MONTREAL (CP) - They still call it Nuns' Idand, although the nuns have left. Its reel name is The St. Paul

For more than 250 years, the sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame have twed quietly on their in the St Lawrence river less than 1,000 yards from the shores of Verdun, a city on Mon-

they have gone. They boarded a ferry one bright day last nummer and departed. Their place will be taken by a real estate firm that plans to develop the island into a \$100.000.000 housing scheme. will be the "most beautiful residential community in

Canada" The nums have bought a 21-erre farm of Ste Dorother, a few miles west where they will carry on their work of caring for ill, aged and resting mune.

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Bohmd, they leave a comarkable history. Each spring, they fared flooding when he jammed on the St. Lawrence river. They made a they could rate it and the live- ROCKWOOD

stock above the flood waters. northshore, the nuns have been isolated for days by the ice break-up. Once, a plane dropped breed because their supplies were

cut aff. The island's recorded history treal itself, founded 22 years before. He St. Paul was granted by a royal equacilier in France to three early residents of French Canada for their services to Louis XIV.

The sisters bought their first holdings in 1706 and gradually bought more, until 1769, they owned the entire island. Total cost is said to have been about \$1,000. It is reported they sold it for

A bridge is planned for Verdun to Nuns' Island, and then across the rever to the south shore. Preluninary work has already started.

Electric Railway Finally Cuts Off Passenger Trains

London, Ont. (CP)-The late Si Adam Beck, "father" of the Ontario hydro system, might have shed a tear if he had seen what the modern age has done to the London and Port Stanley Railway.

Bowing to the automobile and struction with canal work. mounting losses, the city-owned 25mile electric road has discontinued passenger service after a century of operation. From now it will nurse its lucrative freight traffic - with coal and oil hauled from Port Stantry, and with transfer-shipments from United States steam roads reaching St. Thomas. And it will be all diesel power, which Sir Adam probably wouldn't like

One of the last surviving publicowned electric railways on the continent, the LPS in recent years had been the merca for railroad fan clubs on both sides of the border which arranged excursions for sentimental and historic reasons

It was Sir Adam Beck, with burning hometown pride, who pro moted electrification of the line back in 1915. Ontario Hydro Com missioner at the time as well as Conservative member of the legis lature for London, he visioned St Thomas a major railway hub with electric feeders running to other

The St. Thomas "hub" tolled death knell to LPC passenger train some months ago when LPS commissioners balked at spending \$40,-000 for a cycle changeover. The final issue came before London rateed against spending \$400,000 to call. -modernize passenger equipment.

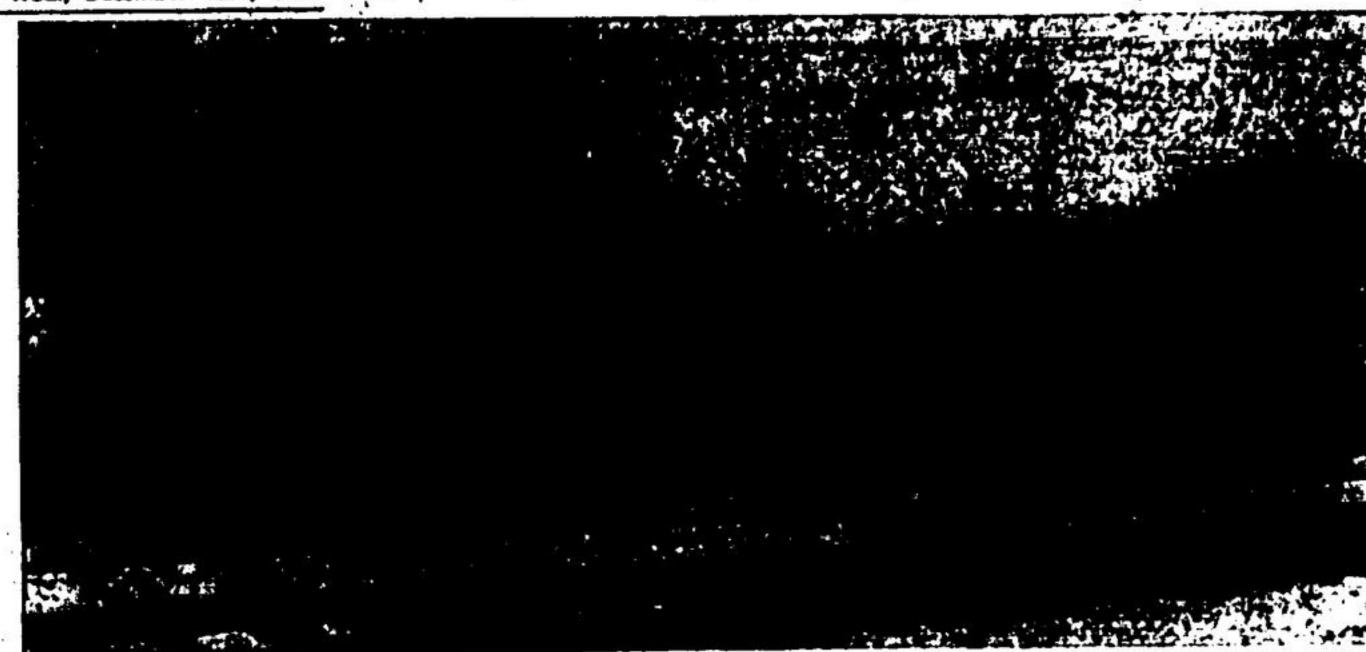
Highway buses will take care of commuter, transient and picnic mer J. E. Keough property on Main travel to St. Thomas and Lake Eric St resort areas

Slow death for the passenger service started with the end of wartime gasoline rationing. On a warm Sunday in August, 1945, motor traffic tween here and Port Stanley, while rallway sales were only a trickle. On a warm July Sunday two years people were present at the sale. before that the LPS carried 12,000 persons to the lakeside.

Crown Champions In Badminton Circles

The junior-Badminton clubs held their singles championships at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday morning and crowned Tony Leighton, champion in the boys beginners class, Carole Bradley, junior girl's champion and John Trip, Junior Boys champion. In the girls semi finals, Elaine Bradley, defeated Gail Rossell, 3-2. and Carole Bradley defeated Carol Eisen, 5-0. In the finals Carol and Etaine Bradley clashed with Carol

being crowned champion with a In the beginners class for boys, Tony Leighton defeated Bert Tripp in the finals, 11-8 to become th new found champion.



into the new H. K. Porter property on the former J. J. Stewart expected to begin in the early spring. Surveyors have staked property, earthmovers and bulldozers are working frantically out the property and the service road from McDonald Boulein order to complete levelling. Construction on the new in- vard has been completed.

Church Christmas entertainment

are slated for this week.

Forums to Discuss

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United Church Men's Club Hold Annual Christmas Meeting

The Men's Club of the United Palmeraton spent the weekend with Church held their monthly meeting | Dr. and Mrs. Waller. Wednesday in the Sunday School

Gordon Ostrander, president, opened the meeting with a Christmas hymn, and George Day at the piano. Rev. Mr. Moore led in pray-

Mr. Alvin Root read the minutes of the November meeting.

Following a few preliminary remarks by Gordon Ostrander, Murray Taylor gave his public school speaking address which was given from Tom Edmonton, George at Fergus in the Fall.

Accompanied by his mother at Johnson from Halifax discussed the plane, Murray contributed two selections on his violin, followed by a Christmas number, "Hark The Herald Angels Sing".

An interesting feature of the meeting was the showing of three films, the first one a sound film dealing with the St Lawrence Seaway, elso showing some carly navigators meeting with Indiana.

A good part of the film dealt with considerable work in connection with preparation for deep water navigation, as well as con Robert Finherty was driving, with

his wife and their infant grandson A second film dealt with Richer Of The Earth, and another on hoc-The car struck a hydro pole. His key showing some fast work on

Lunch was served and a social time enjoyed by all. On Wednesday evening, the Twi-

light Group of the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church held an open meeting with the senior W.M.S. being present. A brief program was held with

duet by Mrs. J Freeman and Mrs. D. McNabb with Mrs. Gordon Swanston at the piano,

Mrs. Roy Young contributed Christmas Story Mrs. Lorne Guild was guest spraker. Kollowing the programme all ad

journed to the basement where refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed. Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Dave Armstrong and Mrs. Gordon Harris

in company with their music pupils went to Toronto by chartered bus to attend a Christmas pageant to Holy Trinity Church. Sunday morning, Rev Eric Lar-

sen of Drayton was present as a candidate in preaching for a call for Rockwood and Eden Mills congregations. A meeting is called for payers in December when they vot- Monday evening to consider the

A change has taken place in the village in connection with the for-

Mrs. J. A. Little has sold the house with the Variety to Miss 'earl Hamilton , who has already Saturday afternoon, Mr. Roy ran almost bumper to bumper be- Hindley conducted an auction sale

of household effects which was disposed of. A large number of Miss Victoria Waller, nurse-intraining Montreal, is home for a

heliday with her parents, Dr. and Mrs K. B. Waller. Mr and Mrs. George Waller of



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Christmas Concert Held in Stone School

The Christmas concert was beld at Stone School on Friday evening. Following the singing of Canada" which opened the program the school choir sang "Hark the for the best decorated gift. Herald Angels sing" and "Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly", and the children spelled out the word Scott, Mrs. D. Lindsay and Mrs. "Welcome".

A pleasing action song by the juniors "The Windmill Song" was given followed by a solo by Ricky Junior Hi-Y Girls Corbett "Where did my Snowman

ilies and what services will they A nursery rhyme play was presented with Linds Bexter and the fairy, taking the main parts. The juniors then sang "Rudolph. the red-nosed Reindeer"

with young farmers and their While Shepherds watched their flocks" was sung by the chour. Oth-After reading the Farm Forum Guide and listening to the broader numbers on the program included a recitation by Stephen cast, many neighborhood groups Reynolds, a square dance by six ity" and reported their findings to couples and a solo by Paul Kidney There'll always be a Christmas" local papers and to the nation The program concluded with a

play "Ibat Christmas Ever" given by the seniors. Santa's entry was greeted with a song and gifts were presented to the children by a Santa Claus that looked suspiciously like someone

Eighteen members of Silver-Wood WI attended a happy wife and baby were taken to hosp- Christmas party held at the home ital for treatment, while Flaherty of Mrs Thos. Appleyard on Thursday December 12th.

Roll Call was answered by "What I would like for Christmas," and the motto, "Anyone who thinks by the inch, and talks by the yard. should be moved by the foot" was

given by Mrs. R. C. Lindsay. A layette was given to Mr. between Caribou, N.S., and Wood Thompson of the Children's Aid, and it was voted to send them \$10.

the evening, arranged a contest on the names of trees, Mrs. E. Miller and Mrs. Russell Miller tying for

A hilarious hat making contest followed which was won by Mrs. George Burt.

A gift exchange followed, Mrs. Bert Corbett winning the award A delicious lunch ended the evening, Mrs. Clare Wilson, Mrs. H.

George Sivill assisting the hostess

Visit Guelph Club

The Three Star Junior Hi-Y Rick Corbett, and Eva Lindaver as Boys triple "C" Junior Hi-Y Club at the Guelph Y.M.C.A., on Friday December 13th.

The Acton girls were entertained with a program of games and dancing, after which lunch was

M: and Mrs C Kirkness and Mr. and Mrs. W. Walkins provided transportation and acted as chaperones for the evening.

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Sunday afternoon. The annual Christmas party for cluding an individual gift to the the children of the church was children. staged in the sucal theatre where all enjoyed cartoons and films shown on the screen.

During an intermission in the showing of films, Helen and Bern.e Benton entertained with a duet and Helen sang a solo. Jue Secieta played two selections on the accordion and John McHugh favored

who called out the names, handed Mr. Poole recovered in fuspital

ZELMA, Sask (CP) North Praide brought a gow and was lead-

Jolly Old St. Nick handed out special gifts of rattles to 13 bab.es and over 150 bags of candier in- He's measured not by tithes of

E Marks, chairman of the program committee, was assisted by the Catholic Women's League, Alice ecked the bogs and asset in toris distributions

The exciting moment 4: .ved for ing it to a barn on his farm brien . the children when Santa made has the mismal turned on him kneak. appearance to greet the youngsters ing him down and trampling him and with the assistance of Ed Ryan A neighbor drive off the cow and for many to bage the tree .

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