

Brampton Dutch Children At Sinterklaas Festivity

The wide-eyed look of wonder and excitement on the faces of children as they look at Santa Claus is the same, whether they are Canadian or Dutch, and no matter which day they celebrate.

At Brampton's Christian Reformed Church, over 120 small Dutch children gathered to see Santa Claus on the eve of his arrival, according to their custom.

Unlike the Canadian Christmas parties, where Santa Claus arrives as the climax of the evening on Friday evening, the merry gentlemen, and his assistant, Black Peter, entered the hall at the beginning of the party, and joined in the celebration.

According to the Dutch legend, Santa Claus and his helper, Black Peter, live in Spain, and visit the homes to distribute gifts on the eve of Dec. 5, which is Santa Claus's birthday.

Santa Claus and Christmas have no connection in Holland, as they have here. The children receive their rewards, either bad or good on Dec. 5, and Dec. 25, Christmas, is observed strictly as a religious celebration. The decorated Christmas tree is used for Christmas, not Santa Claus day. Rather than having gifts left under the tree, they are put in and around the children's shoes, which are left by the chimney in hopes.

Black Peter, Santa's helper, is supposed to keep an eye on the children's behaviour, and report whether they deserve gifts, or the switch, which he carries. He carries the bag of gifts for Santa Claus, and legend has it that if a boy has been bad, Black Peter will put him in the bag, and take him away. There was no jingle of sleigh bells in the distance as Santa and his helper arrived, on Friday night. They travel on horseback. Santa on a white horse, and Black Peter on a black one.

Although the color scheme of the Canadian and Dutch Santas' costumes are both red and white, there the resemblance ends. North American children visualize him as being a big fat jolly man, bundled up in a heavy suit and boots, arriving from the North Pole. The Dutch Santa wore a floor-length white gown with rows of embroidery at the hem and wrists. The gown was belted with a red sash, and he wore a full-length red velvet cape. Set in a stately manner above his long white beard and hair, was a red mitre headdress, with a large gold cross on the front, and in his hand he carried a tall gold crook like the shepherds used.

Black Peter looked a little like a court jester. His face was black, and he wore golden earrings. His skull cap was of red and black stripes, which matched his short trousers. His white blouse, with embroidery at the wrists and neck, was topped with a black bolero, and he wore long black stockings and red slippers on his feet. In his hand he carried the switch.

Gold and Silver and Foil Make up Season's Cards

The beauty of the Yuletide, the true meaning of the season, and the mirth of the holiday are reflected in 1959's brilliant new Christmas cards.

A wide selection of greetings, ranging from deeply-colored Nativity scenes to brilliant gold and silver trimmings, and even to whimsical cartoons and cut-outs for children are featured for holiday sending.

Some cards gently josh Santa Claus, but most convey a day greetings or reminders of Christ's birthday.

Gold and silver colors and foils abound to give cards a precious, glittering appearance this year. The colors combine brilliantly and fashionably in snow scenes and provide backgrounds for such religious themes as a beckoning cathedral door.

Provincial Mill and the Silver Seven accomplished the sweeps to boast their total to 69 and 65. They're followed by Silvers with 61, Legion No. 1 58, Anderson 55, Smith and Stone 54, Glen A 46, Kentner 46, Glen B 40, Legion No. 2 32, Ramblers 19 and Cottons trail with just 4.

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Brampton Awards Nite Honours Jr. Farmers

Peel County's young agriculturists, members of 13 4-H clubs in the county were honored at the sixth annual awards night held at the Junior Farmers Building.

In outlining the expansion of the county's 4-H program Jim McCullough, agricultural representative for the county of Peel, traced the clubs' history since 1951.

"This year 122 members tackled 207 projects with a 97 per cent completion record," he said.

Tractor, calf, forestry, swine, grain and forage clubs, completed the list of activity for 4-H members. Five clubs operated from Brampton, four from the Caledonia area, three from Bolton and one Peel County club, brought the total to 13.

Grants from Dominion and Provincial governments as well as the Peel Agriculture Society assisted in providing cash awards for members.

Trophies were presented by the Kiwanis club of West Toronto to the top members of each club. Scholarships were awarded to one member of each club to attend four-day winter courses at OAC.

Bill Clarkson, Marilyn Clarkson, Dave Julian, Alex McKinney, Ray Hillcock, James McKane, Clarence Pinkney, Andrew McClelland, Ron MacEachern, Allan McMaster, Evelyn MacTaggart, Wm. MacTaggart and Bruce MacTaggart received trophies.

Winners of West Toronto Kiwanis club scholarships were Ross Kingdon, Ian McEachern, Dorothy Von Zuben, Ray Hillcock, William Hutton, Jim Torrance, Andrew McClelland, Norma McMaster, George Longstreet, Murray Peters, Barry Peters and Charles Peters.

Murray Mellow, selected as Peel County's top 4-H member, was awarded the Alton Junior Farmers Trophy. Each province selects 14 members to represent their province during National 4-H club week. Brampton's Joe Racine was chairman of this year's Nation 4-H Club Week. Highlighting the Dominion-wide representatives to the Royal Winter Fair.

Three 4-H club members, Alex McKinney, Bill MacTaggart and Al McMaster received

Gold Certificates of Merit for Completing 18 Projects or Better

for the second consecutive year. Club presidents were high in their praise of Jim McCullough, his assistant Doug Jackson, and their voluntary leaders, who were responsible for the outstanding program conducted during 1959.

Oddfellows, Wives at Xmas Dinner-Dance

Georgetown Revolver Club members had nothing but praise for cohort Ron Warnock last Wednesday night.

With the rest of the membership looking on Warnock executed the equivalent of running a four minute mile, carding a hole-in-one breaking the sound barrier and hitting a grand

slam home run, in the eyes of revolver enthusiasts.

He posted a perfect 100 score, a feat never before accomplished here and worthy of plaudits on any range. He registered the score during a weekly shoot-off competition at the Limehouse Clubhouse.

Twelve chickens were taken away by club marksmen in a chicken shoot later the same night. Getting the birds were: Norm Mahé, Al Zeravian, Ron Warnock, Ron Challenger, (2), Bud Kentner (2), Alf Long, Reg Hoare, Roland Awrey, J. Heslop and D. Swackhammer.

Puppet Show Entertains Papermill Christmas Party

Two hundred and forty children enjoyed a pre-Christmas visit from jolly old you-know-who Sunday afternoon at the annual Provincial Mill small-typer Christmas party in the Legion Hall.

A puppet show staged by Peggy Beirnes entertained the happy horde through the afternoon until St. Nick dropped in with gifts for all.

In a lucky draw made by Steve Emmerson turkeys were won by Harry Shortill, H. Klooster, George McArthur, Ray McCartney and Bill Hewitt Jr and chickens went to Gloria Bain, Jack Inglis, Rene Gadd, Art Middleton, H. Brown, G. Campbell, E. Peters, P. Poulson, E. Tost, C. Quanbury, George McArthur, Jennie McDougall, Don Herrington, Pat Norton and K. B. Weston.

The canteen committee in charge of the party comprised Steve Emmerson, Rene Gadd, Bus Hale, Trevor Williams, Ivan Crabtree and Ross Duncan.

Two Top Teams Increase Industrial Bowling Lead

The two top teams flexed their muscles and took seven points apiece as industrial league bowling standings remained unchanged this week.

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Wives Prepare Turkey Dinner for Firemen

The ladies of the Firemen's L.A. catered to the brigade members Saturday December 12th at the annual turkey supper in the firehall.

Thirty eight sat down for the supper during which a presentation was made by Mrs. Irv Lewis on behalf of the L.A. to the department.

Eucbre and darts rounded out the evening and the winners were: in euchre, men's 1st Irv Lewis, ladies first Mrs. Bill Hyde and consolation Mrs. Dave Williams, and in darts, Dave Williams and Jim Valantine.

Foreign Lands

Animated greetings include a "walking doll" that trundles merrily across floor or table under power of an elastic band "motor". Also motorized elastic band is a clown named "Bobo" who flips and spins on a swing.

Among the most beautiful of cards for 1959 is a series of the Christ Child in the manger. The cards, printed in Italy, are deeply accentuated with gold to afford the clear new designs a high degree of elegance. An unusual reproduction process also adds depth and dimension to scenes of the Babe in the manger, the Three Wise Men, and angels.

The significance of Christmas is interpreted with carefully matched reverence and beauty in other cards redesigned in smart styling without losing the true spirit of the holiday. Richard Stevens, New England artist, created four paintings of rural churches in snow-blanketed areas.

Father Keller, in a Yuletide message for Hallmark, declares: "If we can change from the materialistic to the spiritual viewpoint, our lives, as well as the lives of others, will be blessed this Christmastide, not with fleeting and surface pleasures, but with pure and abiding joys of lasting happiness."

Humor

Wholesome holiday humor in the light-hearted vein is provided by "contemporary" Christmas cards this year. "I got you a new washer for Christ-

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