried to prepare our room as soon as we heard that Father was coming. Father Le Goff and about seven sisters also came.

Alex Janvier got \$9.13 for the work he did. I think that he deserves all that because he worked very hard. Some boys got over \$1.00. I made \$1.13. Those who sent something but didn't get anything were given \$2.00 to share. Our kind Father Principal gave it to Mr. Cardinal, our Master to divide it equally for them. Thank you Father.

In all we received \$19.13. Marcel Pichon Gr. 5

Look what George does during his spare time.





Alex Janvier

CRUSADERS AT ST. PAUL

ON Sept. 18 at 3 P.M. we left in the truck to go to the St. Paul rally. The real rally had been put off till Oct. 2 on account of bad weather. But the people met at the church to pray had heard Rev. Father Peyton.

It started with the entry of the bishop, priests and many men. Then the girls came in. The church was filled with people. We also saw sisters of several different communities.

The bishop gave a sermon. Then Father Peyton spoke about the Immaculate Heart of Mary for about half an hour. He told us about himself when he was a boy. When a boy he saw his own father and mother kneel in prayer, and so he followed their good example. When he was thirty-two he was ordained a priest with his younger brother.

It wasn't a very nice day because it was rather windy and cold but we didn't mind.

At the end of a beautiful day, we went to bed happy with thoughts that will live for a long time in our memories.

We also hope they will bear their fruits.

Elizabeth Cardinal
Gr. 8

BLUE QUILLS SCHOOL WELCOMES FATHER P. PEYTON

About two or three weeks ago on Sept. 18, Father Peyton, director of the Rosary Crusade came to visit us with his Excellency Bishop Maurice Baudoux and Mgr. Routhier.

They had their supper here with many fathers from St. Paul. After supper Father Peyton came up to thank the sister. Our teacher showed him a poster representing the results of family prayer, which our artist Alex Janvier had made. He was surprised and greatly pleased to see what Indian children can do.

Mary Shirt Gr. 5

"THE ROAD TO PEACE"

We had a show here the other day. For my part I'll say it's one of the best shows I've ever seen.

Bing Crosby spoke to us and told us a few things that we should do. After that Ann Blythe introduced Rev. Father Peyton.

He spoke to us about the peace we would have if every body followed the right road and prayed in this world.

How nice it would be to have peace then everybody would be happy.

MASS IN THE OPEN-AIR

On October 1 many people came from LeGoff and Cold Lake and elsewhere for the rally.

There were five trucks in all. The next day we had High Mass outside in front of our school. Reverend Father Principal officiated and gave the sermon.

We were glad to see all our parents and friends here for the rally.

Irene Dion Gr. 4

RALLY AT ST. PAUL

After Mass we had our dinner and began to get ready for the rally at St. Paul. When we got there everybody was ready to start the procession. We started from the Cathedral. Our Bishop His Excellency Bishop M. Baudoux and Bishop F. Carroll of Calgary were there too. Dr. Ayotte was acting chairman of the Family Rosary Committee. A priest from Glendon spoke in Ukrainian.

We enjoyed the rally in spite of the cold weather. Millions of thanks to Father for taking us to St. Paul.

Alex Janvier Gr. 7

INDIAN GIRLS FORM PART OF THE LIVING ROSARY

Ten girls from Blue Quills left at about 2:30 P.M. in Father Principal's car.

He brought were going to have the honour of being part of the living rosary.

At the school we put on our dresses, made of red paper. We took our places with the girls representing the Scrowful Mysteries. Then the procession started. We said the Rosary, and sang a lovely hymn to our Blessed Lady after each decade until we got to the baseball grounds where the procession ended.

There we saw angels sometimes standing, sometimes sitting, sometimes kneeling in prayer before the statue of the Blessed Virgin standing on the ball of the earth.

On each side of the Blessed Virgin were roses of all kinds of colors which our kind Mother loves to shower upon those who say the rosary.

Several cars followed us on the way. Some were beautifully decorated. On the side of a special big one was written "Queen of the Family Rosary Pray for us." On it were also angels and a statue of our Lady.

While we were still admiring her crowds of

people surrounded us. Soon His Excellency Bishop M. Baudoux gave the French sermon. Then Bishop Carroll addressed a few words in English. These sermons helped us to understand the importance of saying the rosary everyday.

Then the 150 girls forming the living Rosary began saying the beads through a loud speaker carried from one girl to another by a man. The Hail Mary's were said in French, English, Ukrainian or whatever the language of the speaker.

This pious celebration made a lasting impression upon each one of us.

Jane Louise Gr. 6

OUR ROSARY PLEDGE

We signed our Rosary Pledge on Oct. 11. All who wished were free to sign their promise in the library. Alex Janvier and Eric Cardin al were in charge. I am sure the Blessed Virgin is glad that we willingly promised to say our rosary everyday. Afterwards we each received a picture of our Lady as a reminder to be faithful to our promises.

Charlie Wood Gr. 4

WHAT THE ROSARY MEANS TO ME.....

This is what the rosary means to me. It is just like a golden stream with sixty stones. To step on each stone every day will bring us to the beautiful shore of a wonderful lake. And this is what I mean: the sixty stones is the chain of beads that will bring us to the golden shores of heaven.

Saying our rosary daily will bring happiness to our homes and hearts, especially if we pray together.

In order to keep our pledge we must mean what we say and what we ask of our Lady and of the Family Rosary. There are many things that prayer can do. It will bring back the Families together because when we all pray together we may be sure that our Blessed Mother is with us. We should also pray for all the sinners. If we save one person we may be sure that they will remember us once they are in heaven. God will no doubt also prevent another terrible world war by answering our prayers. So let us not forget to pray for peace.

Children too should say the rosary everyday. It takes only ten minutes and God certainly loves to hear little children praying to His blessed Mother. If we want our rosary

Crusade to be a success we must make make sacrifices to ask God's blessings so that one day everybody in the whole world will live for the glory of God and Mary. Then they will reign in every body's homes and hearts.

Cherlyne Martin
Gr. 7



INOCULATION

On Oct. 12 some of the boys and girls were inoculated for diphtheria. During recess Rev. Sister Castello gave some cards to Mr. Alex Cardinal our master. He called out our names and up we went to the infirmary. As soon as we saw the nurses we knew the reason for this was not the first time we were to get inoculated. We bravely lifted our shirt sleeves ready for the needle.

We are very fortunate

to be inoculated for diphtheria for we wouldn't like to catch the terrible disease by all means.

George McFeeters

Gr. 7



WHO LIKES OYSTERS?

One Sunday afternoon, during my summer holidays we went to Beaver Lake to swim immediately after benediction.

While we were swimming we saw some oysters in the water. Oh! Boy! Diving for oysters was a whole lot more fun than swimming. In a short time we picked a whole bunch of them.

While we were swimming my mother cooked them. I'm telling you they were indeed delicious.

After supper we started for home. After milking the cows we spent the evening reading and playing games.

Alex Janvier Gr. 7

OTHER VISITORS

The second week of school on September 9, Mr. Racette, the school inspector from St. Paul, Mr. Jacobson, Guidance Supervisor of the St. Paul Inspectorate and another distinguished gentleman came to pay us a little visit.

There weren't very many pupils in the class yet but we were numerous enough to sing them a hearty welcome song. We were very glad to see them and they were happy to see us too. The inspector asked us when we wanted him to come back again. We told him that we would be glad to see him back before Christmas but he asked if it would be alright if he would return only after Christmas instead and we again answered "yes".

After that they said good-bye and we bid them farewell. They went out to visit the other classes. We hope they will come again because we enjoyed their visit very much.

Mary Irene Cardinal
Grade 7

Mother General's Visit

Mother General's visit was indeed a pleasant one for all of us--children and staff of Blue Quills. It

was in the morning of Sept. 8 that she arrived.

At night all the children in the Girl's Room prepared to sing a song of welcome to our visitors. After the song of welcome Mother General thanked us. The next morning she left us the picture of a postulant, an Eskimo girl who became a grey nun. We all thought it was wonderful to see an Eskimo nun.

We greatly appreciated Mother General and Mother Provincial's visit and their great kindness to us. We all hope that they will come again.

Cherlyne Martin
Grade 7

WELCOME OLD TIMERS BACK

We are happy to welcome back Sr. C. Dupont, and Sr. I. Chartier who left Blue Quills a few years ago and Sr. L. Poirier also returns after a year's absence.

Sr. Y. Gingras arrived to replace Sr. F. Gamache who left for Montreal in Aug. with her cousin Sr. L. Gamache for Grade 2 teacher.

Sr. B. Dumoulin left for Portage La Loche as superior and Sr. A. Potvin is now teaching in Beauval.

We heartily thank those who have done so much for us.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct.

Yvonne
John ..3

Gelin
Sardinal 8

Irene
Gladue ..9

Sophie
Cardinal 10

Francis
Fiche ...10

Redcrow II

Charland I5

Oliver
Whiskyjack 17

Try
Youngchief 20

Frank
Charland 23

Ursula
Shirt 27

Albina
Cardinal 28

HONOR ROLL

Grade VIII
Elizabeth Cardinal

Grade VII
Edna Minoose

Grade VI
Caroline McGilvery

Grade V
Gladys Paul

Grade IV
Irene Dion

Grade III
Doris Collins

Grade II
Clark Cardinal

Grade I
Rosie Charland

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nov.

Mary Rose
White ...2

Doris
Collins ...2

Emma Alice
Cardinal 4

Eva
Redcrow ..16

Rita
Brighteyes 19

Alphonse
Bugle ...20

Pauline
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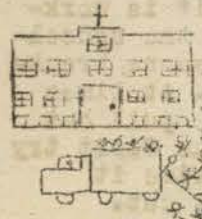
Leonard
Crane ...30



BACK TO SCHOOL

I am very happy to be back to school again. Father Principal came for us with the big truck. We had lots of fun riding in it. I am in grade 2 now and I work hard everyday to do my work well.

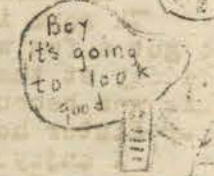
August Dion Gr.2



DURING THE HOLIDAYS

I had lots of fun at home. I played with my little brother and sisters. I helped my mother to do the work too but I got taller and fatter just the same.

Hazel Dion Gr.2



SOMETHING NEW

There is something new in the chapel. Do you know what it is? It is an electric clock.

Charlie Smallface Gr.2

Felix is proud of his first lesson.



August..Boy, sister we are learning lots of new sings now..



Not only Little Miss Muffet got frightened when she saw the big black spider....Look at Emelia.

Gabriel Gladue

Gr.1

NEW TRACTOR

WE expected to see our old tractor when we came back but instead we saw a



MY HOLIDAYS

We were indeed very happy to get a few weeks added to our holiday at the end of June. This was because we did not take our Easter holidays.

I enjoyed my holidays very much. I tried my best to help my mother with all the housework.

My sisters and I also helped mother make little clothes for my baby sister.

There was a big baseball game on one Sunday. Before going we went to mass. When we got there men and women were already singing. We also assisted at Benediction which was immediately after mass. Then we played ball after dinner. We all left smiling for we had enjoyed our afternoon.

Jenny Shirt Gr.5

brand new one. Our Principal made a bargain to get a new tractor and a cultivator.

At present it is working in front of the school doing its share breaking up the soil. At times it is unable to pull out the stumps at the first try but the second time it jerks them right out.

We are very glad to have it as it is the farmer's greatest helper greatest worker.

Alex Janvier
Gr.7

Why do you call your pig ink?

George..Because he is always running out of my pen.



NEW POTATO MACHINE

We are not going to peel potatoes from now on and we will be able to get more fresh air. How glad we are to have a potato machine. It does not take long to peel them. All we have to do now is to remove the eyes and wash them. Many thanks to those who have given us the potato machine.

Eva Lewis, Gr. 4

TWO TRIPS FOR POTATOES

As we did not have enough potatoes for one year Father Principal and Mr. R. Reuther went

For a load to Lac La Biche and the second time they went to Meadow Lake. Thank you Father for all you are doing for us.

Margaret Lapatak
Gr.4

PICNIC FOR GIRLS and BASEBALL FOR BOYS

One Sunday afternoon early in September we asked for picnic and were lucky enough to get it. The girls went to Owl Lake. They played and went in the water and had a good supper by the fire and had a real time all afternoon.

same afternoon we went to St. Paul to see a baseball game. We greatly enjoyed our afternoon too and we hope to see hockey games soon. A hearty thank you to all who provided these pleasures for us.

Colin Cardinal
Gr.4



REQUIEM MASS

On October 2, we had a Requiem Mass for Reverend Father Balter, O.M.I. Reverend Father Le Goff officiated. The priests from St. Paul also came.

Father Balter died in St. Therese Hospital a year ago. He had worked many years for us and our people.

We are very thankful for all he did for us, so we do not forget him in our prayers.

Emelia Bugle
Gr. 4

SHOPPING TO EDMONTON

A few weeks ago, Father Principal, Sister Superior and Sister Irene Lefebvre went to Edmonton in the brand new car to do some shopping for us.

When they came back the car was loaded with all sorts of things for us, but they were certainly tired after such a long trip.

We sincerely thank our devoted Father Principal and the sisters for all they brought.

Joyce Cardinal
Gr. 8

The word "impossible" is a word for lazy, lousy looking tough humbugs.

Alex Janvier
Gr. 7

A NEW CAR

Reverend Father Principal bought a new wine coloured car. It is a special kind called a Station Wagon. There is plenty of room in it. It can carry more passengers than the one he had before. Father also brings freight in it from the station. I am very anxious to get a ride in it. Many boys and girls have already tried it.

Frank Charland



OUR SICK ONES

Three pupils went to the hospital since the beginning of the year.

Charlie Wood went for a broken leg. He is still walking with crutches and he seems to be quite an expert on them too.

Victoria Brighteyes has a cast on her right wrist but we hope that she will be able to get it off soon.

Annie Cryer went for treatment.

We wish them all the best of health very soon.

David McGilvery Gr. 4

THANKSGIVING



Harvest of the Golden Chest

Harvest of the golden wheat
Leaves to brilliant colours turning
Thankful for spring's Promise filled
Yule log in the fireplace burning.

Looking back at end of year
Seeing all the happy hours
Christmas, Thanksgiving,
Hallowe'en
First day of school
and teacher's flowers.

Velve Stuart.

JUST TO LAUGH

The sitter met the little boy she was going to take care of.

"Do you go to school?" she asked.

"New," said the little tough. "I'm sent!"

Little Rosie was telling her mother about a little boy in school.

"What's his name," her mother asked.

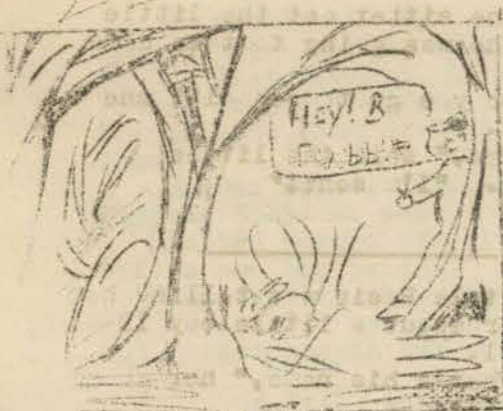
"His whole name," said Rosie "is Jimmy Sitdown- at least that's what the teacher said."

Teacher: "Johnny, give me a sentence using the word 'careless'."
Johnny: "People who drive recklessly die a sight quicker than those who stop, look, and listen."

"Why, Bridget," exclaimed the housewife, "I can write my name in the dust here."

"Deed, ma'am," replied Bridget "that's morn I can do. There's nothin' loike bein' educated afther all, is ther?"

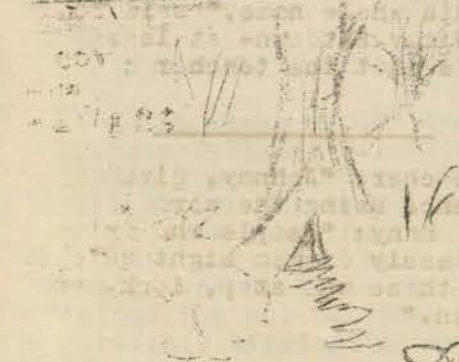
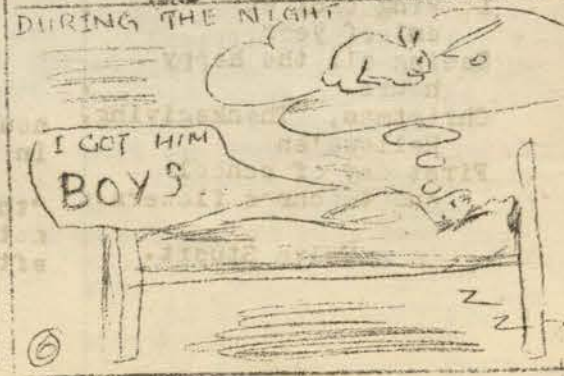
HUNTING DAYS...



LATER WHEN THEY APPROX. TO THE SCHOOL TIME BOYS ARE SKIPPING THEM



DURING THE NIGHT

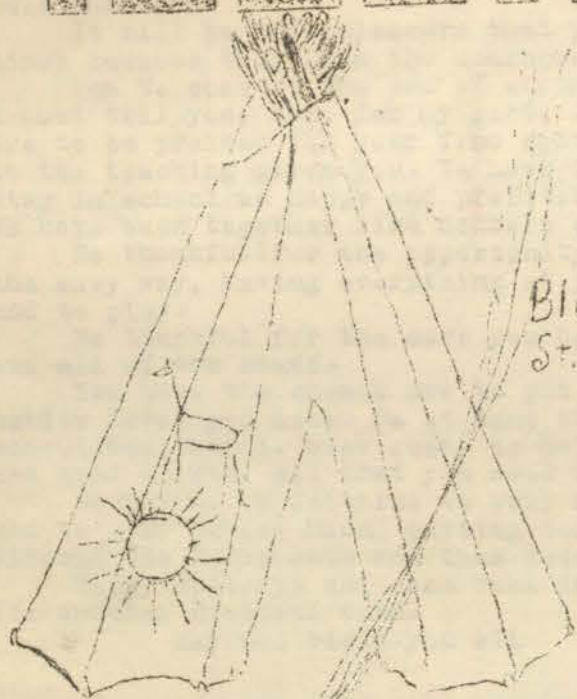




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TELEGRAM

Happy Holidays

Dear children:

It will be with pleasure that you'll read these few lines because they mean the nearness of the holidays.

Yes We come to the end of another school term, and I must tell you, how, for my part, I have liked it. You are to be praised for your fine spirit and your response to the teaching given you. We have tried to make your stay in school as happy and profitable as can be, and we have been together like members of a big family.

Be thankful for the opportunity you have to learn the easy way, having everything at your disposal to study and to play.

Be thankful for the care you have received from each and all of the Staff.

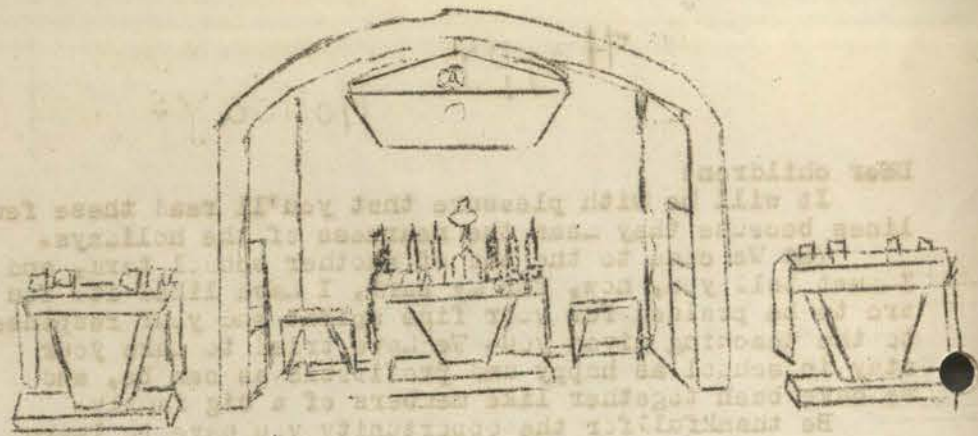
You have the chance now to put to a test the good habits developed here. Be at home what you have been at school: Respectful, ever ready to help, anxious to learn and good sports. All that you need to be good citizens.

Be pious, be faithful to your daily prayers, Rosary and to your Sunday Mass, putting God in your lives, through the Sacraments and thus being true Christians.

Happy Holidays and come back in time in September for another fruitful term.

May God bless you all

The Principal



CHANGES IN THE CHAPEL

Quite a while before Easter, Brother Kacl had been very busy making tomb shaped altars. Finally the main liturgical altar was ready. So the men, after taking a day or two to take out the old one, were soon at work painting the whole sanctuary, including the ceiling. After this was done the new linoleum was put on the floor.

How nice it was to see the new altar and batiachin!

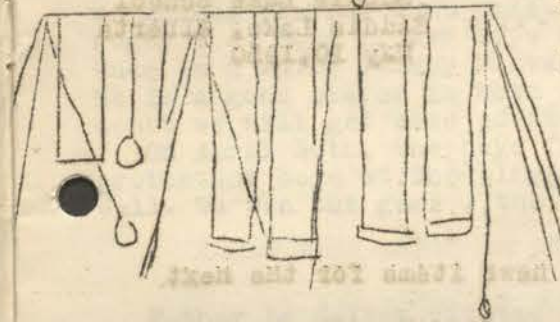
But the two side alters, made like the main one were not put in the chapel till later for they were not finished. Neither was the new tabernacle.

All this wonderful work was done by Rev. Brother Kacl with the help of Father Principal and the decorations done by our artist, Alex Janvier.

The old altar was moved to the Saddle Lake church and the altar that was there was moved to Goodfish Lake Church.

Sophie Cardinal
Grade VII

Swings



Our New Swings

We have new steel swings this spring. They're all nice. We have lots of fun with them. The boys have six and we have eight. The pupils are happy to have them. Sincere thanks to Reverend Father Principal for buying the swings.

Dorothy Whiskyjack,
Grade III

Off and On

This is the third time that we are in quarantine for measles. We do hope that the card shall be off the front door for good, for we are anxious to see our parents.

Irene Dion,
Grade IV

A Pleasant Concert

We pupils of Blue Quills had the opportunity to honor our superior. Getting ready for the concert was exciting.

Visitors from St Paul came His Excellency Bishop Baudoux and other priests who had come for supper stayed for the festival. Sisters and friends were also present.

Now the concert itself. At the opening we sang a feast song. A Spiritual Bouquet immediately followed. Most interesting was the play of "Our Lady of Lourdes." There were several interesting entertainments accompanying these.

At the close of the concert we sang "God Save the King." After Rev. Father Principal gave a little speech. He remarked that Rev. Sr. Sup. was indeed like a mother to us, always looking after our welfare; and that we should pray that she may stay among us for a good long while.

His Excellency was next to speak. He also extended his wishes with ours. He told us to keep up with the good work we are trying to do. The boys he congratulated for the many baseball games they had won since the beginning of spring. His speech was followed by a blessing.

Elizabeth cardinal
Grade 8

SADDLE LAKE NEWS

Saddle Lake School
Saddle Lake, Alberta
May 10, 1950

Mr. Eric Caedinal
Blue Quills, Alta.

Dear Eric,
We are sending you a few news items for the next issue of the Moccasin Telegram:

Next, our Junior Red Cross Activities. We hold our meetings two weeks on Friday afternoon. The following pupils officers:

President--- Dolphus Moses
Vice-President-- Paul Steinhauer
Treasurer--- John Steinhauer
Secretary--- Mary Mildred Steinhauer

We have decided to help the Crippled Children's Hospital Calgary and have already donated to that cause. We made shamrocks and sold them March 17th. We received \$2.45 at this sale and Mrs. Barthling donated an extra 55 cents that we would have \$3.00. At Easter time we sent this sum to Calgary. We also made a few Easter favors such as booklets baskets and cards which we sent to give some of the crippled children a small bit of pleasure. We shall try to do something again before the school term ends.

Our teacher, Mrs. Bartling dismissed school at 2:30 Monday May 8th to visit the Good Fish Lake School. She told us all about her trip the next morning. They have a fine school she reports, but they are working under difficulties until supplies come in. She told us that we were fortunate to have as much as we have to work with. (Thanks to the good sisters of Blue Quills for lending us text books, etc. .)

Blue Quills for lending us text books etc.)

We are enjoying the fine outdoor weather now, and have a good time playing baseball and football. Our football had to be mended this spring and while it was being repaired we missed playing that game. However we have been playing rugby too. Some of the boys are going to make good players. Once in a while Johnny Delver comes over and plays with us. He is a good player in both football and baseball. No doubt we will get some pointers from him.

On April 30th, the boys from Saddle Lake met the protestant boys at the playground and had a game of baseball. We won the game, the score being 10 to 7.

Father Le Calvez visited our school Friday, May 5th to instruct us in catechism. He comes occasionally for this and when he is not here Mrs. Bartling teaches our catechism after school.

I believe this is about all the news of interest to you. Wishing your paper the best of success. I am,
Your sincere friend
Paul Steinhaer grade V

SEWING ROOM PICNIC

Our Principal, Rev. Father E. Bernet Rollande willingly granted our sewing-room teacher's wish to give us an afternoon off. Sr. C. Dupont gave us a picnic at Therien Lake.

At 2.00 P.M. we were all at the picnic grounds. We did enjoy our strolls along the lake or in the woods. As we were getting ready for supper, we had a pleasant surprise. Father Principal came to spend an hour with us, bringing each one a revel. We are very thankful to Father and Sr. Dupont for giving us such a nice afternoon.

Jenny Shirt
Grade 5

HOME SWEET HOME

Mid pleasures and palaces though we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home;
A charm from the sky seems to hallow us there,
Which, seek through the world, is ne'er met with elsewhere.
Tuck, O Home, Home, sweet, sweet Home!
There's no place like Home: there's no place like home!

In exile from home, splendour dazzles in vain;
Oh, give me my lowly thatched cottage again!
The birds singing gaily, that came at my call,
Give me them-- and the peace of mind, dearer than all!

Home, Home, sweet, sweet Home!
There's no place like Home: there's no place like Home!

Now sweet 'tis to sit 'neath a fond father's smile,
And the cares of a mother to soothe and beguile!
Let others delight 'mid new pleasures of home!
But give me, oh, give me, the pleasure of home!

Home! Home! sweet, sweet Home!
There's no place like Home: there's no place like Home!

To thee I'll return, overburdened with care;
The heart's dearest solace will smile on me there;
No more from the cottage again will I roam;
Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home.

Home! Home! sweet, sweet Home!
There's no place like Home: there's no place like Home!

John Howard Payne

GOING TO THE DENTIST

This month a few of us went to St. Paul to pay a visit to the dentist. Both Father Principal and Father Schmidt took some of us in the car and brought us back after the teeth were filled or pulled.

Thank you for taking us to St. Paul, Father Principal and Father Schmidt. We are now ready to go on our holidays

Grade 111

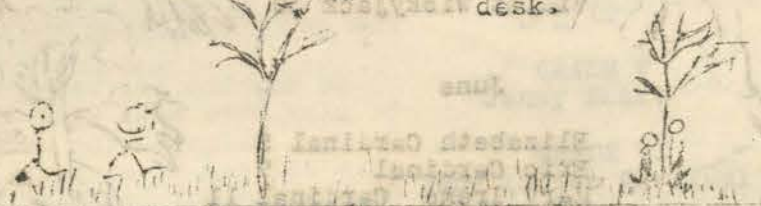
OUR FIRST COMMUNION



Seven girls and fourteen boys from grade one and two made their first Communion on April the 6. They all look so happy and we were glad to see them looking so nice in their white dress and blue suit

Mary Aceline Cardinal
Grade 11

Look Francis, a crow? Francis: Gee it is
Where is my slingshot? on the teacher's desk.



OUR BIRD SHOW

We had a nice show here in our classroom.
We saw many birds which we had learned.
It was fun to tell the name of the birds as they came.

We liked our show very much.

Rosalie Wiskyjack

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO OUR TEACHERS AND FRIENDS!



HOME



Blue Pills

As I Happy Birthday

May

Charles Wood 2
Celina Janvier 3
Adeline Cardinal 15
Eliza Marie Large 27
Ernestine Large 6
Caroline McGilvery 9
Violet Wiskyjack 30

June

Elizabeth Cardinal 5
Eric Cardinal 7
Mary Irene Cardinal 11
Jenny Shirt 14
Ophinee Piche 17
Leona Cardinal 20
David McGilvery 21
Alphonse Makokis 25 S.L.
Jane Louise Cardinal 28
Francis Marten 29

LEADERS

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Rearigue Charland

GRADE II
August Dion

GRADE III
Dorothy Wiskyjack

GRADE IV
Jehn Janvier

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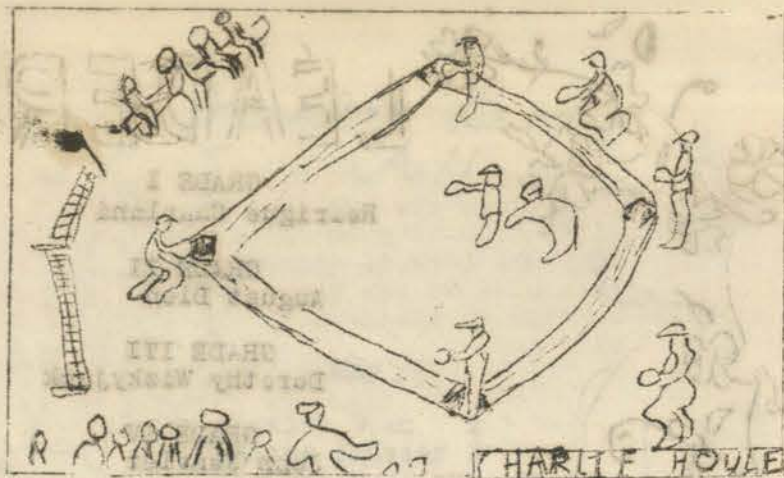
GRADE V
Jenny Shirt

GRADE VI
Jane Louise Cardinal

GRADE VII
Sophie Cardinal

GRADE VIII
Elizabeth Cardinal

LATE CHISM



BASEBALL GAME

Spring is just around the corner and already we have played four games with the St Paul boys. As yet we have been lucky winners and we hope to do so in the coming games.

The first game we played was with a score of 7 to 2, the second game with 8 to 5 the third with 24 to 4 and the last one but not the least with a score of 14 to 12.

Next to hockey, baseball is a sport which we like to take part in and we are looking forward to our next meeting with St Paul.

Kloyd Makokis
Grade VII

HOW ABOUT THE MIDGETS?

On May the 16, we went to play hard ball with the St Paul Midgets. The scores were sixteen to sixteen. We enjoyed our game. We thank them for asking us to play with them.

Romeo Paul
Grade IV

REV. FATHER SCHMIDT

Rev. Father Schmidt came here not very long ago. The big boys are very glad. Father is showing them how to play hard ball. Father Schmidt is very kind to us. He teaches us catechism too. We hope that he shall remain with us for a long time.

David McGilvery IV

GRATITUDE

We, the Indian children of this school, give sincere thanks to our kind Father principal, for the religious instructions and for all what he is doing for us. We also give thanks to Father Schmidt for explaining the Mass to us.

Mary Irene Cardinal

We thank all the seamstresses for sewing all year round. They have worked hard for us specially patching clothes. Thanks again.

The Boys

The boys have been working at the barn and in the fields, learning at the same time how to farm.

The Girls

For 12 years Brother Dobiriele has been making bread and making the garden for us. He has worked and still works early in the morning and late at night.

We thank him very much for all he has done for us.

Elsie Janvier

We are very grateful to the sisters in return for their kindness and the good work they've done. We wish to have them with us for many more successful years.

Albina Cardinal

We sincerely thank the classroom boys for keeping our classroom spick and span.

The Girls

Mr. Alex Cardinal has been here for 3 years supervising the boys. He is very kind to us. We like him and thank him very much for keeping us.

Master, we hope to see you here in September!

The Boys

We give our sincere thanks to our kind hired men, who work in the barn, field and boiler room.

Thanks once again.

Joyce Cardinal

We boys give our greatest thanks to the girls who have strived to be good cooks.

Thanks a million..girls

Boys

Two of our sisters went to the retreat in St. Albert. A third one came back with them. It is Sr. Marie Paule Rheault. We are glad to welcome our ex-grade two teacher. All the pupils are hoping that sister shall stay here for another seven years.

GOODFISH DAY SCHOOL NEWS

We were pleased to have Miss Burgess, our Saddle Lake Nurse, visit us on Friday. Of course she came with needles, but we welcome her anyway. We know they are good for us.

Friday the 20th, was a big day for us. Mr. Taylor, the Indian Agent came to pay interest at Goodfish Lake, visited our school and gave us a holiday. May the 20th was Marie Cardinal's birthday. Perhaps that was reason enough for a holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Comire brought the Saddle Lake teacher, Mrs. Bartling, to visit our school. They brought us some Arithmetics which our teacher was glad to see.

We hope they will come again.

Our girls are really trying to hurry up on the pillow cases, which we hope to have ready for Edmonton Exhibition. We hope to get at least one prize before Blue Quill's snatches them away!

We were honored by a call from Bishop Beaudoux and Father Principal of Blue Quills. We were sweetened a little too, by their gift of candy.

Merci bien!

We now have a Health Station here, with Miss Potter, of Saddle Lake, in charge. Our teacher is glad she says, to have some company and keep us caring for our welfare.

Delia Cardinal

The Moccasin Telegram sincerely thanks Goodfish and Saddle Lake for sending news of their school activities.

NEW REFRIGERATOR

Did you see our old refrigerator? It was not very good and sister had a hard time to keep the food. But now...the new one is much better.

I did use to wonder what the boxes in the hall had in them. I thought they contained food. One day when I went to the kitchen, two men from St. Paul had the boxes in the kitchen and I saw that in them were the materials for the fridge. If you ever go to the cooler you'll see how wonderful it is!

The cupboards that were in the pantry were put in the big kitchen.

Lydia Cardinal
Grade V

OUR FIRST PICNIC

One bright sunny Wednesday morning, after our breakfast we went out picnicking. The boys were all ready by 9.00 o'clock. We all went together and had dinner about a mile from the school.

After lunch we went hunting. By 5.00 o'clock, the children were all back to the school. We were all joyful after our pleasant picnic.

Lloyd Makokis
Grade VII

THE GIRLS' PICNIC

On the 26th of April, we had our first spring picnic. When we heard we were to have it, we were much excited, and I forgot some of the articles I was to bring with me.

When we arrived at Owlseye Lake some of the smaller girls went to the woods to gather some sticks for the fire, while the bigger girls were preparing dinner.

We enjoyed ourselves playing games and ball, but at the end of the game the other team won.

After supper, we waited about half an hour for the truck to come for us. We were tired but happy of our day.

Gladys Paul Grade

INSPECTOR'S VISIT

On May 3rd and 5th, Mr. Racette was among us. He visited our class on Friday afternoon. We were glad to see our friend again. We sang and showed him our work. Thank you Mr. Racette for your kind words and we are hoping to see you again.

Doris Collins
Grade IV

Many thanks to those who have helped with the Moccasin Telegram. May you be here again next year.

Mr. Taylor's Visit

Mr. Taylor, our Indian Agent from Saddle Lake, came to our school. He visited all the classes, looked at our work and questioned us. We thank Mr. Taylor for the work he is doing for us.

Aldina McFeeters,
Grade IV

Trip to Edmonton

As a reward for doing decorations on the liturgical altars, I was given the opportunity of visiting for the first time Edmonton.

Our departure occurred at 7:00 A.M. On the way we stopped by the roadside to have lunch. Late noon we arrived at St Albert and visited the old museum.

Early the next morning we strolled along the noisy streets of Edmonton. We visited the Art Gallery and saw some real nice painting. It was also interesting to see the Radio Station.

Finally after a pleasant holiday, we said farewell to the city.

On our way, we stopped to see the buffaloes, but saw none of the shaggy, wild plain animals. At noon we reached our dear school. Boy was I ever glad to see it,

for anything is not greater than home.

My sincere gratitude to Rev. Father E.B.R. for taking me to the city.

Alex Janvier,
Grade VII

Mother Provincial's Visit

It was a pleasure for us to see our kind Rev. Mother Vincent. She came on May 10 with Rev Sister A. Lagard. On May 12 Rev. Mother saw us in our classes. She gave us pictures and candies. Sincere thanks for your visit.

Emelia Bugle,
Grade IV

Queen Victoria's Day

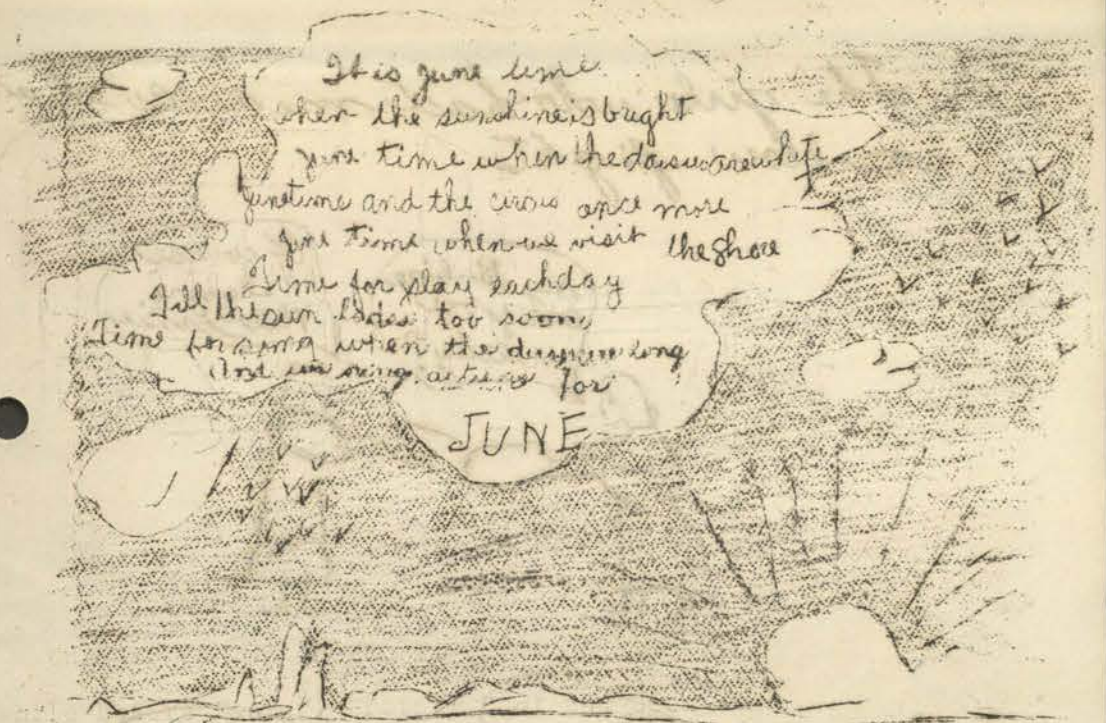
Yesterday the boys and girls had a holiday because it was Queen Victoria's Day. All the children enjoyed their holiday.

The boys went to the lake 2 miles south from here, while the girls went to Cork, a few miles from our school.

We had a good time, for we played games and went sight seeing in the woods.

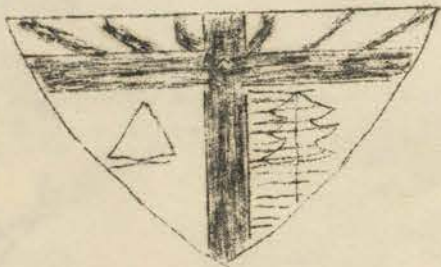
Rev. Father came by truck to take us back to the school.

Frank Charland,
Grade IV



The girls who had measles had
pillow fights





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TELEGRAM



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Once again
this happy season brings
Good wishes warm
and true
And once again
the air is filled
With friendly greetings
from the Principal
and the Staff of
Blue Hills School





One day, in Nov. we had started school as usual but we were far from thinking that we were going to receive any visitors that morning.

Our thoughtful and kind inspector Mr. Racette brought someone to visit us. Can you guess who it was? It was Miss Lawrence of the Junior Red Cross. She had often heard about us so she decided to come here to see us.

It was indeed a great pleasure to meet a new and very nice friend. She told us how to keep healthy and to eat the right kind of food that would keep us strong. She also explained the Red Cross rules, and the wonderful work done by the Junior Red Cross.

Miss Lawrence was very pleased to see the Sign "I SERVE" on the blackboard.

We thank Mr. Racette for bringing Miss Lawrence to see us. We really appreciated their visit.

He assured us before leaving that he would try to be back soon again.

Eric Cardinal, Gr. 7

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MR. CLARK'S VISIT

On November 29th. we gladly welcomed Mr. Clark who came to visit our school.

Mr. Clark is a very tall man and we enjoyed hearing his pleasant voice when he spoke to us.

After visiting the classrooms he went up to the dormitories then down to the refectory where we were having our dinner.

Unfortunately we did not have the pleasure of seeing our distinguished visitor at the concert the following evening.

We hope that his next visit will be a little longer.

Mary Cecile Mooswa
Grade 6

HIS EXCELLENCY

BISHOP MAURICE BAUDOUX

VISITS US....

His Excellency

Bishop Baudoux came to say mass for us last Sunday at 6:30 A.M. It was a great honour for us to assist at His mass. We all went to mass that morning and we sang four Christmas hymns. Two in English and two in Cree.

We hope he will come back soon again. It always makes us happy to see him at Blue Quills School.

Albina Cardinal,
Gr. 7.

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Movies

On November 9th. Rev. Father Levert, O.M.I. from Fishing Lake was here to give us a show.

We were all getting ready for supper when Master Levert came in and said, "Good news boys!" Of course we could not guess what it was all about. We jumped with joy when we heard there would be a picture show after supper.

It was about the Indians of the different reserves and the best part of it was that the pictures were coloured.

Some pictures were taken at Long Lake, Fishing Lake, Hobbema, Lake Ste. Anne, Frog Lake and Big Island Lake.

Rev. Father Latour who was here as our Principal a few years ago, was also seen.

The part I enjoyed best was the one showing the Pilgrimage at Long Lake.

We heartily thank Rev. Father Levert and Father Morin for thinking of us.

George McFeeters
Grade 7

Pupil: When we have our reports we have an examination of conscience.



Father Principal finally succeeded in getting the picture show machine working. Now we have picture shows very often. We are certainly glad because we never tire of seeing them.

On one of the picture shows we saw Rev. Father Levert O.M.I. who was here for a long time. Many of us still remember him. We also saw many men, of our parents or big sisters, and brothers.

But the one that made us laugh the most was the one on Charlie Chaplin. You should have heard the children laugh. The next day we saw the boys and girls walking just like him.

We sincerely appreciate the picture shows and we thank you Father.

Bella Whiskyjack

Grade 5

CONCERT FOR FATHER'S EAST

We were very anxious to make our concert for our devoted Father Principal. We knew that he had not seen any of the preparations so far. This Christmas Bishop Maurice Boudoux, the fathers from St. Paul, many sisters from the hospital and school were also present. We were very happy to notice that our Inspector, Mr. Racette, and Mr. Taylor were there too.

After our hearty festival song, followed sounds of music, plays, recitations and last but not least an attractive pantomime "Cat Pie" by the big boys.

We all did our very best so the evening entertainment was a real success.

When all was over, our kind Principal addressed us a few words; so did His Excellency, Mr. Racette, and Mr. Taylor. All mentioned how well we had done and found that we had even done

better than last time.

Before going up to bed we had a tasty lunch. We jumped in bed quite tired because it was already late but we were glad once again that we had made our Father Principal and friends happy.

Eena Minoose
Grade 7

Holiday

The next day we had the promised holiday. Everybody was as happy as could be. Some of us preferred to play games in the room. But I and many others played out-doors nearly all day.

Our skating rink was not ready. We heard that the little lake not far from the school was already frozen so we begged master to let us go there. He made sure that it was safe to try, then off we went with our skates.

After supper we went to the girls' room to see the picture show. We certainly enjoyed the picture show again.

Alphonse Delver,
Grade 5



Concert for Our Parents

Since our parents could not be here for our concert we repeated it for them.

It was a nice day, so many of them were able to come. We were very happy to repeat our plays for them, and they were happy too to see their children on the stage.

Many of them came with Rev. Father Le Calvez and the others came by team.

After the concert we all sang "O Canada", then Father Principal and Father Le Calvez both spoke in turn to us.

Immediately after all our parents went to have lunch in the girls' refectory with the two fathers. The big girls helped the sisters to serve the lunch.

Jenny Shirt,
Grade 5

MIDNIGHT MASS AT GOODFISH LAKE

Again this year our kind Father Principal came to say Midnight Mass for us at Goodfish Lake.

We were certainly happy to see him come because if he had not come there would have been no mass this Christmas at Goodfish.

Father Le Calvez who usually comes could not because he had to remain at his mission at Saddle Lake.

Our Church was nicely decorated. We also had a little crib for Infant Jesus. Two old timers from Blue Quills School, Beatrice Cardinal and her brother Harry, played the organ while we all did our part by singing well.

Leona C. Gr. 5

Christmas Holidays

Our Christmas holidays started on the the 16 th. of December and ended on the 3 : 3 rd. of January.

Our parents were happy to see us and we were Happy to see them too.

Some of us went home by the train, by the St. Paul School Bus, by taxi or by horse team. I went home with my brothers on the bus. We had a nice ride home and it did not take us long to get there.

After we finished helping mother in the house we played out-docks and had plenty of fun.

We also snared rabbits and visited our neighbors.

We decorated a little Christmas tree to put near our window .

It was nice and warm on New Year's Day so we went to wish A Happy New Year to all our friends.

We came back on the third and all were glad to start studying hard once again.

Eva Jane Makokis
Grade 5

HOW I SPENT MY CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS...

I helped my mother with all the work in the house. Every morning I brought milk to our nurse. She was always kind to me, and she gave me me some candies every day.

She gave Louise and my four little sisters and me each a pretty doll for Christmas. She also gave me some fancy work to do. She must know I like to do fancy work.

We also went sliding at home and we played with our toys in the house when it was too cold to play outside.

Beatrice Makokis
Gr. 3

BUS RIDE HOME TO LEGOFF

A few days after most of the boys and girls left for home, my brother Alex, my sister Elsie and I took the big white and blue bus from St. Paul

bus for Legoff.

On the way going we saw a car caught in the ditch.

The bus stopped to help the man out, so we got home a little later.

When we reached Legoff many people were there waiting for us.

Our parents took us home with our horses.

John Janvier

Grade 4

FUN AND WORK AT HOME

I had lots of fun at home. I played many games with my brothers. We also played that we were cowboys.

We went to slide too.

I not only played but I worked too. I worked in the barn and I helped my mother with the housework.

I went to midnight mass and received holy Communion. When we got back home we wished each other a Merry Christmas before going to bed.

I wish all our Readers "A Happy New Year".

Charlie Woods

Grade 4

CHRISTMAS AT BLUE QUILLS SCHOOL

We were five boys and seven girls who did not go home for the Christmas

holidays. But our parents came to see us here. Some of them stayed with us for a few days.

Father Principal gave some picture shows for us and we went skating on the boys rink very often. We also went sliding nearly every day.

We sang with the sisters for midnight mass.

After mass we found the stockings which Sister Superior had filled with candies and all kinds of things for us.

Thank you Sister Superior.

Margaret Lapatak
Grade 4

"THANK YOU"

We sincerely thank our parents for getting us home for the holidays. We also remember all you have given and done for us.

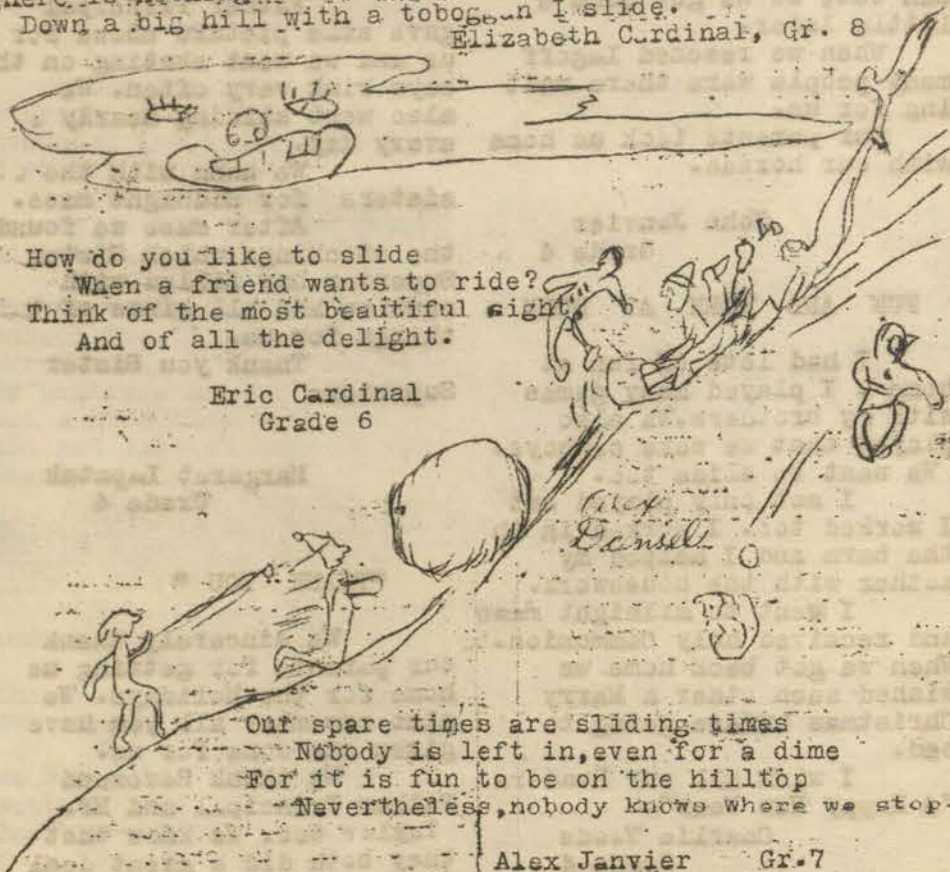
We thank Reverend Father Principal and Mr. Taylor too. We know that they both did a great deal to make the arrangements and see that we arrived home safely.

Thank you.
Elizabeth Cardinal
Grade 8

Sliding

I'm a gay little Indian,
And I'm also a little Canadian,
There is nothing I love as to ride
Down a big hill with a toboggan I slide.

Elizabeth Cardinal, Gr. 8



How do you like to slide
When a friend wants to ride?
Think of the most beautiful sight
And of all the delight.

Eric Cardinal
Grade 6

Our spare times are sliding times
Nobody is left in, even for a dime
For it is fun to be on the hilltop
Nevertheless, nobody knows where we stop.

Alex Janvier Gr. 7

SKATING



We could not start skating
very early this year. The boys
made the skating rink only in
December because it was not cold
enough to freeze it sooner.

We still have lots of fun skating,
especially during the Christmas holidays,
There was no school so we were able to stay
until we were nearly frozen.

The big boys are getting ready for the
hockey game on Sunday.

Emma Alice Cardinal
Grade 5

I am only nine years old. I am very tiny but
I can skate nearly as fast as some of the big boys. I hope
to be the champion some day.

Alphonse Bugle,
Grade 2

We received two nice pairs of skates from the
Junior Red Cross. We are all very happy to see that two
more boys have skates. Some boys also received other pre-
sents from them for Christmas.

We thank the Junior Red Cross
very much for sending us two more
pairs of skates and for the other
gifts too.

Marcel Piche,
Grade 5



THE MIRACLE of the BELLS

During the first week of the holidays, all the children who were still here went to a picture show at St. Paul Theatre.

The show was about a young girl called Olga. She was playing the part of Jean of Arc at Hollywood. She was very sick all the time they had taken her pictures but only the doctor and a boy who loved her very much knew that she was sick.

She was taken to the hospital the same night. She died the next day. Before dying she asked Bill to have the bells ring at her funeral service. Bill paid to have all the village bells ring for three days and three nights. We saw how surprised the people were to hear the bells ring so loud and so long.

We enjoyed the show very much and we thank Reverend Father Principal for taking us there and then for getting the taxi to bring us back.

This was the first time most of us had ever gone to the theatre.

Emelia Bugle

Grade 4

MARY
SHIRT

II MY LITTLE BABY BROTHER



I found something new when I went home for the holidays. I found a new little baby brother.

His name is Roy, Gerald Makokis. He is very sweet. I love him very much.

I shall show him how to walk and talk during the summer holidays.

I have a new little baby brother too. He was born in November. His name is William Nestor. I helped my mother to take care of him during the holidays.

I was happy to help her because I love my baby brother very much.

Rosalie Whiskyjack
Grade 2

Louise Makokis

candies too.

Mr. Skitch from St. Paul sent us some nice red juicy apples.

We also received candies from the Wholesale and from Mr. Drolet.

Father gave us new games for the room and new sleds.

We thank you all for all these nice and useful things.

After we received our presents we had another show.

OUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Last Friday evening Jan. 6 the boys came to our room to receive Christmas presents which were sent to us.

We received these gifts from many kind friends.

Mr. Waisler from Edmonton sent us some tams, pretty scarfs, ties and belts, handkerchiefs and some

Joyce Cardinal
Grade 8

KIDDIES

Grades 1 and 2 had a party together just before Christmas. We had a picture show. We played many games and we had a good lunch.

Evangeline Janvier
Grade 1



When we came back from midnight mass we found our Christmas Stockings full of candies and nice things.

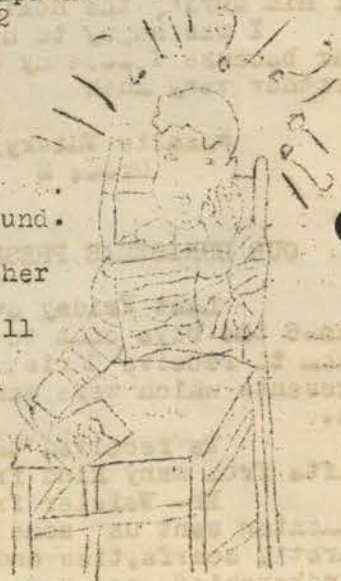
It was Sister Superior who put them there for us.

Jane Lapatak
Gr. 2

I've thought and thought of something
very nice to say and this is what I found.

Thank you Dear Parents, Father
Principal, Mr. Taylor, the sisters and all
our kind friends who are doing so much
for the little boys and girls of
Eue Quills School.

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Here is Charlie Chaplin.
We saw him in the picture show not
very long ago. He made us laugh and
laugh. We hope we will see him again soon.

Leonard Piche
Grade 2



Charlie Chaplin

I WENT HOME WITH MY DADDY'S HORSES.

My daddy came to get my
brother Phillip and I for the Christmas holidays.
We went home with his horses.



Angelique Cardinal

Many boys and
girls went home
with the school bus. Some went on the train and some
went with a taxi. I went with the bus. I like to ride
in a bus. It goes very fast.

Dorothy Crane

We made a little play for Father's
feast. The name of the play was "The Little
Smokers". We sang a tobacco
song first, then we sat
down to say our
little piece.

Allen Jacko
Grade 1

CORNER

News

WEDDINGS

George Woods' brother Alex Woods got married in Nov. Ruby Cardinal, who was at school here last year was bridesmaid.

Christina Whiskyjack another old timer married Mr. Stanley Daniels. They got married last Saturday.

Two others who were also pupils at Blue Quills a few years ago are getting married on January 26. They are Cora Makokis and Robert Pastor.

HOSPITAL

This seems to be the reason to get fingernails and toenails off.

Jane Louise and her sister Eva Louise both had an infected finger. Both at the same time and on the same finger. They went to the hospital to get the fingernails off on the same day of course.

Dorothy Whiskyjack too got a fingernail taken off.

Maurice Grandbeis and Augustine Dion got their toenails off instead.

Nancy Scanie who was in the hospital for nearly two months is now back.

Flora Cardinal and Lawrence Large are also back from Charles Camsell Hospital.

Sister Leonie Poirier Grade 3 and 4 teacher has also gone to the hospital. We hope she will be back soon.

"MAY THEY REST IN PEACE"

Sister Cecile Bandet's mother died at the end of November.

Peter Jackson's grandmother died just before the Christmas holidays.

Rosalie Whiskyjack James and Benjamin's little brother (two years old) Romeo Also died.

BACK TO SCHOOL....

Ernestine Large and Rosalie who went to help their mothers before Christmas are back to school. John Delver, Simon Large, Emile Cardinal, Caroline Cardinal, and Rema Frenchman are also back.

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

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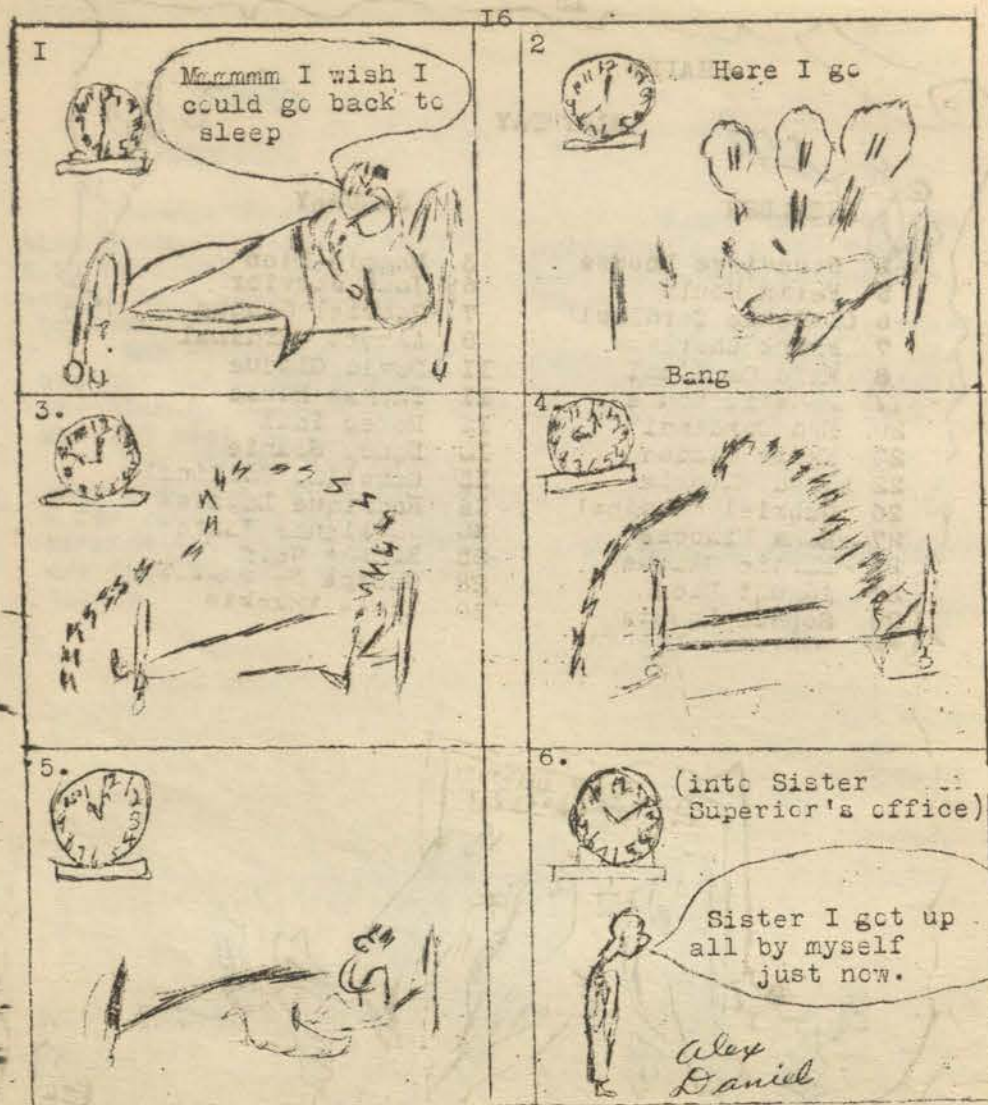
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- 5 Felix Houle
- 6 Clarence Cardinal
- 7 Frank Charland
- 8 Emile Cardinal
- 17 Rosalie Houle
- 20 Eva Cardinal
- 20 Marie Gladue
- 22 Lloyd Makokis
- 26 Gabriel Cardinal
- 27 Emma Minoose
- 27 Martha Gladue
- 28 August Dion
- 29 Sophie Mooswa
- 30 Rosalie Makokis

JANUARY

- 3 Maggie Dion
- 6 John Janvier
- 7 Gabriel Gladue
- 8 Albert Cardinal
- 11 David Gladue
- 11 Thomas Houle
- 12 Romeo Paul
- 12 Nancy Scanie
- 15 Caroline Cardinal
- 16 Rodrigue Lapatek
- 18 Guillaume White
- 25 Ernest Wolf
- 28 George McPartland
- 30 Moses Makokis



Simon L.



This is what happened to little Rodrique (5 yrs. old) one holiday morning.



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