

Chatting

With
M.H.B.

TAKING ONE last look over the Christmas cards before putting them away we kept an eagle eye out for any that were a little more original than others in their way of extending the Season's Greetings (nice to receive in any form, tho, aren't they?) Usually there are quite a few which stand out from the others from the standpoint of originality, but this year there were just four we'd like to tell you about.

MR. AND MRS. H. E. Harkin of Wildwood, sent a completely hand-made card, this year — in bright red paper, with a picture of a loom on it, made even more realistic by the piece of weaving at work on the loom on which a little green Christmas tree had been woven. Then Miss Dorothy Stone sent not one, but a pair of cards — both photographic studies — one of her house in summer with the flowers all a-bloom, and the other a picture of two beautiful and very contented-looking cats sprawled facing each other atop a radiator. The Cecil Davidsons nearly always have a lovely camera study on their card, due no doubt to Cec's hobby of photography. This year he has caught a shimmering light striking a small stream in a meadow near Milton. The trees and cloud formations all combine to make it a real little work of art.

AND LAST but not least, we class it in with the Christmas cards because Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year for us and our readers were warmly sent along with it. But it is much more than a card. It is, in fact, a beautifully printed little booklet about Oslo, very kindly sent to us from Norway by Miss Christine Malon Mrs. Malon is Mrs. Trygve Wold's sister, whom we met while she visited here with her sister and brother-in-law last summer.

The booklet is chock full of the most beautiful pictures of Oslo, covering almost every phase of its activity, with commentaries accompanying and explaining each, in both English and Norwegian. We think you might be just as interested as we were in learning something of Oslo.

Oslo is, most famous perhaps for its beautiful situation at the head of the Oslo fjord, and is, as you know, the capital city of Norway, founded about 1050. We noticed in the pictures that as in all cities, the very latest in streamlined modern buildings may be seen side by side with the older more elaborate structures — all adding to the picturesque charm of the place. The picture of the colourful open-air market looks intriguing, as do the playgrounds for the children. Many of the pictures bring out the beauty of the fjord, both in its moods of commerce, and of relaxation. Needless to say the excellent bathing facilities of the fjord are well used and sailing and boating of all kinds are favourite sports.

THERE IS A SPLENDID university in Oslo, and many museums. In one of these museums they have carefully preserved a Viking ship, which looks exactly like the picture we remember seeing in our history book. There is also a picture of a little church which fascinated us. If we had not known we were looking at a booklet about Norway, we would have sworn it was a picture of a Japanese pagoda at first glance. That was because of the series of turreted rooftops, no less than six, starting large at the bottom, and ending up with a tiny one at the top. But the church is of a much more substantial structure than a pagoda, being built of exceedingly sturdy timbers. We imagine the church is very old, and is called the Gold Stave Church, Folkemuseet. There are pictures dealing with their art, sculpture and music and national holiday celebrations — all of them interesting. This little booklet is the next best thing to taking a holiday in Oslo. If any of you would like to borrow it and see for yourself the many items space will not permit us to include here, we would be pleased to lend it. And again we say "thank you" to Mr. and Mrs. Malon, with our best wishes for their happiness in the New Year.

TALKED TO A newcomer to town, Mrs. D. J. Shanklin, on Saturday. Her husband commutes to Toronto every day to his real estate business, and they were feeling very fortunate to be living in Georgetown, where they are not bothered with such things as a TTC strike. Also Mrs. Shanklin mentioned that when living in Toronto, it took her a good hour to get "down town" and she can drive it in that from here. Mr. and Mrs. Shanklin have bought Mr. and Mrs. Bert McMenemy's brick house on Eight Street, and they and their three daughters, Donna, 9, Paula, 7, and Brenda, 2, moved here from the city the first of December.

SEEMS TO BE a general shuttling back and forth of citizens between Georgetown and Toronto these days. For every

family or two we have move out here, one or two move into the city. The Ralph Murlins and the Jack Stevens, both men employed by E. F. Murfin who has moved his business to the city, have moved to Toronto in order to be nearer their work.

THE APARTMENT in Mr. and Mrs. W. Logan's house on Queen Street, vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith when they moved to Toronto, is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Archie Campbell. Mrs. Campbell is the former Rose Marie Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" James have purchased the former Walter Menham home on Guelph Street. The James' had been living on Normandy Boulevard.

Constable Murray Robinson has received his first posting with the Provincial Police, to Belleville, so he and his wife and two children will be moving there shortly. They have been living in the house owned by Mrs. B. Saunders, on Durham Street.

HALLINATED

CHOOSE OFFICERS AT ANNUAL S.S. MEETING

The local hockey team defeated Cedar Valley Friday night, the score being 5-2.

The annual meeting of the Sunday School executive met Friday evening at the manse. Plans were made to hold a promotion service next Sunday morning. The following officers and teachers were elected:

Superintendent—Mr. R. Warne
Literature Secretary—Muriel Hiltz
Sec'y. of Missions—Miss B. Hiltz
Temperance Sec'y.—Mrs. James Kirkwood

Pianist—Janice Baker
Assist. Pianist—Ruth Marshall
Teachers:
Senior Class—B. Hiltz
Intermediate Girls—Jean Sinclair
Intermediate Boys—Dorothy Warne

Juniors—Mrs. J. Kirkwood
Senior Primary—Mrs. K. Cotton
Primary—Mrs. Warne

It was decided to have temperance and missionary talks once a month. Mrs. Gibb served a refreshing cup of tea at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. W. McKay, Jessie and Archie of Toronto were Sunday visitors with the Alex McKays.

CO-OP TURNOVER HAS BIG 1951 INCREASE

Now that Georgetown has a branch of the United Cooperatives of Ontario, there will be interest locally in the annual meeting of the organization which was held last month in Toronto.

That U.C.O. is no small business is shown in the annual report of over \$50,000,000 turnover, an increase of ten million dollars in the year. Georgetown, which is a branch of Milton District Co-op, is one of 156 local co-operatives in Ontario. The Milton Co-op took over the Georgetown Feed Mill this year, buying out the previous owner, Dal Malby.

At the meeting, a warning was sounded by general manager Hugh Bailey that the co-ops are faced with the same problems as other businesses today, financing accounts receivable which could spell bankruptcy should there be a business recession. He urged that accounts be collected and business be done in future on a cash policy.

Karl Park of Milton, who manages the Milton Co-Op was chosen a member of an advisory committee on distribution. A marketing advisory committee was also set up and numbered on the committee is Clara Reith of Seaford, whose wife is the former Gladys Hill of Georgetown.

SILVERWOOD

Garage Operator is Improving from Illness

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Frank Penon, at his home on the seventh line, but are glad to hear of him improving again.

Holiday visitors at Skoie included Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Corbett and David; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Corbett, Ricky and Terence, also Mr. and Mrs. Richard Corbett, all of Toronto.

Mr. E. S. Case spent Christmas with his brother, Dr. George Case of Newmarket and visited his sister at Clinton for the New Year.

Mr. Frank Miller of London visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Miller and Mrs. W. J. Roe.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bell were Mrs. John Verschoote and children, and Mrs. H. T. Jolley of Montreal, also Mr. and Mrs. Norman Long of Lunenburg. Misses Rowena and Wilma Stull were Sunday guests of Miss Grace Gray Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. William Norton spent Christmas with friends at Streetsville.

STEWARTTOWN

All Officers Returned By St. John's Guild

Happy birthday to Kenneth Hodge who will be 6 years old next Monday, January 14th.

Mrs. Lawson spent New Year's Day with his daughter at Norval.

School opened here Thursday morning with our teacher, Miss Frank in charge.

We are still getting a few inches of snow about every other day. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Sanford and Bill spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. Sanford.

St. John's Guild held their annual meeting Thursday January 3rd at Mrs. Joe Standish's home. All officers were returned by acclamation. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Herrington's home Tuesday evening, January 15th.

More Fowl, Ham Winners In Lucky Strike Contest

Four more lucky bowlers took home fowl and hams when they won hidden score prizes during last week's open bowling at the Lucky Strike.

Winners of turkeys were Bernice Cain with a 223 score and Benny Lorrman 240. Prizes of hams were awarded to Helen Chaplin, 155 and Hugh Dickie, 184.

Last week it was reported that Mrs. Cyril Brandford had won a goose as a ladies prize in a bowl-off with Kay Bludd. The report was in error and Mrs. Bludd was the winner.

The Lucky Strike is inaugurating a series of weekly hidden score prizes this year which will be given for open bowling. Each week a secret number will be chosen for men and ladies, and a prize for each awarded at the end of the week.

It's the extra that Counts!



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DOMINION CURLING CHAMPIONS (1946-51)

- 1946 SEBENWICK, ALTA.
- 1947 WINNING, MAN.
- 1948 TRAIL, B.C.
- 1949 WINNIPEG, MAN.
- 1950 KIRKLAND LAKE, ONT.
- 1951 KENTVILLE, N.S.

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INSTEAD OF WELDING, T JOINT WITH TWO ELBOWS MAY BE USED.



Tom Gard's Note Book

When tools are stored indoors for winter, the gardener and the craftsman are reminded that a stitch in time still saves time, and that a little care will prolong the life of equipment. Tools should be thoroughly cleaned, the metal rubbed down with steel wool and then given a rub with an oily rag to prevent rust. Then the handles might be given a coat of fresh paint — and they're all ready when spring appears.

THE WINTER DOORWAY

I always feel a doorway should convey the impression of welcome. This can easily be brought about by placing evergreens in

tube and locating them on either side of the entrance. But why not carry the idea a step farther and plant small spruce or cedar in the window box. Even sprays of cedar firmly embedded in the soil will serve the purpose on the winter as well.

AN AID TO CARVING

A few nights ago a friend was telling me of his difficulty in learning to carve, when up spoke another friend and told him how to make an aid to carving from old forks and the drawer-pull from a dresser. This unique idea is worth passing on to our readers. The young war veteran decided then and there he would carry out the idea.

LAWN SWING

Last summer when in the Georgian Bay district I came across an attractive piece of lawn furniture, made of iron pipes and some canvas found in the boat-house. To brighten up the canvas the chap had painted in the pattern with red and green paint left over after he had painted his boats. The joints were all welded for strength, and it was noticed the kiddies could take a running jump into the swing without danger.

AROUND THE HOME

WINTER WINDOW GARDEN

FOR DWELLERS IN APARTMENTS OR SINGLE ROOMS. FEW SMALL CEDARS LIFTED WITH ROOTS UNDISTURBED, AND WELL COVERED WITH SOIL. OR TRY SPRAYS OF CEDAR EMBEDDED IN THE SOIL — OF VARIOUS HEIGHTS, PLACED CLOSE TOGETHER FOR HEAVY EFFECT.



The WINTER DOORWAY can be cheerful



HALF AN APPLE BARREL OLD WOODEN PAIL OF A KEG, WILL PROVE SUITABLE FOR A SMALL EVERGREEN TAKEN FROM THE ROADSIDE.

HOLD THAT TURKEY!



TWO TUBS OR WOODEN PAILS AND A PAIR OF EVERGREENS SUCH AS CEDAR OR SPRUCE.

DRAWER PULL WITH RING HELD UPRIGHT BY SPOT WELDING. 2 OR 3 TINES FROM OLD CARVING FORK WELDED ON BACK.

You'll find many other interesting and helpful suggestions like these in the booklet "Around the Home Again". Write for your copy to Tom Gard, c/o MOLSON'S (ONTARIO) LIMITED, P. O. Box 490, Adelaide St. Station, Toronto.