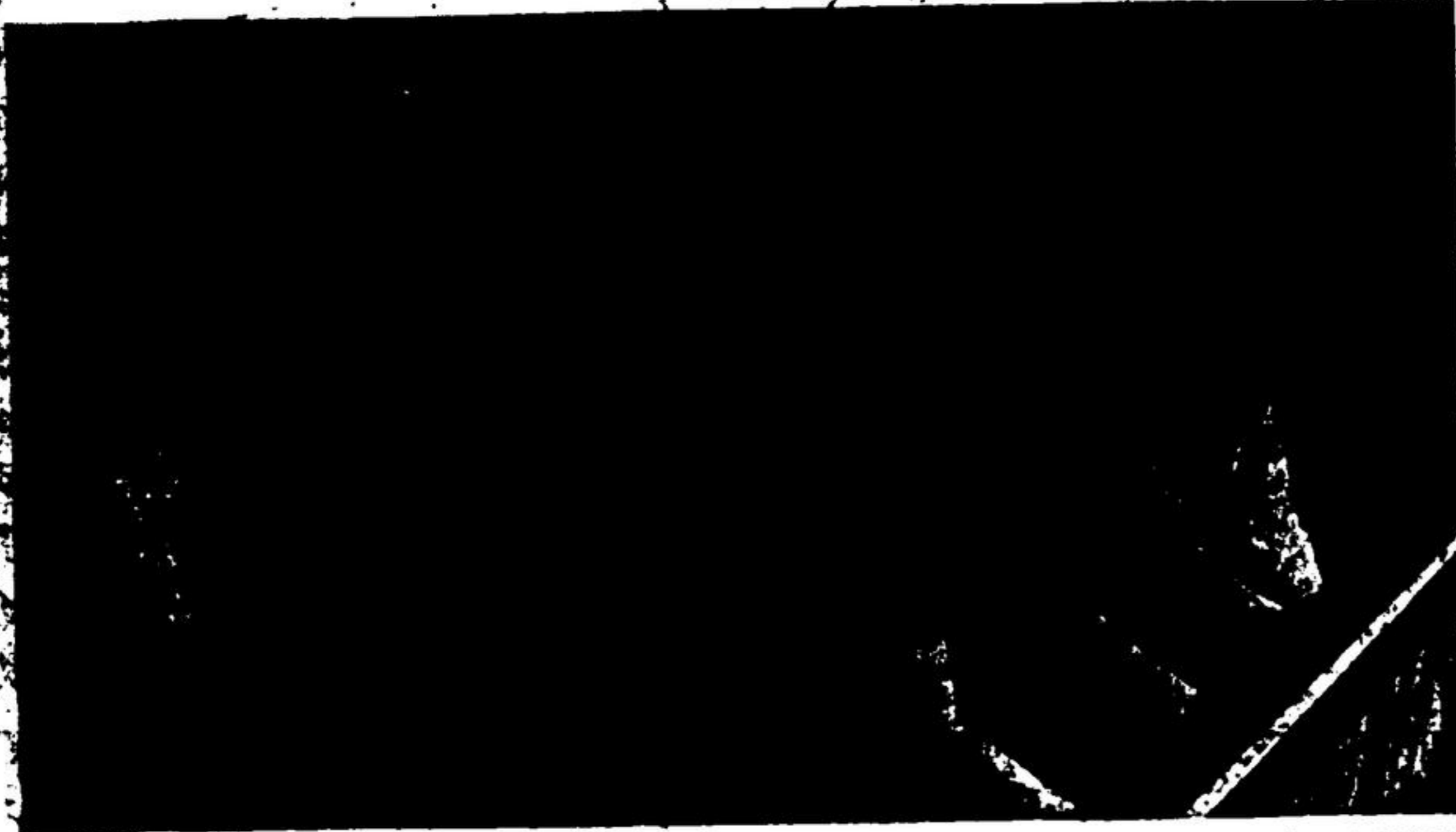


Breach of Promise Case

JURY SLIGHTLY BIASED IN TRIAL BY JURY



AN ALL-MALE JURY that proves a little less than neutral, sings one of the numbers in Gilbert and Sullivan's Trial by Jury, being presented by high school students players. The jury men side with the defendant, a man, being used by his fiancée in a breach of promise case.



THE PRINCIPALS IN THE PLAY gather around the piano for a final run through before going before the audience. The play is being presented jointly by the high school's music department and drama club. Michael Palaschak is the producer and Ivan Long, the school's music supervisor, is the director.

Famous People Call Yule Their Birthday

A young farmer's wife in England gave birth to a son in 1642. In 1821, a baby girl was born in the Massachusetts village of Oxford. In 1865, the wife of a militant Christian crusader gave birth to her fourth daughter. And in 1883, in Paris, an artist's model bore a baby boy.

What did these four births have in common? In each case, the child was born on Christmas Day, and grew up to become a famous person. According to the Book of Knowledge, these well-known "Christmas babies" were Clara Barton, Evangeline Booth, Maurice Utrillo and Sir Isaac Newton.

Founder of Red Cross
Clara Barton, Civil War nurse, was born on Christmas Day in 1821. It was her warm thoughts of Christmas that led her, when she set off to visit her brother, a prisoner during the Civil War, to offer

to take presents not only to him but to the prisoner relatives of all her Oxford, Mass., neighbours.

Subsequently, Clara Barton was instrumental in founding the American Red Cross and served as its president for many years.

In Salvation Army
Born on Christmas Day in 1865, Evangeline Booth was the fourth daughter of the Salvation Army founder, William Booth. By the age of 23, she was head of the Salvation Army in London, and in 1904 she took over operations for the entire United States.

During World War I, the Salvation Army lassies under her jurisdiction spent Christmas — as well as many other days — ministering to the need of American doughboys in France. The word "dough boy" stems from the celebrated Salvation Army doughnut, a World War I staple.

Known for Paintings
One Christmas-born child had little cheer in his life, on holidays or otherwise. This was the French painter, Maurice Utrillo, born on December 25, 1883.

Son of an unknown father and a mother who was a model for many of the Montmartre brush wielders of her time, young Maurice was shy and withdrawn, not only in childhood but throughout his life.

Ironically, reproductions of many of his paintings, particularly those of the sparkling white dome of the Montmartre Church of Sacre Coeur, are used by the thousands every year on Christmas cards.

He Invented Toys
Sir Isaac Newton, English physicist, mathematician, philosopher greeted his first Christmas, and his first day, in Lincolnshire, England, in 1642.

Frail and sickly as a youth, he devoted many boyhood December to, inventing and making Christmas toys.

Chico's Clowning Amuses At Santa's Annual Visit

Ralph Hawes

It was so wonderful to be at the Branch on Thursday to witness the happiness of the children at the Christmas Party.

It is seldom that one sees so many children gathered together at one time.

Chico the Clown was the main attraction to the small fry prior to the arrival of Santa.

We found it most fascinating to observe the expressions of the wee kiddies faces at Chico approached them to shake their hand or when he pulled his false nose off to balance a chair on his real nose.

Chico held them spellbound. We would like to thank him for his assistance which he gives so willingly each year.

Santa's arrival was a signal for the kids to attempt to raise the roof with loud cheers.

Gob Collier, his brother, Bill, Jim Sargent, Tom Clark and Carman Copland did their usual excellent job of handling the children and distributing the hundreds of gifts.

We would be amiss if we failed to mention here a word of thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for their generous donation of \$200.00 to assist the Branch to finance the Party.

We would also tip our hat to Gord King for his most successful money raising campaign,

Church Fund Will Get Turkey Supper Proceeds

HORNBY NEWS...

The December meeting of the U.C.W. of Eden United Church was held on Monday night at the home of Mrs. John Cordingley with 13 members present.

During the business period it was decided that starting in January each member would pay a fee of 25c and that the total proceeds of the annual turkey supper would be turned over to the church fund. It was voted that a donation be given to aid the church choir and also one be sent to the Overseas Relief Fund.

The program which was in charge of Mr. Kelvin Johnston, Mrs. William Hill, Mrs. Harry Lowden and Mrs. John Cordingley consisted of a Christmas contest and a game of Court Whist. Winners of the contest were Mrs. Edna Waite, Mrs. Lena Hamilton, Mrs. Flossie Hill and Mrs. Evelyn Miller; for the Court Whist it was Mrs. John Nixon and Mrs. Edna Waite.

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The general meeting of the U.C.W. of Hornby United Church was held on Wednesday night, December 15, in the church basement.

Mrs. James Snow will be the new president for next year. The secretary and treasurer will remain for another year. The devotional was in charge of Mrs. Albert Marchment and Mrs. Dougal Leadie.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy South, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Ellis, of Brampton, visited on Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Garry Hamilton.

DISTRICT NEWS AT A GLANCE

ERIN ...

Public apathy hit a new low in Erin last week when just six people attended a meeting of village ratepayers called by Erin village officials. A system of dog control, vandalism in the village and financial statements were the items discussed.

MILTON ...

A water salesman told Milton council last week that the installation of meters there would cut 100,000,000 gallons off the town's projected water consumption for 1966. Milton council is considering meters to ease their water problems.

Car Plunges in Gully Brampton Man Injured

A Brampton man was admitted to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital with undetermined injuries Saturday after riding his heavy car down a steep bank at the north of Main St. and ramming a large tree at the bottom.

Police said Ronald W. Morrow was driving north on Main St. when his 1958 Buick left the road travelled 63 feet and levelled a speed limit sign and then continued on for another 130 feet. The last stretch included a plunge down a treed embankment. The car came to rest near a small stream.

The driver was taken to Georgetown hospital by a Georgetown police cruiser and treated by Dr. A. MacIntosh.

Estimated property damage was \$750 to the car which was totally wrecked, and \$12 to the battered sign.

The accident happened at 2 o'clock in the morning and was investigated by Sgt. George Louth.

WE'RE INCLUDED IN FORESEEN SECOND METRO

York, Hamilton, Ontario and Peel Counties could become a second metropolitan area around Toronto, a regional officer with the provincial department of economic and development said last week.

Joseph Curtis, speaking at a meeting of a five-man steering committee set up for Ontario County in the formation of a proposed four-county regional development association said in the next 35 years the population of the four counties would be doubled.

He said the development association could be the first step in the formation of a regional metropolitan area to protect the four counties from being swallowed up by Metro Toronto.

The four counties are the last ones in Ontario to form a regional development association which has no political power but is a fact-finding body.

Hospital Statistics Given For November

The Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital was as full as it's ever been in November, according to statistics just released this week. Facts and figures on last month's hospital operation show that the Percentage of Occupancy in November was 87.4. The same month last year had a high point of 80.4 per cent.

Most other comparisons with November, 1964, show last month slightly low.

Nov. '64	Nov. '65
Admissions	100 165
Deaths	44 34
Births	5 7
Daily av'g. no. of patients	
Adults, children	54.2 58.6
Newborn	10 8.1
% of Basinettes	
in use	62 50.8
AV'g. length of stay (days)	
Adults, children	12.1
Newborn	7.7
Operations performed	83 73
X-ray examinations	451 452
Emergency visits	247 180
Physiotherapy: (number treated)	45 54

During the first 11 months of 1965 there have been 1,769 adults and children admitted to hospital, 608 babies born, and 54 deaths. The total number of emergency visits was 1,620.



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Yule Music Blends Joy, Reverence

Across the centuries, man has looked to music to express his happy feelings at Christmas time.

From the medieval "Hail, Mary, full of grace" and Marvele night Joseph" to the modern "White Christmas" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" songs have been a favourite part of Christmas celebrations.

In the tradition of Christmas music there are simple carols blending reverent wonder with quiet joy — Martin Luther's "Away in a Manger" for instance or the mid-nineteenth century hymn "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," "We Three Kings of Orient Are" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

There are merry songs, celebrating the jolly mood of the Yuletide, such as the time-honored "Deck the Halls," or the modern "Rudolph" and "Frosty the Snowman."

Composers inspired ...

Famous composers have found in Christmas inspiration for some of their most renowned music. At Christmas, and Easter too, people gather to hear performances of Handel's "Messiah," Bach's Christmas Oratorio" and Beethoven's "Ludwig van du Christ" are other examples of "serious" music often specially performed at Christmas.

Twentieth century composers, too, have written music around Christmas themes. Probably the most familiar example is Menotti's "Anshel and the Night Visitors," an opera commissioned for television and performed annually. Honnegger's "Christmas Cantata" and Britten's "Carols for Christmas" are other notable examples.

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Ye Hallel St. Basil ...

Since the herald angel sang, bringing "glad tidings of great joy" to shepherds watching their flocks, the people of many lands have contributed to the history of Christmas hymns and carols.

In the fourth century, St. Basil the Great of Greece emerged victorious in his struggle for Christianity with the Byzantine Emperor Julian. To celebrate this victory, a musical poem or carol was sung in his honor.

The first day of the New Year is still celebrated as St. Basil's day in Greece, and children receive their "Christmas" gifts on that day.

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In Tudor Times ...

In England during Tudor times, Christmas celebrations began on All Saint's Day, November 1, and continued until Candlemas, on February 2. "The Lord of Miracles" acted as a master of ceremonies at the Yuletide festivities.

Much of the music for all this merrymaking was extemporaneous. Many songs were passed on by word of mouth from generation to generation — songs such as "The Boar's Head Carol," referring to the "boar" or pig which was traditional at the Yule feast, and "The First Nowell."

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First in U.S. ...

First Christmas carol composed in the United States was the work of an 18th century leather worker named William Billings, reports The Book of Knowledge. A tanner by trade but a tunesmith by inclination, Billings composed the carol, "A Virgin Unspotted."

The song isn't one that is still sung, and few hymnals now include it, but carol singers today owe William Billings a considerable debt of gratitude.

During Puritan times in England, the singing of carols and, indeed, the whole celebration of Christmas, was banned. The Puritan-minded American colonies followed suit.

It was William Billings, more than any other individual, who managed to persuade the Puritan New England settlers that singing songs at Christmas wasn't sinful.

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Source of Song ...

Among the well-loved Christmas hymns is "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear." The words to this one were written by a Unitarian minister of Weston, Mass., named Edmund H. Sears. Time's Just about a hundred years ago says the Book of Knowledge.

One melody of this hymn was composed by a Detroit

Journalist and editor; another melody was adapted from an old British folk song by a musician better known for his long string of light-hearted operetta hits. This was Sir Arthur Sullivan, of the team of Gilbert and Sullivan.

WHAT "NOEL" MEANS
"Noel," the French word for Christmas, means "birthday," "news," or "a shout of joy."



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