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Christmas Then and Now

BY HOWARD HUGGETT

When Christmas comes around it is natural to turn your thoughts backward to Christmases of your childhood. The Yuletide comes at the end of the year, a looking-back time, and the celebration of the holiday is built around a sentimental affection for the past. So many of the Christmas cards that people send us depict scenes in the countryside, although the great majority of us live in cities and towns. There is likely to be a sleigh in the picture, a vehicle that is not often seen these days. Almost never does a Christmas card show a motor car, the most common means of transport. Did you ever see a card with a snowmobile on it? I haven't, although the countryside is full of them during the winter.

When I was a small boy on a Muskoka farm there was a special magic to Christmas and Santa Claus was very real. Of course he was never seen, but there was no doubt of his existence. On Christmas morning the tracks of his sleigh could be plainly seen on the snowy field outside the farmhouse. What if those tracks were very like those made by my father's sleigh — I didn't know what kind of sled the old fellow drove. Besides, the piece of Christmas cake that was left on the table for him the night before was never there in the morning, so he must have been there. Some of the readers of Seven News, the oldsters, may remember what it was like to awaken early on Christmas morning and reach eagerly through the utter darkness for the stocking that had been hung at the foot of the bed the night before. What a joy to find it bulging with goodies!

I don't know if many kids hang up stockings now, but if they do they wouldn't be pleased to find in them what kids found when I was young. Back in those time stockings contained such

things as oranges, a Christmas treat. Today oranges are standard fare, winter and summer. That's one of the great drawbacks of the modern Christmas, many of the special treats that we used to enjoy at that time of the year are not special any more — such as turkey.

Many people will tell you that Christmas is really for children. Certainly the institution will flourish as long as it lives in the imagination of little children. I sometimes wonder to what extent small kids still believe in Santa Claus. It was easy to do so when he was nowhere to be seen. Now he is all over the place, on street-corners, in department stores and shopping malls, at company Christmas parties and on television. There are so many Santas that it is a wonder that they haven't formed a union. It has become a profession and now women are applying for the job. It seems to me that the only place where the old gentleman belongs is in the lively imagination of little children.

There is another special kind of magic that belongs to Christmas-time, and it is for adults mostly. I am referring to that mellow feeling that comes over so many

people at this time of the year and induces them to look for ways to help others, particularly those who are not as well off as themselves. There are some folk who make a practice of doing this all the year round, but most of us are too caught up in the daily struggle to think about it, and don't get around to the good deeds until Christmas-time. When it comes to promoting that kind of Yuletide spirit Santa Claus is not the best man for the job. Long, long ago in the Near East there is supposed to have lived a bishop Nicholas who made a practice of helping the poor. According to this story, he did this without letting anyone know he was doing it, even going so far as to drop money or other gifts down the chimney! I don't think you will ever see a number of imitations of him around at Christmas time, but then we don't need them. Anyone who wants to follow his example can go ahead and do so.

If you get an impression from this article that I am not afire with the spirit of Christmas, you are right. I never am until late on Christmas Eve, after the bells stop ringing. The bells I mean are the ones on the cash registers.

Retired Fire Chief Honoured

Every year the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse holds a Founder's Day Dinner to honour the day in 1848 when Mr. Turner opened his school and celebrated by giving a dinner for the students.

On Friday, December 7, the 136th anniversary of Toronto's oldest school building, a presentation was made at the dinner. The recipient was Charles Chambers, Toronto's Fire Chief from 1969 to 1977. Mr. Chambers is a past Warden of Little Trinity Church (Toronto's oldest church

building — 1844), and a Patron of the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse. Mr. Chambers' family has been involved with the Schoolhouse (and Little Trinity Church) for over 100 years.

Mr. Chambers' friends, represented by Ward Eight alderman Fred Beavis, presented him with a specially crafted porcelain plate with the logo of the schoolhouse on it. The presentation was a well-kept secret and a surprise to Mr. Chambers from a grateful community.

Is This Incinerator Really Necessary ?

The City of Toronto is proposing to further increase air pollution by building a huge garbage incinerator at the intersection of Lakeshore Boulevard and Cherry Street.

The proposed plant will burn 1,250 tonnes of refuse per day to produce energy for steam to heat downtown buildings.

The plant will emit many toxic compounds, such as the deadly dioxins, lead, mercury, cadmium, arsenic, PCBs, and hydrochloric acid. Pollution Probe studies suggest that information on the health effects of these emissions needs more study. Some of these substances are accumulative and the long-term effects are unknown. Environment Canada is planning a three year study on such plants already in existence.

Many Toronto residents are justifiably concerned about the effects of air pollution on their health. The people living in the area close to the proposed site are already hard hit by other sources of pollution created by industry in the area. In this case, we should all be concerned because the plant will increase pollution levels all over Toronto.

The Citizens for a Safe Environment (CSE) have additional concerns regarding the proposal. If it is built, who will own it and who will run and pay for it? Is the plant financially viable, and is it really necessary?

Our garbage is now buried in landfill sites. As space for it runs out, politicians are under pressure to find alternative ways to get rid of garbage. The provincial government is actively encouraging garbage incineration as a solution. The minister of the environment has suggested that up to two-thirds of municipal garbage could be burned. The Toronto plant is seen as leading the way.

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HOW OFTEN DO YOU SEE A CLOWN LOOSE ON THE DANFORTH?
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Santa Claus Visits Danforth Village



Santa finally came to Ward 7 — we were getting worried! On Saturday, December 8, it was cold and a bit overcast, but the Jolly Old Soul paraded along the Dan-

real one and a smaller version. The parade and the festivities that followed were sponsored by the Danforth Village Business Improvement Area. This business as-

leaving five hours later for an official visit to Ethiopia.

Clowns passed out balloons and candy canes and the parade marched, eventually, to the parkette at Logan and Danforth. Santa then visited with the children while some of them tried out the pony rides that were provided for this event.

A party, held that evening, wrapped up the festivities. The event began at Frankland Community Centre and ended up at that same location. Unfortunately, Santa will not be staying in Ward 7. He left after the party and won't be back until Christmas Eve.



forth with 'Blinky' the police car, Blinky's friend the Fire truck, some assorted clowns and a Christmas float. It wasn't a big parade but it was enthusiastic and well organized.

Actually there were two Santas; the

sociation actually straddles Wards 7 and 8.

The aldermen in attendance, flanking the float, were Ward 8's Fred Beavis and Tom Clifford. Lynn McDonald, the Federal MP for Broadview Greenwood Riding also participated, even though she was

Incinerator Spells Trouble

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These plants are not a solution to the garbage problem because they only transfer the pollutants into the air. Ash that results from the garbage incineration is more toxic than regular municipal garbage and still has to be landfilled. It is plain that by trying to solve one serious problem, the government will almost certainly create another.

Nevertheless the City is pressing its proposal and the ministry of the environment will be holding Environmental Assessment Hearings in the near future. The hearings will determine whether or not the plant will be built and if built, under what conditions.

CSE received a grant from City Council to enable it to participate in the hearings. The group has been meeting regularly in preparation for the hearing for the past year and a half.

CSE wants to hear from all interested persons, groups and organizations. Even if you cannot find the time to get involved, CSE encourages you to telephone and have your name added to the list of supporters. It is important that the government knows that a wide range of people are worried about its plans.

For more information phone Marilyn Churley, 465-1231; Alderman David Reville, 947-7916; or Alderman Joanne Campbell, 947-7914.

From the Bain Co-op Newsletter.

Ooops . . .

We made a mistake or two in the last issue. Stella's Pizza at 739 Queen Street East was offering \$2 off medium, large and extra large pizzas, delivered . . . not just pick-up. Call 469-5121 and use this article as a coupon (until December 24, 1984). Give them a try!

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BY JOHN CAMPEY & MIKE BROWN

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MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM SANTA AND THE SEVEN NEWS (GNUS?)

Disagree with something you read in 7 News? Agree? Or do you have some additional facts or insights? Why not send us a Letter to the Editor? The address is 7 News, 249 Sherbourne St., M5A 2R9.

Long hours; no pay

Santa's helpers have got it easy compared to Seven News distributors. Those elves have a union and they only work around Christmas! We, on the other hand, work all year round for no pay.

Santa's helpers get all the glory, as well. All we can offer is the satisfaction of helping serve our neighbourhoods, and the feeling of a job well done.

Seven News needs people with a couple of hours to spare every two weeks or so... especially people with cars (or, dare we hope, vans). Volunteer — it's good exercise and you will be serving your community.

Have a nice holiday season, everyone!

More on The Case Against Leslie St. Extension

BY ALDERMAN
JOANNE CAMPBELL

Toronto is a city of neighbourhoods. For more than a decade there has been a strong tradition in Toronto of protecting and encouraging the continued stability of our neighbourhoods.

One of the ways we have attempted to do this is by discouraging the influx of automobiles to the downtown. This is set out clearly in the City of Toronto's Official Plan.

Metro's proposal to extend Leslie Street south from Eglinton across unspoiled ravine land to join the Bayview Extension, and to widen Bayview from south of the River Street exit to Front Street threatens the neighbourhoods of Cabbagetown, Regent Park, Corktown and St. Lawrence.

The proposed Leslie Street Extension will create an unbroken expressway from the Leslie Street and Highway 401 interchange to its southern terminus at Front Street.

Bayview south of the River Street exit is a narrow two-lane road carved from the bank of the Don River beside the railway tracks. At best it presents limited opportunity for widening. The congestion currently experienced by motorists at Leslie and Eglinton will be replicated at Bayview and the River Street exit. The Leslie Street proposal simply collects and funnels a traffic problem in East York and transfers it to the southern end of Ward 7.

Drivers exiting at River Street will add to an already overcrowded traffic situation on Gerrard Street. Many will attempt to avoid this congestion by heading north and east through the residential streets of the Cabbagetown area.

Those who head south on River will eventually head east on Dundas, Queen and King Streets — each of which are important east/west street car routes. The resulting deterioration in the speed and

efficiency of public transit on these routes will affect considerably the length of time it takes residents of east Toronto to get to and from work.

Motorists who stay on the Leslie Street extension will exit at Front Street. The effect on the St. Lawrence community of Front Street becoming a major route to the downtown core for suburban motorists is a frightening prospect.

At a projected cost of more than 100 million dollars, the Leslie Street Extension would be the most expensive road ever built in the history of Metro Toronto.

Using figures from the transportation studies done by Metro to support the need for the Leslie Street Extension, it is estimated that daily use would amount to 4,000 people in 3,000 cars. At a cost of \$100 million this amounts to \$25,000 per person travelling. Funded at today's interest rates this would mean an annual cost of roughly \$3,500 per annum per traveller on the Leslie Street Extension. Calculated on a daily basis, this means that Metro taxpayers would be paying \$13.50 per day to subsidize one rider travelling downtown by car on the Leslie Street Extension.

Despite the objections of the City of Toronto, and the City of North York — the two municipalities most clearly affected by the expressway, the Metro Council on November 6, 1984 voted by a margin of 21 to 18 to undertake the economic feasibility and environmental assessment studies which are the first stages in the implementation of this roadway.

I will continue to work to defeat the proposal to build the Leslie Street Extension. In a year's time when the feasibility studies are ready, the matter will again be debated at Metro Council. The Leslie Street Extension is a bad idea. With your help it can be defeated. If you would like to know more about this issue please do not hesitate to contact me at 947-7914.

Bank Deal Yields \$2million

BY DAVID REVILLE

The media have been buzzing about a "secret" deal involving the magnificent sum of \$2,000,000. My name and face have been appearing over cut lines like "David Reville kept mum." The mayor and the minister of municipal affairs and housing have been suggesting, darkly, impropriety. Other aldermen have verged on the hysterical. What's going on?

Simple. City Council passed some by-laws respecting a huge bank/residential/commercial development. Some citizens agreed with the seven New Democratic alderman who opposed the by-laws and they — Downtown Action and others — appealed to the Municipal Board. The developer offered \$2,000,000 so that a co-operative could build low and moderate income housing. The citizens settled out of court.

Maybe what's surprising in the Campeau/Nova Scotia/Downtown Action/Co-operative Federation case is that, for once, the citizens won.

The Last Of of Sesqui

The City of Toronto Sesquicentennial Committee has been bestowing awards to newspapers which have carried stories about Toronto's 150th birthday.

We at Seven News are proud to announce that Howard Huggett and Meg Floyd, two of our feature writers, are joint recipients of the Pink Flamingo. A lawn ornament style Pink Flamingo arrived late last month by special courier. Seven News does not have a lawn, so we are displaying this trophy in our front window.

Unlike the North York case where the citizens went to the Municipal Board and overturned the Council by-law only to have it re-instated by Cabinet(!). Downtown Action and other citizens actually got the developer to give a benefit City Council refused to demand.

Good planning? You bet! Would that the citizens of Ward 7 had been so successful in its years of battling against Meridian. And in fact, it's precisely the kind of result that John Sewell and the rest fought for so hard for so long — the right of ordinary people to have a say in what happens in their city.

Goodbye Dan Hello Mary

Dan Harrison is leaving us here at Seven News. Dan has been the Director and building manager for the Dundas Sherbourne Community Centre since 1977, and our 'landlord' for the last year and a half. He was also the President of the Dundas Sherbourne Tenants Association for that same time.

During these years Dan interceded in disputes, advocated for the less fortunate, and generally built a reputation for helping people. His manner is sometimes perhaps too straightforward, but he gets the job done. Our former Editor Anne-Margaret Hines called him "gruff but giving" and then went on to call him "a terrific tease, but an exceptional man to know."

Dan is changing to a Winchester Square location at the end of December, and we at Seven News will miss him. Mary Crowe will replace Dan as Director, and we look forward to dealing with her in the future. Good luck to both of you!

Letters

Editor:

I looked in vain for editorial comment on the go ahead to fund the feasibility study.

Joanne Campbell spoke cogently at the meeting at City Hall, and someone from the floor commented quite correctly that the Aldermen were not listening except to each other as they carried on private conversations during the meeting.

This is the \$300,000 edge of the wedge. The fat end of the wedge will be at the crossing of River and Gerrard. I'd have felt better if the Bayview fed onto the Gardiner, but surely road dollars should go to public transport.

Delighted to read that Seven News is going well. Good luck.

Yours truly
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Twenty Years of Unselfish Service To Riverdale

BY GRAHAM MURRAY

James A. Renwick, QC. MPP, was a legislator without peer during the 20 years of his membership of the Ontario Legislature, which he invariably termed "the Assembly."

Throughout those two decades, Jim Renwick worked unstintingly to resolve the problems brought to his office by the constituents of his Riverdale riding. Some of the people we elect contribute eloquently to the making of laws; many work diligently to see that they apply fairly in the cases of hardship brought to their attention. Jim Renwick was one of the rare combinations, excelling in both debate and casework.

It was Jim's unshakeable commitment to justice which underlay these two dimensions of his political work. It was because he cared so passionately about its impact on ordinary people that Jim felt so deeply about the character of law.

Jim Renwick attained his socialist convictions by applying his reasoning powers—which were always formidable. His de-



cision to enter the NDP after a deliberate and close examination of the old-line parties, was profoundly influenced by his belief that the new party offered the best

prospect of maintaining the economic and political independence of Canada. To me, the NDP has never struck so telling a single blow against the capitalist system as when it won Jim Renwick's allegiance away from the world of corporate law.

Jim's victory in the Riverdale by-election on 10 September 1964 marked the beginning of his unbroken service as MPP for Riverdale. That victory also showed the effectiveness as a technique for political organizing of the canvassing system developed by Marj Wells. This was a fitting coincidence, for in that election and in his five general election victories Jim showed a remarkable aptitude for fast yet effective canvassing at the door. Armies of Riverdale New Democrats have been worn out in vain attempts to keep up with Jim Renwick, or to work out how he could maintain both his punishing clip and his unfailing politeness.

That civility marked all his activities. It arose from his background and upbringing, to be sure, but it was also an expression of his sense of how a community holds together. Jim brought much more than civility to all the communities in

which he participated. Jim always worked very hard to strengthen the organizations serving the people of Riverdale, and he always accorded them an important place in the local scheme of things. Jim Renwick had everyone's respect — because he always respected those with whom he dealt, and because he recognized their commitment to the local community of Riverdale.

In what he liked to call "the world of Jim Renwick" there was always a place for humour. Jim devoured books, delighted in the company of his friends, and from time to time deserted his Queen's Park post to take in yet another new film. It was often a marvellous experience to be in his company.

There was always much about this extraordinarily complex and private man that defied penetration. But those of us who knew him a little fully understood the importance in Jim's life of his love for Linda Jolley, and of her love for him. We have all lost a great man and a great socialist. Some of us were privileged to have had Jim Renwick as a friend, and our loss is enormous. Linda's loss is greatest of all.

KEEPING HER IN LINE

It's something you may have overheard but will seldom hear discussed. Yet it's a brutal reality. For every year, one woman in ten is abused by her husband. Put down verbally. And beaten up physically—to the point of unconsciousness, hospitalization or death. In fact, wife assault is involved in

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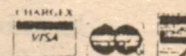
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Keep Your Home Safe

A Christmas tree adds a special warmth to your home during the holiday season. However, to make sure the festive spirit lasts, here are some Christmas safety tips.

Ensure that your tree is placed in a solid stand well anchored with heavy twine or rope. This is especially important if there are small children or pets in your home, who might accidentally fall into the tree.

The base of a fresh tree should be kept in water to prevent it from drying out and becoming a fire hazard. Similarly, the tree should be located away from sources of heat, such as radiators, heaters, fireplaces and television sets.

Christmas lights should be positioned to avoid direct contact with tree branches or needles. If you need to use extension cords, no more than three sets of lights should be connected to each extension.

Make sure electrical cords are kept away from the water in the tree stand, and hidden from small children and pets.

Of course, electric lights should not be attached to metal Christmas trees because of the possibility of electrical shock. The recommended method of illuminating such trees is by use of coloured floodlights.

If you already own or plan to purchase a plastic tree, ensure that it is made of a fire resistant material, which will not catch fire readily. It is wise to place these trees away from sources of heat, as well.

Decoration used on Christmas trees attract the attention of small children and pets, but can be dangerous if accidentally

swallowed. Mistletoe and holly berries can be harmful if eaten, while small ornaments, if swallowed, could cause choking. To prevent an accident, such decorations should be placed at the top of the tree.

Welcome Doug



Seven News bids a heartfelt welcome to Doug Watters, our newest distributor.

Doug and his wife of one year, Helen make their home in Regent Park. Doug has lived in Ward 7 for the last 20 years and, along with Helen, have become involved in local community groups. The Cabbagetown Arts Centre and the Friends of Shopping Bag Ladies are two such agencies that they support.

Doug will be helping us restructure our newspaper distribution in the Regent Park area, soon.

Thanks, good luck, and the best of the holiday season to your family Doug!



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"Prisoners of Time" Not Timeless

BY PHYLLIS JENSEN

The idea behind the *Prisoners of Time* is exciting. It's set in 2031 AD when a group of aged sixties radicals find themselves in a profit-hungry nursing home and fight back. Unfortunately the play doesn't work. Even the impressive list of actors, designers and directors can't save what is essentially a bad script.

The two-tiered set garishly nostalgic of the sixties (read seventies for Canada) projected onto the future immediately reveals some of the problems. The action takes place by a series of vignettes scattered in various locations on the set suggestive of film techniques more than theatre which needs a central focus and cohesive energy to hold the audience.

The portrayal of the residents' personalities is that boring cliché of the sixties that I wish would self-destruct, but only seems to get more powerful as we get further away from the period. The assumption that the residents would not have moved beyond those fictionalized days is simply naive. It's hard to believe that the writer was personally involved in the civil unrest which began with the bomb marches and moved on to anti-Vietnam demonstrations and a surge in union organizing.

The grubby Mark (Peter McNeill) got quite a few good laughs for his lovable dope-smoking drop-out personality, but when he complained about his incapacity to roll a joint and says "I should have stuck to glue sniffing," it's not funny to anyone in the know. Glue sniffers don't reach old age. It's a chemical addiction of school children now and not of hippies in the past.

Terry Tweed plays the old activist Sharon, who is trying to "get it on with Mark," and also tries to solicit his help

when she discovers foul play in the nursing home. I only wish she hadn't put a false quaver in her voice to suggest age because it only makes it difficult to hear her.

Sylvie (Mary Haney) is one of the more credible creatures in this futuristic performance. She's the non-political person who resorts to individualistic solutions to meet her current needs — in this case stealing food from the kitchens. She is drawn into the protest action by ties of friendship to Sharon and you love her for it.

Lubonic Myktiuk has a good part that is not fully exploited seeing his importance to the plot which doesn't become evident until the final scene. He plays David the amnesiac whose behavior is more a result of habit than conscious decision. His real identity is discovered by two inspectors who look like they escaped from *Sayles' Brother From Another Planet* except the film version is better.

Les Carlson as Hainsworth, the greedy director, looked like he wandered onto the wrong stage. He is dressed in a current three piece suit while the rest of the staff are wonderful in outrageous punk costumes. His character, the capitalist pig with a soft heart, didn't have enough space to develop and he comes across more as a wimp than an evil man.

The biggest disappointment in *Prisoners of Time* is Mrs Williams, the annoying stereotype of a bitch nurse that couldn't be salvaged by the superb talents of Sherry Flett. She plays the tight-ass nurse we see so often in films and on television. While there are many people who are sexually repressed it is debatable whether or not their problems are manifested in uncaring behaviour. It gets tiresome to see this persona laid on women whose work is of a very personal and private nature. The male chauvinist idea that sexually re-

pressed (read independent tough woman) can be suddenly transformed through sexual abuse (kissing on the lips by a lower status male) is offensive to women. The portrayal of a nurse able to financially profit through patient neglect and abuse is a denial of the real position of nurses. They are workers who suffer when budget cuts eat into their meagre wage increases, patient-nurse ratios and destroy their attempts to give good patient care.

A friend of mine who works as a nurse in a geriatric setting was so hurt and insulted by the play that she left at half

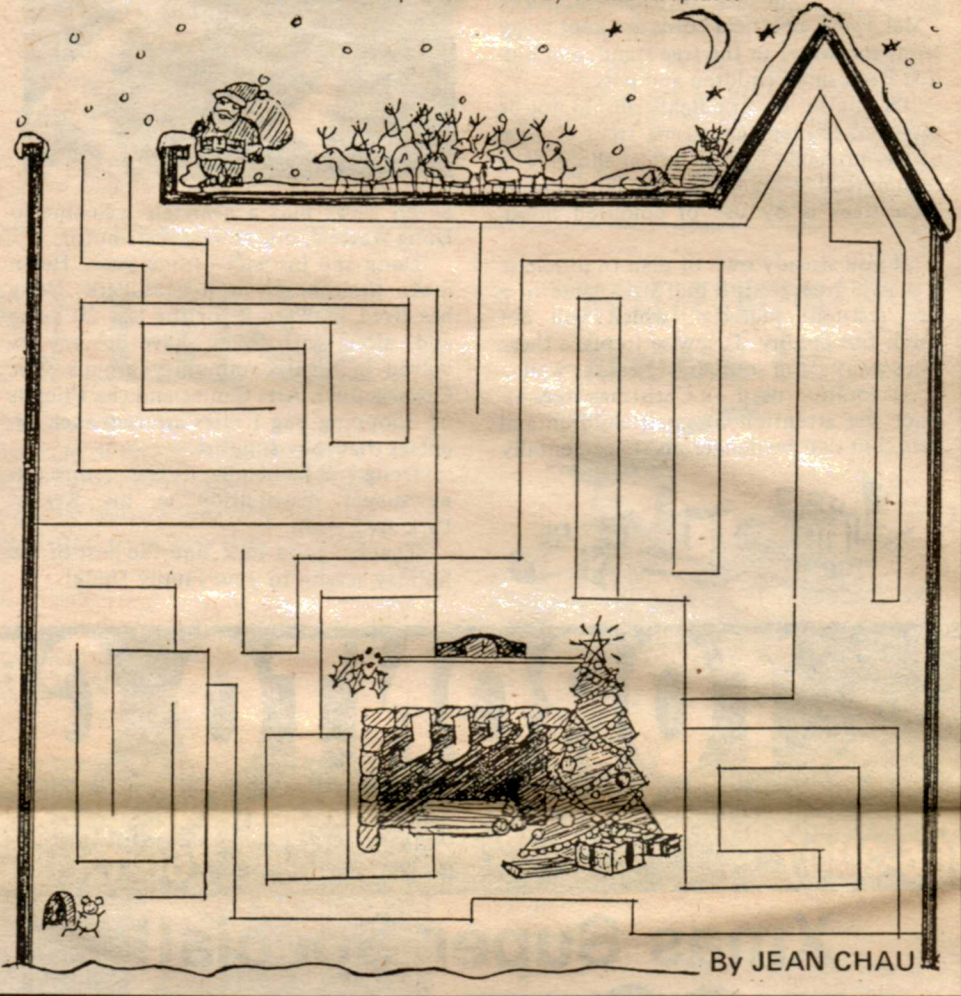
time. I wish I had gone then too.

While Laszlo Barna must be commended for trying to deal with an important subject — profit making from the aged and infirmed — this play avoids the real reasons for this state of affairs. What the play does do is to point to the need for good, politically sensitive theatre that is culturally correct and not the usual Hollywood mess of false and facile stereotypes.

Prisoners of Time runs until December 16. Tickets are available through BASS or the Toronto Free Theatre box office, 26 Berkeley Street. Call 368-2856.

Hi Kids! Question: Can you name Santa's nine reindeer?
Answer: Dasher, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen and Rudolf.

Santa is bringing Christmas goodies. Help Santa find his way down the chimney. The mouse wants to meet Santa. Help it find its way to the fireplace.



By JEAN CHAU

Unique Cabbagetown Gift

1985 is almost here and what better way to plan your new year, than with a Cabbagetown Appointment Calendar. This handy, desk-top-sized calendar is highlighted by delightful sketches depicting life in the downtown east area by the artist Barbara McGeough. By using this approach, she has made it a personal and unique calendar for the residents in our neighbourhood.

The calendar is a Christmas fund raising project for Neighbourhood Information Post (NIP), located at 265 Gerrard Street East. For over a decade, the staff and volunteers at this non-profit organization have been dedicated to serving our

community by publishing a directory on community groups and social programs, and by providing information and referrals in response to questions on economic, legal, and cultural problems.

The calendar costs \$5 each and can be purchased at NIP Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 12:30 and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. or by calling 925-2543 Monday to Friday to reserve a copy. It is important to note that a limited edition of 500 copies has been printed, so be sure to pick one up for yourself or someone on your Christmas list soon.

Merry Christmas from everyone at NIP.



TORONTO BOARD OF EDUCATION

EDUCATION '85 -- WINTER CLASSES REGISTRATION

Toronto Board of Education -- Winter 1985

Beginning in January 1985 the Toronto Board of Education is offering a wide variety of courses in its Continuing Education program. They include general interest courses and semestered courses for secondary school credits.

Registration Information

Register in person at the school of your choice between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Registration for General Interest courses is the week of January 7 to 11, 1985. Registration for most Credit Courses is January 7 and 8, 1985. Classes begin January 21, 1985.

The following is a sampling of courses being offered:

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Saint Luke's United Church

Corner of Carlton & Sherbourne

10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship

Nursery and Sunday School

Fellowship Hour

A welcome to all

Enquiries

924-9619

Little Trinity Anglican

425 King St. E.

Church Office

367-0272

9 a.m.

Holy Communion

10:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer

7 p.m.

Evening Prayer

ST. SIMON'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

525 Bloor St. E.

Rector:

Canon D. H. M. Crane

DEC 23 4:00 PM

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

DEC 24 11:00 PM

Sung Eucharist and Sermon

DEC 25 8:30 AM

Holy Communion

DEC 25 11:00 AM

Sung Eucharist and Sermon

St. Peter's Anglican Church



190 Carlton Street

924-1891

Dec 16 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Holy Communion
4 p.m. Christmas Carol Service

Dec 23 9 a.m. Holy Communion
11 a.m. Confirmation

Dec 24 11:30 p.m. Sung Eucharist

Dec 25 10 a.m. Holy Communion

Dec 26 6 p.m. Holy Communion

Classified

People read Seven News Classifieds (don't believe us? ... what are you doing right now?)

Seven News Classifieds — reach Ward 7 for only \$7 for up to 30 words. Classifieds for the next issue must be received by **January 4**. Send them, with your payment to Classifieds, Seven News, 249 Sherbourne Street, Toronto M5A 2R9.

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The Inter-Church Committee on Human Rights in Latin America (ICCHRLA) is looking for an **Executive Director**. Primary responsibilities include monitoring and analyzing the human rights situation in Latin America; proposing recommendations for Canadian church policy and ongoing response to human rights violations; public interaction with governmental, church, and human rights bodies; and overall administration of the committee's program and coordination of staff team. Qualifications include knowledge and experience of current developments in Latin America; ability to work with ecumenical structures; written and spoken fluency in English and Spanish essential, with French helpful; good communication and administrative skills; and ability to travel in Latin America and Canada. Salary \$28,500 plus benefits. Deadline for applications including names of three references and personal statement outlining interest in this position is **January 31, 1985**. Applications to Sister Noel O'Neill, c/o ICCHRLA, 40 St. Clair Ave. East, Suite 201, Toronto, Ontario M4T 1M9.



MUSIC

William Shackleton's Piano Tuning. Reasonable rates. Call 439-3647.

CARDS OF THANKS

Mrs. Margaret Renwick and daughter Margot (Timmy) of Streetsville, Mississauga extend their thanks and appreciation to those who share in the sad passing of husband and beloved father

James Alexander Renwick MPP, QC.
Mr. Jim to many people of Riverdale

SERVICES

Morrison Contracting — Additions, renovations, bathrooms, kitchens, remodeling, basements, and carpentry. We offer technical advice and permits when necessary. For all your home and office improvements call 298-6914 or 746-2625. Metro Licence B-2776 BBB.

VOLUNTEERS

Central Neighbourhood House needs volunteers to tutor school age children, drivers for seniors, assistants for the stroke club, childrens', teens, day care and adult programs, arts and crafts instructors, basketball coaches, et cetera. Interested in helping? Call Eva 925-4363, 349 Ontario Street.

Everyone Needs Friends. Extend-A-Family is a volunteer organization which encourages new friendships with handicapped children who live in our neighbourhood. It's fun and rewarding! Interested? Call 483-2668.

Interesting activities in a friendly environment. That's what we can offer you if you can spare some time to volunteer at Connexions. You can have your choice of tasks, large or small, and you can set your own times. We need help with office work, writing, layout, taking and developing pictures, typing, fundraising, delivering newspapers and lots of other things. Call the Connexions office at 960-3903

Wanted: new members for the Charles H. Best Diabetic Club. We meet every Thursday at Pape Recreation Centre. Call Marion Osmond 465-8180.



Friday

December 14

Fabian Boutilier presents **Hua Pi: or the Devil Paints a Woman**. The story of a scholar and his encounter with a devil is based on an ancient Chinese tradition, adapted for live performance as a dance drama. Opens tonight through December 23 at the Winchester Street Theatre, 80 Winchester Street. Admission is \$5, matinee admission free to children accompanied by adult. Call 536-4352.

Spadina Road Tabernacle Band sing old Wobbly songs, jigs and reels, women's movement songs, Canadian country, blues, rock and reggae. Also featured are music of Toronto events like the cleaners strike, and the Island homes battle. They invite you to join in with band songsheets. \$4 at the New Trojan Horse Cafe. Call 461-8367.

The Fallout Shelter presents Newton and Watson, violin duo, a performance for peace at 9 p.m. \$3, 370 Queen Street East at Parliament. Call 362-0354.

Saturday

December 15

Saul Canzer of social services will be a guest at **St. Paul's Church**, on Power Street (in basement) from 1:30 to 3:45 p.m. All welcome.

Monday

December 17

Christmas Supper at the East Toronto Area Seniors Centre. Michael Latner will present plans of the proposed new centre and of the apartment units and there will be a Christmas concert by the Troubadours Unlimited. Dinner is at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$5. Call 690-3877.

Another Stage and the Theatre Centre present Snoo Wilsons' Blowjob. Two Brixton skinheads dress up as a working class couple to rob the home of an aged queen. Through a bizarre turn of events they perpetrate the ultimate blowjob. Runs from December 18 to 23. Tuesday to Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday 8:30 and 11:30 p.m. Sunday 2:30 p.m. Tickets \$5 and \$6; advance tickets available at Glad Day Bookshop, Pages, Five Star Tickets. The Theatre Centre at Poor Alex. Call 927-8998.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday

December 19

Sesqui Beard Growing Contest. Over 60 entrants will compete for prizes courtesy of Wilkinson Sword. Categories include: softest beard, longest beard and best overall beard. Judging takes place at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Rotunda. Call 947-1984.

The whole family, and especially the children, will enjoy **Films at the Forum**, a holiday gift from Centrestage Forum and the National Film Board. This special selection of entertaining Canadian films includes such seasonal favourites as *The Story of Christmas*, *The Sweater*, and *The Tender Tale of Cinderella Penguin*, as well as new children's films from the NFB's animation studios. At the St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front Street East, free tickets available by calling 366-7723.

Friday

December 21

The Cabbagetown Community Arts Centre, in co-operation with the Toronto Christian Resource Centre, tonight presents a **Christmas Showcase**. A variety show, featuring a cast of over 40 kids performing dance, music and karate demonstration. Proceeds will go to help the Cabbagetown Community Arts Centre, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing disadvantaged youth with opportunities in the arts, recreation and education. 40 Oak Street (1 block south on Gerrard, east of Parliament), 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Adults \$3, kids \$2. Call 925-7222.

Today is the Winter Solstice. At 11:23 a.m. the north pole reaches its maximum tilt away from the sun and starts to return and the days begin to get longer. Winter may just be starting, but spring is already on the way! Today is the shortest day of the year, with only eight hours and 55 minutes between sunrise at 7:49 a.m. and sunset at 4:44 p.m.

Saturday

December 22

The Kids of Degraffi Street: This award-winning series of half-hour films will be shown continuously today and tomorrow from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Studio Theatre. Free. Call 364-5665.

Sunday

December 23

Come Ice Skating! at Nathan Phillips Square today from 2 to 4 p.m. No charge just bring yourself and busfare, they have skates. Leaving club at 2 p.m. The John Howard Society of Metro Toronto. Call 925-4386.



Thursday

December 27

Mayor's Blood Donor Clinic. Give a gift of life. The clinic will take place on the main floor of City Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Call 923-6692 ext. 290.

Saturday

December 29

All Toronto Seniors over 55: East Toronto Area Seniors Centre presents its second annual New Year's Eve party. Tickets are \$10 each and include a live band, refreshment, favours, area transportation for those who require it (if so, please advise when purchasing ticket). There will be music and a cash bar. At the Adam Beck Community Centre. Call 690-3877.

Monday

December 31

New Year's Eve 'Dry' Party from 6:30 p.m. until midnight at Good Shepard. A mixture of events — bingo, meal, movie, et cetera. All welcome.

Sesqui New Year's Eve Party. The Sesqui year will go out in style with skating on the Nathan Phillips Square rink, three party bands, show, lowering of the Sesqui flag, and a few other surprises to ring in the New Year. Call 947-1984.

Wednesday

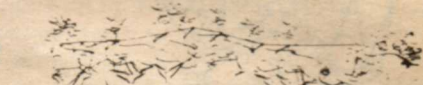
January 2

The Toronto Field Naturalists are holding an indoor nature walk today through the greenhouses in Allen Gardens. Meet at the entrance to the greenhouses just south of Carlton and west of Sherbourne, at 11 a.m.

Friday

January 4

The City of Toronto Cycling Committee is going to hold a conference on Cycling and the Law on January 4 and 5 at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. The purpose of the conference will be to examine the legal status of cyclists vis-a-vis traffic laws and their enforcement, and bicycle product safety standards. Announcing the conference, alderman Jack Layton said that "I view the conference as an opportunity to publicize the legally correct and



safe way for cyclists to behave and to positively influence motorists' perceptions of cyclists. It will also provide a forum in which to refine and develop Ontario's traffic laws so they become the most practical and equitable."

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have an item for the next (January 11) issue of 7 News, please have your material in by Friday, January 4. Events between January 11 and January 25 should go in this issue.

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Season's Greetings



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December 14, 1984



Dear Friends: The holiday season is a special time for all of us in St. George; a time when we reflect on our accomplishments of the past year, spend time with the family and friends, and set our sights on the challenges of the year ahead. My warmest wishes go to all of you for a joyful, festive season and a happy and peaceful 1985
Yours sincerely, Susan Fish
MPP, St. George



Season's Greetings! Changing Places Theatre



Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year from Lynn McDonald

Happy Chanukah
Guiliana, Bob, Alessandra and Reva Katz



Lois Stuart Wishes Everyone a Merry Christmas—Walter Stuart says 'Bah, Humbug.'

Christmas and New Year's wishes to Barrie Chavel from a secret admirer.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS to Ward Seven

May God's richest blessing be with you and yours this Christmas season.
Services 9 and 10:30 a.m.
December 24, 11:00 p.m.
December 25, 10:30 a.m.
St. Barnabas Church, 361 Danforth

Merry Christmas to Seven News
Barbara and Bob Beardsley

We wish all Ward 7 residents a Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year
Joanne Campbell, Gordon Cressy, and young Joseph



Merry Christmas to Seven News
Howard Huggett

Best Christmas wishes to Ward Seven from Barbara Hall and Jim MacKenzie



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Keith Tarswell



SEASON'S GREETINGS
from Meg Floyd & Jordan Grant

Merry Christmas Ward Seven! from David Reville, Cathy Jones and Jane Reville

To all the staff, many thanks for all your hard work. Best wishes for a happy enjoyable holiday season.
John and Nora Gilbert

Warm wishes for the holiday season and the coming year from Ward 7 Trustees
Pam McConnell, Fran Endicott, and their families.



Merry Christmas to the staff and volunteers of Seven News, with appreciation
Satu Repo

The Fulton Flamingoes, back from their St. Lawrence Hall debut, join their owner in wishing Ward Seven a tasteful, refined, and very happy holiday season.



As another year draws to a close, Seven News would like to thank all of the people who helped us make it through another year. Without their support, we couldn't have done it. While no list can include everyone, the people whom we wish to thank include: our volunteer distributors, the brave people who co-signed our loans, our dedicated, underpaid and wonderful staff, our volunteer writers, cartoonists and photographers, our skilled layout volunteers, and last but not least our enthusiastic and hard working Board of Directors. Among those we are not able to thank individually at this time are our advertisers and those who contributed to our fund-raising efforts in 1984. Thanks folks! See you in '85!

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