



Diary of a Vagabond

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I believe it was the great Norwegian explorer, Amundsen, who once said, "My sincerest wish for the Eskimos is that civilization may never reach them."

In the Eskimo village at Churchill, members of the CNR excursion gained a brief impression of what civilization is doing to these happy people of the snows. Mousing is no longer a problem for them. Instead, of crawling on their bellies into an igloo, they sit in their picture windows in modern, heated cottages provided for them by the Government. They can watch the gales of Hudson Bay beat at the four corners of their neighbours' home in civilized comfort.

Because of the constant level of permafrost in the ground, the buildings are built on stilts and are insulated on all sides, floors, ceilings and walls. There is a community playground for the children, where swings and tether ball amuse the latest miles during brief summer days.

When school convenes they are transported by Army bus to the school within the military services camp.

The Eskimos are cheerful and intelligent. They become skilled labourers with very little training and earn considerable money when employed at the camp.

They are not money conscious, however, and seldom know how to spend or save their earnings. None of the adults we met could speak English. These were the women of the village. Husbands and fathers were all working. The children looked like a garden of wild flowers in their bright coloured modern dresses and jeans. They swarmed around our bus as it came to a halt within the village, hoping we would ask them to pose for snapshots.

We were warned by the Army Captain who escorted our tour, not to give them money. Tourist generosity has ruined some Indians, making them slovenly, lazy and unhappy looking individuals.

Even those Eskimos living within the rim of civilization remain nomadic. They flock into Churchill because of summer employment opportunities. But the population of the Eskimo village, we are told, is always in a state of flux.

Civilization has brought better health to this race of hunters, who have survived the Arctic climate for generations by their wit and skill. High mortality rate among the aged and infirm and infanticide at one time helped control the growth of the Eskimo population. With the advent of the white man, the Government's baby bonus and old age pensions, this has roomed, until adapting to civilized ways is the Eskimo's only hope of survival.

Diminishing whale, polar bear and caribou herds, their natural means of livelihood, have forced these natives into other lines of endeavour than hunting. Their skill as craftsmen has spread throughout the continent and even farther afield. Now their soapstone carvings and, more recently, their prints are being sought by tourists and museums alike.

Weather-bitten old gals, who probably since the Stone Age have, generation after generation, ruled the igloo will continue to chew hides and cure pelts in the smoke of seal oil for their family's apparel. In the younger generation that has taken to jive and cakes like a polar bear to an ice hole. Only when the north wind blows and the sun shines bleakly on icy drifts do they return to the customs of their forebearers. Mukluks and caribou shirts are donned for comfort and their modern sloppy jeans and plaid shirts are discarded until another spring dawns.

Night closed in quickly as our train got underway again

After our day and a half stop over in Churchill, beside the railway's right-of-way a peculiar tree grew in profusion. Along its scraggly branches small red cones, about as big as the end of my little finger, marched bravely against the cold north wind.

When I mentioned how much I wished I could have a branch from the tree, the train was stopped and the CNR inspector, who was aboard gathered a small forest of this species of tamarac. He also brought back to the train several species of moss.

Teachers who were members of the tour lit on this tree like a swarm of locusts. It was not hard to imagine while Eskimo children are learning about fruit belts, industrial areas, forestry projects and waterways of Canada this winter. Their more civilized contemporaries will undoubtedly be taught about the species of vegetation along the timberline that fringe the Arctic.

I could agree with Amundsen if I thought these pills were the north would lose their ability through too much civilization. No, they are individualistic and I believe will remain so, merely adding their unique personalities to the colorful pattern that comprises our community of Canadian citizens.

Vacation Memories Are Renewed With Pictures

Members of the Sunshine Club met at the First Baptist Church on Tuesday evening for their monthly meeting with Mrs. Douglas Peck presiding. The meeting was opened with a hymn followed by the theme and motto.

The roll call, taken by Mrs. Graham Porter, was answered with a household hunt and proved to be quite interesting and amusing. After the business was taken care of, Mrs. R. Buttrey took charge of the program. The devotional, consisting of a scripture, a reading and a poem, was given by Mrs. Don Hancock. With Mrs. Don Livingstone as projectionist, the group showed numerous coloured slides which brought back memories of vacation time. Mrs. Lloyd When closed the meeting in prayer. Lunch was served by the group in charge. Mrs. R. Buttrey, Mrs. D. Livingstone, Mrs. D. Hancock, Mrs. L. When, Mrs. F. Hayward and Mrs. E. Brown.

Instal Officers For Anglican Young People

The Anglican Young People's Association of St. George's Parish held a pot luck supper in the Parish Hall at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday.

The group attended the service of Evening at 6:30 p.m. and viewed the "Singapore Story" which dealt with a true religious experience of the Rt. Reverend J. I. Wilson, who was Bishop of Singapore during World War II. His tormented and joyful ended up being converted to Christianity.

During the service the lessons were read by Ronald Gault and president Karen Norton. The rector installed the officers and the following comprise the Executive for 1960-61: President, Karen Norton, Vice-President, Brenda Bell, Secretary, Pamela Tannahill, Treasurer, Brian Lewis. The social committee is composed of Sharon Swales, Carol Higham, Bert McMann and D. Packer.

Georgetown IGA Staff Attends Sales Convention

The first annual convention of central Ontario Independent Grocers' Alliance (IGA) dealers was held on Monday of last week at the King Edward Sheraton Hotel in Toronto.

Attending from the Georgetown store were Bruce Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Caldwell, Edward Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. D. Wittekoek, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Quackebush, Wilson Altonby, Ed McEue, Mrs. Evelyn Coe, Mrs. Kathleen Gordon, Peter Oshjorn, Wayne Harding and friend, Mrs. Kathleen Rundle and Ross Mitchell, the head office staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Milligan of Bowmanville, former residents of Georgetown, who are now operating an IGA store in that town, were also at the convention.

Prize winners in a lucky draw held at the convention were Wilson Altonby, portable TV, Evelyn Coe, cocktail set, Bob Caldwell, iron, and Mrs. Kathleen Gordon, a small refrigerator.

In addressing the convention, President Roy D. Wolfe of Oshawa Wholesale Ltd. said, "Despite the rumble of fear in the financial communities, the overall health of the retail food industry has never been better."

"It is paradoxical that the state of near panic which appears to have seized editorial writers and economists in the wake of rising unemployment is in complete contrast to both the mood and the strength of the food industry."

"This state of affairs places the food industry in the unique and privileged position of being able to provide leadership both by example and by effort," Mr. Wolfe stated as figures showed an all-time record in food sales. "To the best of my knowledge about 85% of all the products handled by the retail food industry is about \$4 billion worth of sales are grown, produced or manufactured in Canada by Canadians."

Another speaker, Henry King, president of Quaker City Wholesale of Philadelphia had this to say: "Don't look upon the retail food market as the ultimate in food distribution, that there are no new ways of doing things is fatal. The food industry has undergone a revolution in the past 20 years, but it is a revolution that is continuing because it has to meet the needs of a society that encourages change and grocers must recognize this fact," Mr. King said.

Auxiliaries Visit Here For Hallowe'en Party

Last Thursday evening, Mid Street and the Legion Hall looked as if there was an invasion from Mars or something with all the strange looking characters littering around and into the Hall. The occasion was a Hallowe'en party sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Legion when they entertained Auxiliaries from Acton, Oakville, Brantford, Milton, Streetsville, Brampton and Port Credit. Almost one hundred and seventy-five ladies enjoyed the fun-packed evening.

Lucky draw winners were Mrs. Hazel Green, Brampton, a footstool; Mrs. Lily Maybanks, a large poodle dog; Mrs. Ida Harker, two dollars; both of Georgetown; and Mrs. McHugh of Acton, a television set.

It was very difficult to judge the best costumes, there were so many very excellent ones but the final choices were first to two Acton ladies followed by Erin Ladies then Brantford and Milton.

James Emmerson, the president, welcomed the guests on behalf of the Georgetown Branch and she was emcee for the entertainment which took the form of a TV program complete with commercials. This was highly amusing and original. Those taking part were Mrs. Henry Hale, Mrs. Jim Kemm, Mrs. Jack Cuthbert, Mrs. Thomas Greve, Mrs. Carmen Madlart, Mrs. Lloyd Rose, Mrs. Lucille Tweedy, Mrs. Norman McDonald, Mrs. Fred Ho, Mrs. Dave Stamp, Mrs. Ray Robinson, Mrs. Ace Bailey and Mrs. Jack King.

The ladies arranging the program and refreshments were Mrs. Henry Hale, Mrs. G. McDonald, Mrs. Thomas Greve, Mrs. Fred Ho, Mrs. Frank Carter and Mrs. Dave Stamp. Mrs. Mary Morrow was pianist for the evening and presented with a lovely gift. The presidents of the visiting auxiliaries thanked the Georgetown Branch for their hospitality with Mrs. Emmerson replying that they had been pleased to have them and thanked everyone for coming. A salad buffet was served to complete a wonderful evening.

Bridal Attendants Wear Gold, Olive Autumn Shades

Balmfad United Church was the scene of an autumn wedding on Saturday, October 15th when Marjorie Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson, R.R. 1, Glen Williams, became the bride of John David Reid, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gibson, R.R. 1, Acton.

The church was decorated with gold and yellow standards of chrysanthemums and ferns and the double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Andrew McKenzie of Acton, assisted by Mr. Chas. Beaton, Balmfad. Mrs. Bud Anderson, R.R. 2, Acton was the soloist, accompanied by Mrs. John Beak at the organ. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white embroidered net over satin, fashioned on princess lines with long pointed sleeves, the chapel train gathered at the sides and held with bows. The fitted bodice had a round neckline trimmed with sequins and she wore a rhinestone and pearl tiara with shoulder length veil. Her flowers were red roses and stephanotis on a white bible. Mrs. Frank Wilson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor in a street length gown of gold organdy over taffeta with scalloped neckline, cap sleeves and full envelope skirt. She wore hat and mittens to match. Miss Jean Mares, sister of the groom, Miss Mary Lou Carter,



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Mr. Gordon Garner, a member of the Gideon Bible Society was the guest and gave a most enlightening talk describing the different types of Gid Bibles which are distributed. Many are being printed in different languages now and sent to foreign countries. Mr. Garner told of several instances where the word of God, thus placed in hotels and schools, etc. had been the means of soul winning and asked for our prayers and support in this great work.

After a short business period Mrs. Petch and Mrs. Wyatt assisted Mrs. Fleming in serving a delicious cup of tea. Mrs. Wright moved a vote of thanks to all contributing and a social time was enjoyed. The members were pleased to welcome Mrs. Robert MacArthur, a new comer to town, to the group.

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