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RCAF YEAR END ROUND-UP 1963

Three events of international significance highlighted RCAF activities in 1963. They were:

The re-equipping of RCAF squadrons in Europe with the CF-104 supersonic Starfighter aircraft—and training their pilots in the new strike and reconnaissance roles.

The nuclear agreement between Canada and the United States, signed in August, permits the acquisition of nuclear weapons for the 1st Air Division in Europe, for the Bomarc squadrons at North Bay, Ont., and La Macaza, Que., and for the CF101B Voodoo interceptor squadrons in Canada.

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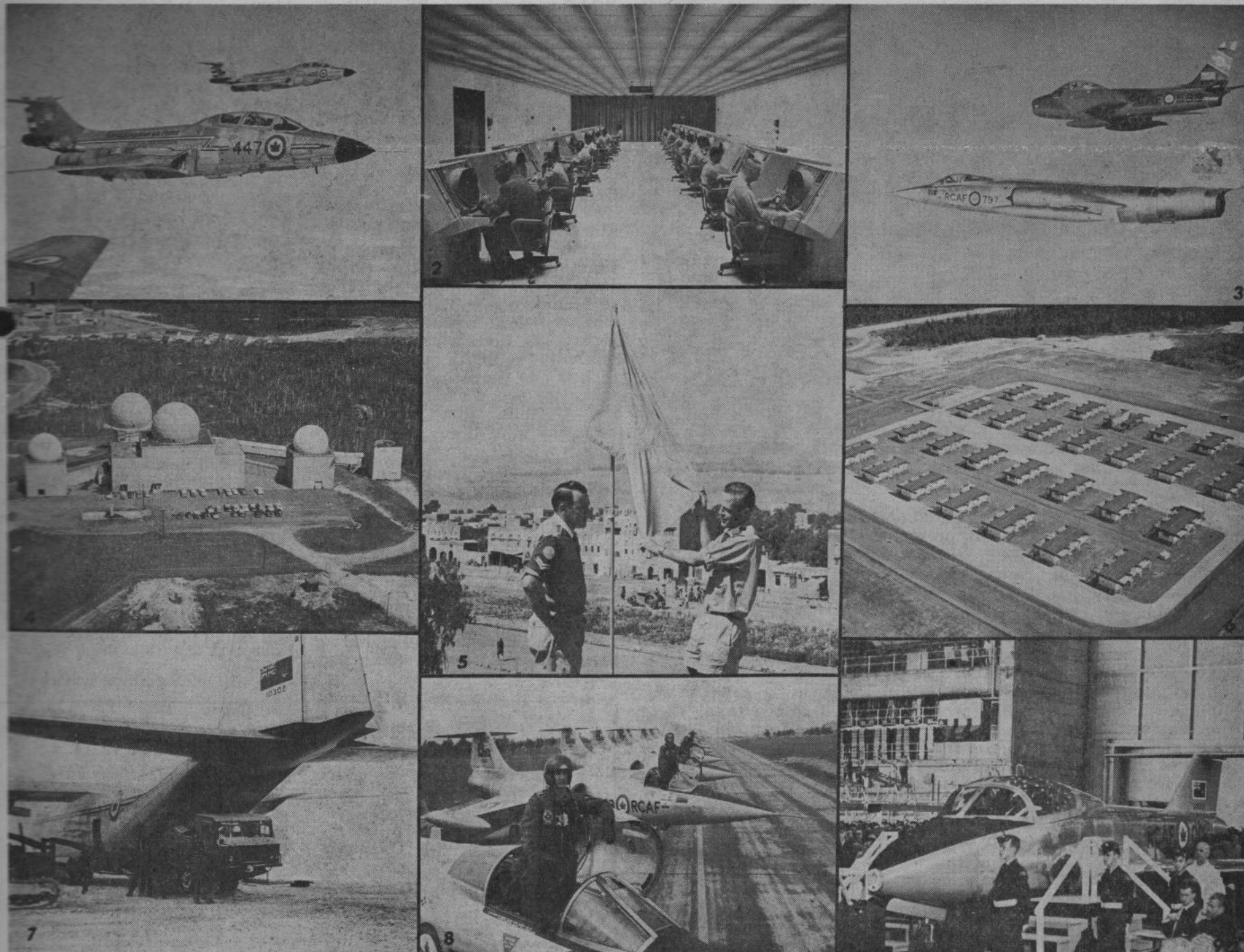
Semi-Automatic Ground Environment (SAGE) control centre near North Bay, Ont.

NORAD

In September, when the North Bay SAGE site was officially opened, complete with its 276-ton electronic computer, it became the first fully operational underground installation of its kind in North America. It was turned over to Air-Vice Marshal J. B. Harvey, Commander of the Northern NORAD Region, one of eight regions in North America.

The RCAF also took over operation of the last of 11 U.S. manned Pinetree Line radar sites in Canada at Lowther, Ont., on June 26. Some

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1—Supersonic CF-101B Voodoo interceptors.
2—Radar controllers in the underground SAGE centre near North Bay, Ont.
3—CF-104 aircraft (bottom) with a NATO strike and reconnaissance role have superseded F-86 fighter aircraft in NATO-assigned squadrons.
4—An RCAF Pinetree radar unit.
5—RCAF personnel on duty with the United Nations in Yemen raise UN flag in Sanaa.
6—RCAF has two such Bomarc air defence missile squadrons.
7—The C-130B Hercules transport can airlift 12 tons of cargo 3400 miles at 340 miles per hour.
8—CF-104 Starfighter pilots stand in their aircraft on a European farmac.
9—RCAF's new jet trainer, the Tutor, is now in production.



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FIRE CHIEF'S TROPHY AWARDED TO SERVICING WEST



WO2 F. J. Sagriff, Station Fire Chief, presents the Fire Chief's Trophy to WO1 E. J. Cassidy, representative of Aircraft Servicing West.

On the Commanding Officer's Parade held on January 10 the Commanding Officer, G/C D. A. Willis, presented WO1 E. J. Cassidy, representing Aircraft Servicing West, with the Fire Chief's Award for outstanding achievement in fire hazard control.

A visit to Servicing West with its clearly defined fire lanes and extinguisher boards immediately indicates to even the layman that here is a fire conscious organization.

The organization goes much deeper than fire lanes and extinguisher boards, with comprehensive Section Fire Orders. It is practically impossible to outline specific duties for hangar personnel in the event of fire due to the number of variables which may exist at the time. These orders, however, outline the major responsibilities of appointed Fire Wardens and other personnel and the immediate action to be taken in the event of fire. These orders also outline fire checks to be conducted by designated persons, prior to the end of shifts, weekends and holidays when the section is occupied, such as inspection of all office, work areas, locker rooms and oil and paint stores for fire hazards and the immediate reporting to the fire hall of all suspected hazards or extinguisher un-serviceability.

Additionally, this fire prevention programme has instilled in the personnel of this section a fire consciousness second to none.

In conclusion let it be said that it was by no means an easy task to select the award winner. The efforts put forward by the service and civilian personnel of RCAF Winnipeg are to be highly commended and gladden the heart of all concerned with the preservation of life and property.

The Fire Chief, WO2 F. J. Sagriff, wishes to congratulate Servicing West, and to thank all at RCAF Station Winnipeg for a job well done.

RCAF ROUND-UP

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of these sites, along with some on the Mid-Canada and DEW Line, feed information to the SAGE site at North Bay.

In October, the announcement was made that the Ground Observers Corps, comprising about 1,200 civilian volunteers, was to be disbanded. The corps was formed in 1951 during the construction stage of the early warning lines.

NATO

In Europe the RCAF role in NATO changed from an air defence role to strike and reconnaissance roles. During the year, six squadrons—two in France and four in Germany—were re-equipped with CF-104 Starfighter aircraft. Two more squadrons are slated to be similarly equipped next year bringing the total to eight squadrons within 1 Air Division.

Meanwhile, on Nov. 1 the last of the Sabre aircraft were flown from Marville, France, to Scotland for disposal action. The CF-100 aircraft in Europe were also retired earlier in the year.

TRAINING

The first of 190 new "Tutor" jet trainers, built by Canadair Limited in Montreal, was accepted by the RCAF in October. As they roll off the assembly line these new aircraft will be phased into the Training Command inventory. For the first time in the RCAF, student pilots will take their initial and basic flying training on jet aircraft.

Pilots continue to be trained on CF-104 aircraft at RCAF Station Cold Lake, Alta., an Air Defence Command base.

AIR TRANSPORT

The RCAF's two Comet jet transport aircraft were retired from service in October and flown to Mountain View, near Trenton, Ont., for storage pending disposal action. The Comets came into service with the RCAF in the summer of 1953 and were flown mainly on transport operations by 412 Squadron, Uplands. The Comet workload has now been absorbed by Yukon aircraft.

437 Squadron, Trenton, which in addition to a regularly scheduled airlift of personnel and supplies to the NATO squadrons in Europe, flew emergency missions to South America and Pakistan.

A Yukon aircraft, loaded with more than 12 tons of Red Cross and other supplies, left Trenton in June for East Pakistan following a disastrous cyclone that struck that country.

Three months later, aircrews from Air Transport Command were again called on to carry out another emergency mission—this time to South America. Twenty tons of powdered milk and four tons of canned meat were airlifted to Curitiba—a flood disaster area.

In Canada, Yukons, Flying Box-cars and Hercules aircraft shuttled men and material between major military centres and far northern outposts.

Not the least of Air Transport Command's commitments during the year was the rotation of a battalion of the Canadian Infantry Brigade in Germany. In all, about 4,000 soldiers plus their families were airlifted in the rotation between Canada and Europe in an operation that got under way in August.

In addition, Air Transport Command played a major role in world affairs during the year. Regular flights were made in support of the United Nations Emergency Forces in the Congo, Yemen and the Middle East.

UNITED NATIONS

In June, 134 Air Transport Unit, with 50 officers and men, was assigned to the United Nations in Yemen as the aerial contingent of the eight nation U.N. observer team.

The need for UN observation in the Middle East country arose from the conflict between the Republican government in power in Yemen and the Royalist government in exile. When the United Nations negotiated an agreement between the warring factions to 'disengage' while negotiations were being carried out, it positioned an observation team in the country.

In September 1962, two Otter Aircraft with aircrews and supporting equipment were assigned to UN security forces supervising the transfer of sovereignty of West New Guinea. Canadian responsibility in this area continued until May, 1963 when RCAF personnel returned to Canada.

In other UN operations, the RCAF continued its support in the Congo. Two Yukon aircraft a month continued to cross the Atlantic to Pisa, Italy and then to Leopoldville with personnel and supplies for the Canadian UN contingent.

In the Middle East, Canadian Caribou and Otter aircraft of 115 Air Transport Unit at El Arish, Egypt, continued their desert patrols and light transport operations over the Sinai area.

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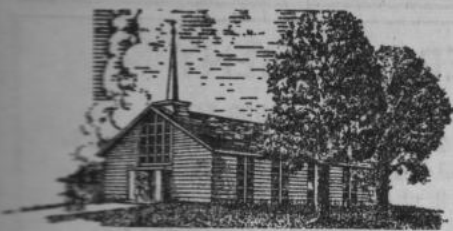
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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPEL NEWS

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MASSES

Sunday — 9 and 11 a.m.
Weekdays — 9.30 p.m.
Saturday — 11 a.m.
First Friday — 4.30 & 8.30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday — Before every Mass.
Saturday — 1900-2000 hours.
Sunday—Before and during both Masses.
Other times—by appointment.

Note: If there is no priest in the Confessional, ring "Confession Bell." Parents are asked to remind their children to come to Confession after school on Friday afternoon, that is, from 1600 to 1630 hours.

NURSERY SERVICE

During 11 o'clock Mass, young children of parents who attend this Mass will be cared for by nursery service in the Chaplains' quarters.

BAPTISM

Usually on Sunday afternoon. If this is inconvenient, another day of the week may be chosen. Telephone the Chaplain's secretary during working hours to arrange the date and the hour. This will make it possible for the papers and certificates to be filled in beforehand.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Chaplain or his secretary at least one month beforehand if both parties are Catholics. In the case of a prospective mixed marriage, notice should be given at least two months in advance in order to give time for the couple to follow the instructions required by Church Law.

SENIOR CHOIR PRACTICE is held every Thursday at 7.30 p.m.

JUNIOR CHOIR PRACTICE every Friday at 6.30 p.m.

ALTAR BOY CLASSES every Thursday at 6 p.m.

"The reward of a thing well done is to have done it," thought Ralph Waldo Emerson, American poet and philosopher.

"If good men were only better, would the wicked be so bad?" asked James Chadwick, the English physicist.

PROTESTANT CHAPEL NEWS

Chaplains: (local 417)
Rev. C. H. White (S/L), Res.: 837-3832.
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SUNDAY SERVICE

Holy Communion (Anglican Rite) — 9 a.m.
Divine Worship & Sermon—11 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SESSIONS

9:30 a.m.—Ages 6, 7, 8—Bldg. 62.
11:00 a.m.—Nursery in Chapel.
11:00 a.m.—Ages 4 and 5—Bldg. 62.
1:30 p.m.—Ages 9, 10, 11—Bldg. 62.

TEEN TIMES

Senior Teens—Mr. and Mrs. Syrett, leaders meet in Chapel Rooms Sunday 7 p.m.
Junior Teens—Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, leaders meet in Chapel Sunday 9:45 a.m.

1964 WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES

These sets are available (gratis) at the Chapel on Sunday, or from the Chapel Secretary during the week. This provides a systematic way of practicing Christian stewardship. Seventy-five per cent of our offerings is used for Missionary work of the Church at home and overseas.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION

Personnel interested in preparation for Baptism and/or Confirmation are asked to speak to the Chaplains. The Anglican Confirmation Service will be 15 March; the United and Presbyterian on 8 March.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

The Chaplains have daily devotions at the Chapel. Your Prayer requests are welcomed. To assist you in daily Bible Reading, the devotional booklets, The Upper Room and Bible Reading Fellowship, are available at the Chapel, gratis.

EPIPHANY PRAYER

Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the Prayers of thy people which call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENIOR TEENS

Elections of new officers will take place Sunday, January 19th, in the Protestant Chapel annex. It is very important that everyone comes to this meeting because a major crisis has arisen. We would like a turnout of about 45, to make this meeting a success.

"For prayer to be effective," wrote Saint Thomas Aquinas, the prince of scholastic philosophers, "our petitions should be for benefits worthily to be expected from God."

"Democracy is ever eager for rapid progress, and the only progress which can be rapid is progress down hill," said Sir James Jeans, the English astronomer and physicist.

Distaff Side

Recently news has come to us of a program offered by the Y.W.C.A. in Winnipeg called the Y.W. Neighbours. The "Y" hopes to interest young Air Force wives, many of whom are newcomers to Winnipeg, tied down with small children, and establish a "line of communication" with these people. The program is offered by the Adult Education and Creative Arts Department of the Y.W.C.A. Y.W. Neighbours are groups of young married women meeting in their own neighborhood once a week in the mornings, 9.30 to 11.30 or afternoons 1.30 to 3.30 on any day most convenient to the group. A qualified nursery supervisor has a nursery program for the preschool children in a neighbour's home while the mothers are at their meeting. The first half hour is spent doing keep fit exercises under the leadership of a member in the group who has received some training from the physical education director of the Y.W.C.A. Coffee is a favourite break with a planned program following. The program usually tries to include the opportunity for group discussion.

Each group elects a volunteer leader. She attends a training seminar and works closely with the Y.W.C.A. staff regarding program material and resources and the smooth running of her group. The group leader usually leads the discussion unless a guest speaker presents the resource material. As the group grow in their enjoyment of group discussion they will find more of their own resource material and conduct discussions using one or two of their own members as resource leaders.

The groups plan their own programs. For this year the most popular topics seem to be: Great Religions, Role of Women in the World, European Common Market, Canada's Political Structure, Basic Principles of the Four Major Parties, The Indian-Metis Situation, Bi-Culturalism, Racial Discrimination. Groups have also studied topics closer to home such as: Landscaping, Love, Courtship and Marriage Laws of Interest to Women, Child Psychology, Millinery, Manitoba Theatre, Art Gallery and so on. The scope for discussion and interest is limitless.

There are four sessions a years. Two are in the Fall and two are held after Christmas. Each session consists of six meetings. Five of these are held in the neighbourhood and the sixth is an "in-building". The sixth meeting held at the Y.W.C.A. is attended by all the Y.W. Neighbours groups. The program begins with keep-fit exercises in the gym, followed by coffee break and some form of program which is decided upon by all the leaders of all the groups. A swim, lunch and the remainder of the program round out the time between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. A nursery is included for the children.

A Y.W.C.A. membership which is valid for one year costs \$3.00. Each session of the program (6 weeks) costs \$3.50. The total cost for the year is \$17.00. There are groups in Fort Garry, St. Vital, East Elmwood, East Kildonan, Silver Heights, Birchwood Heights, Charleswood, and River Heights

If you wish to join or form a Y.W. Neighbours group in our community please call Mrs. Irene Bilimovich or Mrs. Sally Shwetz, staff advisors to Y.W. Neighbours, Y.W.C.A., WH 2-2407.

Ladies of the Protestant Ladies Chapel Guild are reminded that there are still a number of items such as cake plates, pans, tablecloths and trays which were used at the bazaar and have as yet remained unclaimed by the owners. There is a box of these items in the back of the chapel on the kitchen counter. If you happen to be one of the owners of missing items perhaps it would be a good idea to check this box.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK Economical Meat Pies

Pastry:
2 cups flour
3/4 cup lard
1/4 cup cold water
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
Sift flour and salt. Cut in lard. Add prepared mustard to cold water, mix, and add to dough. Mix lightly with fork. Roll on floured board and cut in desired sizes for pies.

Filling:
1 lb. hamburger
1/3 green pepper, chopped
1 medium sized onion, chopped
1/3 cup celery, chopped
1 tablespoon worcestershire sauce
1 heaping tablespoon flour
salt and pepper to taste
vegetable water

In 1 tablespoon fat in heavy frying pan, saute green pepper, onion and celery until tender, about 5 minutes. Add hamburger and flavorings and fry until lightly browned. Add heaping tablespoon of flour and enough vegetable water to make a thick juicy hash.

Line large muffin tins with pastry, fill pastry 2/3 full of meat mixture, cover with vented pastry, and bake in 375 degree oven for about 25 minutes. This is a budget-saver recipe which I have used and enjoyed for years.

These pies may be made up in larger lots and frozen to be used at a future date. They keep well and may just be re-heated at moderate temperatures when needed. They are a great treat after an evening outdoors, such as skating or tobogganning.

On Saturday January 25th, the annual Girl Guide Camp Tea will be held in the Hudson's Bay Auditorium from 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Guide and Brownie mothers are being asked to donate candy to be sold at the tea. Proceeds are for improvements at Caddy Lake Girl Guide Camp. All interested persons are cordially invited to attend the tea. Tickets are available from the Brownies and Guides on the station at a low cost of 25c.

Brownie Packs on the Station are still in need of some help from mothers. If there is anyone interested in this work they are asked to contact Mrs. Jean McArter for further information at VE 2-6821.

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TEEN BEAT

(From an Article in the OTTAWA JOURNAL)

'Surf-City, Sydney, Australia'

The time of the "surfie" is on Sydney again. Surfing has been a popular sport on Sydney's beaches for years. Youth took to it with the same skill and gusto they brought to tennis and cricket. But since 18-year-old Sydney surfer "Midget" Farrelly won the world championship last year, surfing has become more than just a sport. It is a subculture with its own folk heroes, language, books, magazines, records, music, and films.

The "Surfie" carefully cultivates the recognized badges of the sport. In a Sydney bank or hotel a flash of bright yellow hair identifies a teller or a bellboy as a member of the tribe. Dedicated tribesmen abet the sun's bleaching action with peroxide, lemon juice, or even sink cleanser.

Surfboards are registered like automobiles and can be confiscated by beach inspectors if they are misused. There are more than 20,000 boards in the city.

The surfies' dance is the "stomp"—a prehistoric shuffle which is about all one can do in deep sand. Several Stomp halls have opened there recently. The latest, called Surf City, is a former movie palace which packs in 2,500 teenagers every Saturday night. Popular surf songs include "Hanging Five," about the five toes which an expert drapes just over the front of a surfboard. Another hit is something called "He's My Blond-Headed, Stompie Wompie, Real Gone Surfer Boy." Occasionally, the stomping and wumping gets out of hand. While Sydney's residents conform on the beaches and in the barbecue pits, they have a stubborn streak of nonconformity which seems to come out best on sidewalks and fences. Sydney's best known sidewalk scribbler is Arthur Stace, an 80-year-old pensioner who for 30 years has been writing "Eternity" on the city's footpaths. However, the art has a long and honourable history there. It was used first in political causes. Recently, all sorts of strange scrawls have been appearing. They include "Surfies Are For Ever," and "Keep The Pope Off The Moon."

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Speaking of elephant jokes . . .

A Los Angeles high school paper explains: "There is no set punch line to remember, just make up one as you go. For instance the question 'Why do elephants have flat feet?' can be answered by 'From jumping out of trees,' or 'From stamping out forest fires.' Both answers are equally as improbable, but draw a laugh. That is another reason for their popularity—their senselessness.

Elephant jokes are a great escape from an over-mechanized existence and have been found to emit chuckles from even the staunch intellectuals."

Some examples are:

—How do you make an elephant float? . . . With two scoops of ice cream, an elephant and some root beer.

—How do you make a statue of an elephant? . . . Get a large piece of stone and cut away anything that doesn't look like an elephant.

However, elephant jokes have been receiving some pretty stiff competition from the "purple" jokes.

—What's purple and buzzes? . . . An electric plum.

—What's purple and has a beard? . . . Mitch Grape.

—What's purple and stomps out burning flowers? . . . Smokey the Plum.

A certain member of this little girl's family came up with a real beaut the other day What's purple, sounds terrible, and is very seldom shut off? CKRplum. (That last joke, needless to say, is a purely adult opinion, and will probably only add to the popularity of that radio station.)

Well time flies and so must I. Happy 1964.

RED RIVER REELERS

By MINNA MORTON

The Red River Reelers Square Dancers squared up on Tuesday, 7th January, the first gathering in 1964. It was an excellent beginning with seven squares in full swing. Regular members were joined by many newcomers.

Ron Warren, who started this club in 1959 and since transferred, was present. He expressed his pleasure at finding the hall full of dancers. He took a hand at a few familiar calls and extended good wishes from his wife (Mil) and Red River Reelers, transferred and now with his club in Ottawa.

Also present were our callers, Dick and Gladys Carson, who taught our 1963 beginners. Dick and Gladys have very graciously consented to take on another Beginners' Group, commencing Thursday, 16th January, at 8:30 p.m. in building 24. So those of you who are interested in learning to square dance, come out, join us and have fun.

Eric Pearson's showing of movies he took at our Christmas party was greatly appreciated.

Regular square dancing will continue on Tuesday nights.

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The following program will appear on CBC Channel 3 on Wednesday, 22 January:

THE RED ROSE AND THE WHITE

On Henry V's death, his baby son becomes Henry VI of England. The infant's two Protectors, one of the House of Lancaster and the other of York, are politically divided. . . . The long-festering enmity between their two Houses finally erupts into the famous War of the Roses.

After Henry V's death, his French conquests are soon lost. His surviving brothers, Bedford and Gloucester, are appointed Protectors of the infant Henry VI.

Gloucester soon quarrels with Cardinal Beaufort, and the leaderless nobles revive the old squabble over the rightful succession. The two factions, supporting either the ruling House of Lancaster or that of York, chose red and white roses respectively as their emblem.

The boy Henry VI stands uneasily between his warring noblemen. In France, heroic Joan of Arc (la Pucelle) defeats the English army under brave Talbot. However, that victory is short-lived. Joan of Arc is soon captured—condemned—and tragically burned at the stake as a witch. A shoddy peace is achieved between England and France.

Suffolk, of the House of Lancaster, engineers a marriage between the young King and Margaret of Anjou. The Machiavellian matchmaker intends to become Margaret's lover, once she is Queen—and through her, to rule England.

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By Mick

A belated "Happy New Year" to all! Probably all those New Year resolutions are broken by now, but somehow the Christmas season didn't lend itself to column writing and there's the reason this column was absent last Friday. One faithful reader (whadaya mean—the only one!?) expressed his disappointment so it seems my apologies are in order.

While on the subject of column writing, I wonder who wrote up the specifications on the Cosmopolitan in last week's edition! If that's the way it really is, I think flying is not safer than driving after all! As I said, the Christmas season is not the perfect time for column preparation!

The Mess is back in operation again after the holidays. The record dance was surprisingly well attended on Saturday evening, as was the movie on Sunday—can't understand why there were so many cadets around the base this weekend! As for the remainder of the month, we have a Band Dance scheduled for the 18th and a Graduation Dance on the 24th. So take your girl, support the Mess, and make these events a success.

Our PMC, O/C Mike Owen, is at present residing across the river in Fort Osborne where he is recovering from an attack of the mumps. This seems to be one of those illnesses that generally occur during childhood but sometimes catch up with us later on in life—no insinuations meant Mike! We wish you a speedy recovery and hope to see you back again very soon.

Everyone seems to have spent a very enjoyable holiday, but here are one of two anecdotes concerning some of the cadet body.

Despite a flat tire, Jim Ross made it to his destination in Ontario to find himself the father of a bouncing baby daughter, and not twins earlier forecast. Congratulations!

Airiens Pone and co-driver managed to get lost while searching for a gas station in the vicinity of Madison, Wisconsin. They carried on, and the next day got lost in the Chicago area, or should I say "uncertain of position!?" Some navigators! He returned via TCA so that shows how much confidence he had!

Wayne Todd spent New Year's Eve sitting in his car in a snow drift until two in the morning when a farmer pulled him out with the aid of a farm horse.

O/C's Ley, Fisher and Pearson drove all the way to California with a side trip to Mexico for two of them, then ran into car trouble in B.C. They arrived back a few hours later than the Air Force would have liked, and sad to say, they won't be venturing too far afield during the next two or three months.

That just about ties things up for this week, but here is one which is kind of cute—What is black, dangerous, and sits in a tree? How about a crow with a machine gun!

See you next week.

MOVING SOMEWHERE?

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By DICK GINTER

Congratulations to Dak Flight on winning the Fire Prevention Trophy. It was accepted by WO1 E. J. Cassidy on behalf of 11 hgr and is presented to the section that rates highest in housekeeping, condition of equipment, elimination of fire hazards, etc. The organization for possible emergencies is also an important factor. The personnel of 11 hgr have earned the trophy by diligently observing all fire regulations and fire prevention rules as well as keeping the hangar neat and clean.

Expeditor Flight also deserves a well done for coming a close second in this race for perfection.

Congratulations to Don Grouette and Cec Powell on their promotions to Corporal.

Don was moved to 10 hgr to fill the vacancy created by Al Lamb's transfer to Moose Jaw on the 13 Jan 64.

Frank Chase was back for a while after his transfer to Yemen was cancelled just before Christmas. His relief however was short lived as he is on his way again on the 20th.

LAC and Mrs. Terry Wilson were blessed with the birth of a baby girl on the 6 Jan. Best wishes to you all.

LAC and Mrs. Cuerrrier are also to be congratulated. The stork ushered in the New Year for them by delivering a brother for the four girls. All the best.

Sgt. Forman had an enjoyable Christmas dinner. And he had teeth to eat it with. He wishes to thank the Dental Staff for their all out effort and fine workmanship.

Those big airplanes you've seen in 16 Hgr lately are the RAF Britannias here to ferry troops to Churchill. They're on winter operations training and they sure picked the right time and place. One of them was overheard saying, "Coo blimey, but it's cold here!" We agree!

Flight Browley is thinking of starting a second hand store stocked with items left in the aircraft such as: shoes, socks, scarves, flight boots, skis, sheets, thermos bottles, what have you . . .

LAC Dalgleish is a good advertisement for the Ford Motor Co. since he bought a second Mercury. This one is completely automatic all around.



By MICHAEL J. KOSTER

"Varieties" of certain coins are sometimes confusing to the beginner. As everything else, learning about varieties takes time, so you're not alone.

It is essential that the collector should be familiar with the terms in general use defining "condition" because the extent of wear governs the category in which a coin is graded: "Very Good," "Fine," "Very Fine" and so on: not only the description of each but the visual judging of the extent of wear and where it first appears on each type of coin.

The difference between two coins of the same denomination and date may be difficult to distinguish. This is where a magnifying glass (lens) really comes in handy.

The next meeting of the Station Coin Club's Astra Numismatic Society will be held this coming Tuesday evening at 2000 hrs. We are requesting that all members bring their coin sets for display purposes to give the newcomers an idea of how to get started on coin collecting. That's on Tuesday, 21 January, '64, in the GIS Theatre, ANS, Mawdesley Hall. All are welcome.

TERMS OF UNION

"I'm very sorry," said the clerk in the marriage license bureau, "but you just can't marry her without permission. She's a minor."

"You mean," said the young man, "that I have to ask John L. Lewis?"

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AS THE EDITOR SEES IT

An Open Letter to Mordecai Richler by R. C. Cornish
Trenton, Ont.

EDITOR'S NOTE—An article in a recent issue of MacLean's Magazine, on the Social Side of the Cold War, by Mordecai Richler, has caused some anguish in service circles. Its impression of the RCAF is summed up in the final paragraph: "In short, the RCAF may take good care of you, but it certainly doesn't (as they used to say) make a man out of you. It's a boy's life." This is my answer. The view below is my own, but I think it is a fairer one than a cursory visit to some messes affords.

While you were in Europe, did you do any research into the conduct of Canadian newspapermen abroad?

That might have been interesting, and you might have drawn a few conclusions which would have titillated your readers no end, even if they proved nothing. I see that you upheld the tradition, visiting the bars to hold conversations.

It's odd.

I was at 4 Wing in September. I met some of the people you mention, including Flight Lieutenant Jack Cahan and Flying Officer Bill McPherson.

Of course Jack is a bit breezy, and does say "Buster," and acts the hail fellow well met. And Bill is a pleasant, rather unobtrusive sort of fellow.

And the fellows do inhabit the bars, in the messes.

But did you talk to people like F/L Don Schneider?

Perhaps he was already dead when you got there.

No, not from one of those road accidents you talk about.

He was flying a CF-104, you know, one of these flying Thunderbolts which whips along a few feet above the ground on tactical strike or reconnaissance runs. Of course it was a peacetime practice, and he was not flying to kill, or in hatred.

But he was doing what I found all the other men and women over there doing—a job.

And in the course of doing it, through some tiny error in calculation, or some tiny mechanical problem — no one knew which when I was there — he scattered his two million dollar machine on the ground, and died in the flaming wreckage.

A hero?

Oh no, not in the accepted sense. Just a man who got into the RCAF to do a job. I don't know why he enlisted. Maybe it was a better job than he could get elsewhere. Maybe there was no more security than he could get through an industrial job with all its fringe benefits.

But he was there, and he was trying to do a tough job as well as any man can do it. Anr he died trying.

THEY KNOW IT

Quite a few of the people who enlist are well aware that there is a risk involved.

But they run it anyway. They won't say much about it, but in rare candid moments they will admit that they think they are working for us at home, defending our freedom, whatever that may mean.

When the big row was on last fall, and we still were not sure whether the rain of nuclear was coming, I talked to one of those people, who had to fly in the very midst of the terrifying event.

She happened to be an airwoman.

Very simple, she said, "Well, if it comes I would just as soon be up there doing something. It isn't much, I guess, but I like to feel it would at least be something to help."

No they don't hate the Germans. And they don't hate the Russians.

To them their job means being ready to keep the peace or fight with our Allies, against any enemy. It isn't a case of hating someone. It is a job to do, and deep down inside it is a feeling that they want to "do something" to safeguard our freedom.

I, too, talked to them in their messes.

In 10 years of fairly intimate acquaintance with RCAF people from air commodores to plain airmen and airwomen, I have talked with them on all the profound subjects which trouble us all, religion, politics, race relations, Communism, and a host of lesser subjects.

My own feeling is that they are a pretty fine bunch of people.

In some matters they are neither better nor worse than the rest of us.

As for drinking, I do not think that armed forces people are better or worse than other Canadians. I seem to have read somewhere that Canada's per capita liquor consumption is higher than anywhere else in the world.

As for our people who have been abroad, my impression is that they have learned to handle drinking in a somewhat more civilized manner than is customary in our beer parlors.

IN THE MESSES

I, too, was in the messes abroad. I suppose that anywhere one will see some drunkenness among drinkers.

Frankly, the messes are much more like social centres, and games, talking (good talking, too), and singing, dancing, and other quite normal pursuits take up much of the time.

As to that talk about drinking having to do with promotions, that must have caused a hearty laugh around service circles.

I have known a large number of officers over the past decade, and I wish to tell you that as far as I am concerned, they got there on gray matter. If I were running a business, I would not hesitate to put RCAF people on the staff.

As to that stuff about things being classified, Mr. Richler, I came back with well over 200 pictures taken personally, and plenty of material gathered personally. I stood beside a CF-104 and touched it. I stood within 50 feet of hot missiles. Normal security precautions were observed, but any newsman who wanted to work could see all he wanted to.

From the pages of the Trentonian, you can read material which

certainly wasn't a mere handout. I saw, and could ask questions, and top people answered them.

As to the feelings of airmen and their dependents on attack warning and precaution, they are just about like ours, except that for them the proximity of the Iron Curtain, and the existence of live weapons on their own base, makes them aware that it is not a game.

They are about as articulate as some of the rest of us on the complex problems of living. And if they are not filled with hate, is that so bad in a world which is crying out for understanding?

Not men?

No sense of adventure?

Mere boys?

Where have you been all your life?

Don't you know that Air Force people are always a combination of man and boy?

They live with death.

They are, in No. One Air Division, away from everything familiar, and must do their best to live successfully in a foreign environment. I think Mr. Richler, that it might be a damned good thing for all of us if we got out of our little self-analytical, complacent, quarreling Canadian stuffiness, and learned to get a good look at the rest of the world.

Not Men?

Because they like fun, and try to see as much as they can while they are overseas?

THEY WILL MEASURE UP

I said it in print in the Trentonian, and I will say it again, after 10 years of observation:

If the call to duty comes again, these men and women, in our Royal Canadian Air Force, will be there to give all they have, as did those before them.

From what I have seen, despite some retired admirals, generals and wing commanders, so will our Army and Navy people.

What do you want?

Shall we put people in our peacetime armed forces, on its present voluntary basis, making a career of it, and do any less than make their life as secure as possible for the present and future?

I only wish we had done as much for the people who fought in two previous wars. I only wish our veterans had had the same treatment.

We should do the best we can for them.

I hope we go on doing it for 50 years, and never have to use them in war.

Whatever changes in policy our government decrees, these people will obey it.

A SILLY QUESTION

"What if you don't want to go?" you asked.

What in hell would you expect a service man to answer? Anywhere. And Cahan put it right "Buster, you go."

Discount the slang, and Jack hit it on the head.

And no vision for the future?

Sure, some of them re-engage.

What would you do at 40 or 45? Isn't it tough to get jobs at that age, no matter how capable you are?

And if you become used to one job, even if it is RCAF, wouldn't you be likely to stick with it?

But believe me, plenty of them care about the future. I have known many of them who were nearing retirement. And they are full of future plans.

No, Mr. Richler, I think you created an impression resting on a pretty careless piece of journalistic research.

As for me, I would like to see some things corrected too.

But some of us who have known many RCAF people will not share your twisted views.

I am only sorry that the great mass of Canadians who cannot have this personal acquaintance with the people in our armed forces should be subjected to such a piece of misleading propaganda.

As for me, I'm glad they are around, and ready if we ever need them.

Whatever faults they have—I am convinced that in the pinch they will acquit themselves like what they are—MEN.

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HOGGING THE ROCK

KEN STEPHENSEN

Well, it seems that Ron Powell is tied up with exams this week, so yours truly will try to cover the local scene for the past week.

Last Saturday was a big day in the club, Gord Lowry's rink from the Granite met Barry Fry from Strathcona in the Consol playdowns. The first few ends suggested a real duel with Fry scoring singles in the second and third and Lowry keeping it even with singles in the second and fourth. In the fifth Lowry stole a single and, to add to Fry's embarrassment, stole another two in the sixth. The game was still within Fry's reach and the biggest crowd of the season stared at the 5 to 2 score wondering when Fry was going to start playing his usual game. However, I guess it wasn't his day because in the seventh, when Barry went to shoot his last rock, he was looking at five Lowry stones in the house. Still, the four foot was open but Frv, for reasons unknown to this writer or anyone else I've talked to, took an in turn draw away from the backing of the raked house. The shot was unconventional and contrary to normal curling strategy, and Frv, who was heavy, slid through the house, to make the score 10 to 2 in favour of Lowry. The match finally ended 13 to 4 with the Fry rink calling it a day after nine ends.



son 16 Cornford 0, McMillan 9, Bryant 0, MacKeigan 7 Taylor 6, Sharp 6 Bacon 3. In the closest match of the day Hambly beat Cann 7 to 6 on skip rocks with Hambly biting the four foot while Cann was a little light reaching only the twelve. For Laurie it was his third game in a row. Maybe he was tired.

Last Saturday the club hosted four rural rinks from Gladstone, Holland, Graysville and Niverville. After some food and refreshments the teams took to the ice with the RCAF rinks changing their positions every two ends, in other words the lead moved to second and second to third, etc., and strangely enough it worked out pretty well, although the RCAF was on the short end of the victories 3-1. Anyway, everyone enjoyed the day and invitations were extended to the locals to visit the rural clubs on a future date.

Inter club again takes place Sunday at 8.15 with the RCAF rinks visiting Valour Road.

Ladies League . . . Betty Batchelor appears to be leading the pack with seven wins and one loss followed closely by Magura. Unfortunately I haven't had an opportunity to actually view any of the games yet, however I'll make it a point to be sure some of them are covered in the next round.

Today about ten or twelve teams will be leaving for the Gimli Bonspiel so the club should be well represented. Three teams are also heading to Dominion City so lets hope that someone comes back with some prizes.

The playdowns for the representative for the Air Force championships have now started and the lucky winners should be known by the end of the month. Ron can report more on this next week.

Station Hockey Schedule

GAME SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TEAM	REMARKS
Friday	10 Jan.	Winnipeg at Stonewall	Bus 1830
Sunday	12 Jan.	Winnipeg at Gimli	Bus 1130
Friday	17 Jan.	Teulon at Winnipeg	U. of M. Arena
Tuesday	21 Jan.	Winnipeg at Stonewall	Bus 1830
Sunday	26 Jan.	Winnipeg at Beausejour	Bus 1130
Wednesday	29 Jan.	Gimli at Winnipeg	Location TBA
Thursday	30 Jan.	All-Stars at Beausejour	
Friday	31 Jan.	Riverton at Winnipeg	U. of M. Arena
Friday	7 Feb.	Arborg at Winnipeg	U. of M. Arena
Friday	14 Feb.	Winnipeg at Riverton	Bus 1730
Sunday	16 Feb.	Winnipeg at Teulon	Bus 1130
Saturday	22 Feb.	Beausejour at Winnipeg	U. of M. Arena
Tuesday	25 Feb.	Arborg at Winnipeg	Location TBA
Friday	28 Feb.	Stonewall at Winnipeg	U. of M. Arena
Sunday	1 Mar.	Winnipeg at Teulon	Bus 1130

Game Times: Week days 2030, Sundays 1400.
TC Playdowns: Winnipeg vs. Gimli week of 9 February.
TC Finals: East vs. West, 14-15 March.

MINOR HOCKEY

CPL. M. D. SMITH

Sports Director, Community Council

A brief rundown of action in the GWMHA.

Bantam "B"—Although on the losing end of a thirteen to nothing score the locals never looked better. For sheer determination they were the best on the ice. An excellent team effort. Well done, fellows.

Playground "A"—A three to two defeat at the hands of Sturgeon Creek. The line of Baldwin-Masson-Sims was the bright spot of the game as they accounted for all the scoring.

Playground "B"—Hats off to the "B" Flyers who came out on top of a five to four score over Border C.C. for their first win of the campaign. Once more a fine team effort paid off. Keep it up boys.

Playground "C"—A fine game until the final period when Roblin Park came on strong to defeat the locals eight to one.

HOUSE LEAGUE

Once more below zero temperatures descended but could not keep the young fellows from the rink. The boys are improving with every outing. After the weekend's action the scores were:

Atom Division						
Team	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Rockets 4, Shamrocks 2.						
Ramblers 1, Bulldogs 0.						
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Starfighters 3, Jets 2.						
Voodoos 3, Sharks 0.						
The standing as of 12 Jan., '64:						
Atoms						
Rockets	4	0	0	29	8	8
Shamrocks	2	2	0	14	10	4
Ramblers	1	2	1	5	19	3
Bulldogs	0	3	1	1	12	1
Pee Wee						
Voodoos	3	0	1	26	5	7
Starfighters	3	1	0	12	14	6
Sharks	1	2	1	9	8	3
Jets	0	4	0	2	22	0
Raiders } Have played none						
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WINNIPEG BUFFALOES

By SLAPSHOT

This past week was another busy one for the Buffaloes. They played two league games and a practice game against the Voodoos of the Inter-Service League. The first of the two league games was played Friday in Stonewall and the Buffaloes came out on top—8 goals to 5. The second game was played on Sunday in Gimli with the Buffs going down 8-6.

The Buffaloes got off to a quick start in Stonewall by scoring at the two minute mark. Jean Paul Guy scored the next two Winnipeg goals. Stonewall got their first goal at the 15 minute mark and Jim Wright, playing his first game, finished off the first period by scoring his second goal. Guy started off the second period by scoring his third goal of the game and Stonewall then came back with three quick goals, leaving the Buffs with a slim one-goal lead at the end of the second period. In the third period Dan Stefano, Fergy Ferguson and Terry O'Rielly got one goal each while Stonewall could only muster one as Pete Kennedy came up with some brilliant saves. Final score was 8-5 for the Buffaloes.

The game in Gimli on Sunday was a different story. Gimli got the first marker at 1.01. The Buffs came right back with Murray Greenberg rapping one home three minutes later. Then Gimli scored three in a row and Fergy Ferguson scored in the final minute of the first period to make the score 4 to 2 in Gimli's favour. The Buffs fought back in the second period with Murray Greenberg getting his second goal and Jean Paul Guy his first. In the third period Winnipeg was outscored four goals to two. Guy scored the last two Buff goals to make his third hat trick in as many games. With Gimli leading 8 to 6 and about three minutes left, Winnipeg was awarded a penalty shot. Guy tried the shot and Gimli goalie Leroy MacIntosh came up with a tremendous save by kicking out a puck that was labelled for the lower right hand corner. The game ended 8 to 6 in Gimli's favour.

The Buffaloes' next game is to be played at the University of Manitoba rink Friday, Jan. 17, against Teulon. Come on out and support your Station team. Game time 8:30 p.m.

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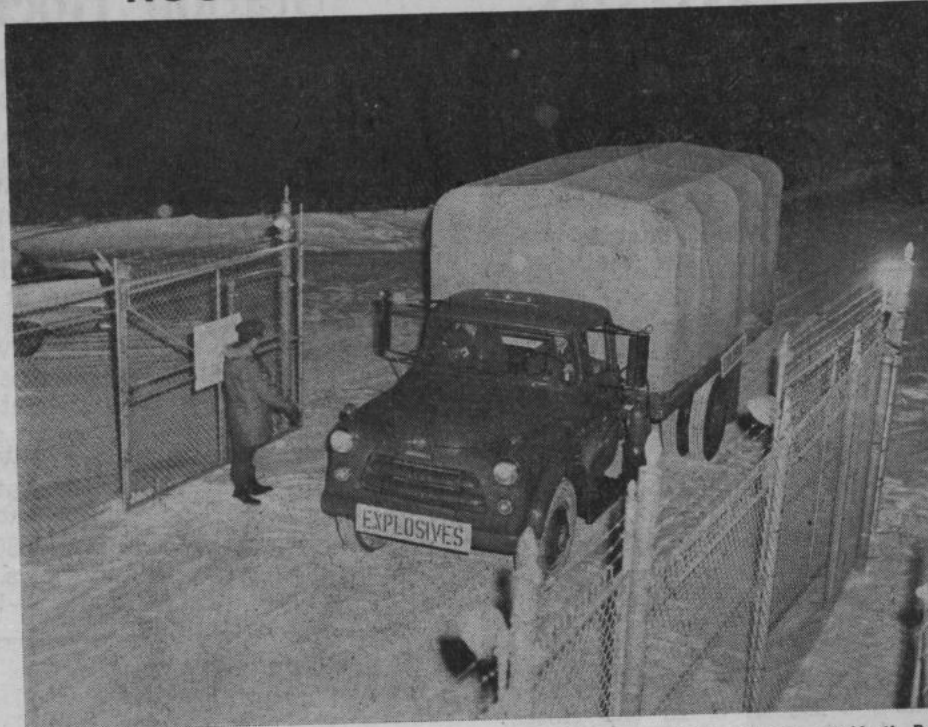
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SHARK SWIM CLUB NEWS

The Swim Club schedule has been a busy one, and will get much busier now, with two swim meets a month, leading up to the Mani-

NUCLEAR WARHEADS ARRIVE



One of three trucks delivers nuclear warheads to RCAF Bomarc missile squadron at North Bay, Ont., at 11 p.m. December 31. Under police escort, the nuclear warheads were trucked eight miles from RCAF Station North Bay to number 446 Bomarc surface-to-air missile squadron. A USAF aircraft had airlifted the warheads to the air force base from the United States the same evening. Sufficient nuclear warheads were delivered to equip the 28 Bomarc air defence missiles at North Bay. The only other RCAF Bomarc squadron, 447 at La Macaza, P.Q., is slated to receive nuclear warheads in the future, under terms of the Canadian-U.S. government agreement signed August 16, 1963.

toba finals to be held in March. On December 28th, the St. James YMCA held their annual relay events. The Shark Club was represented in the various age group relays and did very well. On Saturday, January 11th, the Shark swimmers were entered in the YWCA-sponsored swim meet at the Sherbrook Pool. There were seven teams entered, which made a very strong competitive meet. Both the

boys and girls from the RCAF Shark Swim Club put forth an excellent effort. Alvin Scott, a veteran from last year, placed third in the boys' 15 and 16-year-old 100-yard freestyle event. Mike McClean was entered in the gruelling 200-yard back stroke event, and although not placing, did extremely well.

The Club is now down to serious training for the forthcoming swim meets. However, swimmers are welcome who are interested in joining the Club, to attend prac-

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Saturdays — 1800 - 1900 hours.

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