



CARRIERS PACK up their Free Presses Wednesday afternoons at the office, before heading out on their routes. Bill McKenzie, Morley Ellis and Paul Marchment fill up their bags.



MELODY YOUMANS, Linda Henderson, Tracy Clarke, Kim and Tammy McDonald, Connie Yeomans, Alanna Bowen, Jo-Anne Carrol and Kelly Harrison put on a Christmas skit at the Baptist church Saturday evening at their Christmas concert.



A HARMONICA DUET performed by Das Sidney and Elda Fryer concluded the evening's entertainment at the Baptist Christmas concert held Saturday evening.

What survey found about weekly carriers

The Ontario Weekly Newspapers Association has reported on a survey of weekly newspaper carriers across Canada and the United States. Since the Free Press has just started carrier service, this information might be of interest to the boys and girls and their families.

As usual, surveys don't necessarily prove anything! The Free Press carriers are all doing a fine job, according to circulation manager Don McDonald. He stays at the Free Press office until nearly 6 p.m. each Wednesday in case there are any people phoning about problems.

For what it's worth, here is the article from the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association bulletin.

answer this question.

—A carrier with mostly A's and B's in school generally makes a superior carrier.

—A college-bound carrier is much more likely to be a successful carrier than a non-college bound carrier.

—A successful carrier is more likely to come from a household with both a father and mother present.

—If a carrier has a savings account at the time he or she starts a route, the more likelihood of being a successful carrier.

These and other findings are the results of information compiled from 2,206 questionnaires sent in by over 90 newspapers in the United States and Canada.

The circulation manager rated his carrier poor, fair, average, above average, or exceptional on four basic attributes: overall delivery and service; overall collection record; payment of his bill in full and on time; overall salesmanship record—actively seeking new business on the route; and an overall rating on attitude and responsibility in general.

Other findings in the study are

1. The age a carrier starts a route has no strong relationship to ensuring success as a carrier.
2. After a carrier's route reaches 81 or more customers, the greater the tendency for him to be rated as a success.
3. An important factor in successful carriers is the involvement of the father rather than the mother.
4. Household income makes a difference. Carriers living in households where the annual income is under \$8,000 tend to be less successful than those who live in households where the annual income is \$10,000 or more.
5. There is some tendency for the successful carrier to come from a 4 to 5 person household.
6. If a carrier is billed weekly, he or she is more likely to be successful.
7. The successful carrier complains more about the time spent collecting than the unsuccessful carrier.
8. The successful carrier tends to come from a household where there is a greater tendency to help him out on an "often help" basis.



THREE-YEAR-OLD David Harrison and 13-month Kimberly Baddeley had fun with clowns Mary Daigle and Darlene McDonald at the Legion annual Christmas party held Sunday afternoon.

Rosh Hashana First of 10-Day Penitence

It is not definitely known when Rosh Hashana, which falls on the first day of the month of Tishri, became the first day of the New Year. The Bible refers to it as a festival which is to take place on the first day of the seventh month, Tishri, in the Spring, as the first month. Neither is it indicated that it marks the beginning of the year.

Rosh Hashana is the first of the ten days of penitence. In the Aramaic (Haggadah), it marks the anniversary of the creation of the first human couple, their sin and their repentance. The same is expressed in the Rosh Hashana Musaf prayers, where it is stated, "This day marks the beginning of Thy work, a memorial of the first day of creation."



LEE ANN MUNDAY seems to be enjoying her self at the Legion's annual Christmas party held Sunday. Her father, Gary Munday, seems to be attracted to the activities.

The Christmas Sled

Oh, for the winters that used to be!
The winters that only a boy may see!
Rich with snowflakes' rush and swirl;
Keen as a diamond, pure as a pearl.
Brimming with beautiful, rollicking fun;
Sweet with their rest when the play was done,
With kindly revels each day decreed,
And a Christmas sled for the royal steed.
Down from the crest with a shrill hurra;
Clear the track, there! Out of the way!
Scurry! Touching the path beneath;
Scare admitting of breath to breathe!
Dashing along, with leap and swerve,
Over the crassing, round the curve.
Talk of your flying machines' instead,
Give me the swoop of that Christmas sled!



Warm Wishes for Christmas

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Region headquarters site still undecided

A motion dealing with the recommended site for Halton Regional Council headquarters was deferred once again during a meeting of Regional Council Wednesday.

Council's site and building committee toured six sites Monday and decided to recommend a site at Upper Middle Rd. and Highway 25, Oakville.

Committee chairman mayor Tom Hill had left the regional council meeting by the time that matter came up Wednesday, but a Burlington member of the committee said a new recommendation would be forthcoming for the January meeting of council.

Faulty Questioned on why the recommendation to purchase land had not come before the council, Chairman Allan Masson said the committee had received faulty information.

The land is owned by the provincial government and intended for regional offices for the province. Masson said the committee had no contact with the provincial government.

He said the land recommended was not available. If council knew the price asked it wouldn't be in favor, he said.

Misinformation Masson said there had been a lot of misinformation about the sites that were and were not available.

Other sites being considered are in the vicinity of Highway 5 in Burlington and Oakville.

SYLLABUB, ANYONE? That popular holiday-party drink known as ERK-NOR is a modern version of an old English drink called syllabub, which was a spiced mixture of wine and milk.

THE SIMPLE SWAG
The swag is no more than an artistic arrangement of a few evergreen branches for use on doors, walls, windows, mantels or tables. A simple swag can be made by using a few long evergreen branches together, then attaching cones, bells or ribbons where the branches are tied. To make a shaped swag, such as an "S", bend branches into the desired shape, use an evergreen branch, and decorate as you would a wreath. Garland can be made by fastening branches to a long strip of wire or heavy cord and used over a mantel or door. Eight such branches are good, with each overlapping the stem end of the former.



At Halton Museum

The log cabin

This view of the log cabin is of the north half of the main floor showing the sleeping area for parents. The children slept upstairs. It was originally constructed about 1810 of pine by Alex Campbell on the Currie tract of Lands and Forests Dept. property (opposite Mohawk Raceway).

The original size was 24 by 24 feet. It is somewhat smaller now as the ends of the logs had to be cut off due to rotting when it was moved to the present location at Kelso. It was owned by Jim Ferrier who served as a Forest Ranger and it was moved to the museum site log by log. It was restored and rebuilt by the museum staff and volunteer workers in 1973. The two floors are furnished in 1830 style.

Make Jolly Snowman To Welcome Guests

Cover one large and one small styrofoam ball with foil. Use toothpicks to fasten together. Make a face on the smaller ball with buttons for eyes, yarn for eyebrows, a tiny red ball for nose and a crescent of yarn or red paper for mouth. Make buttons down the front with small buttons. Crush foil for arms, make hands with red mittens from cardboard and yarn. Fasten these to body with toothpicks or common pins. Stand the snowman on a circle or star of cardboard covered with foil and marked with bright yarn. Make a hat from a drinking cup covered with foil. Tie red yarn around the brim and make a scarf from several strands of yarn braided together. Stand the snowman on a hill of white cotton and group small foil covered balls around with sprigs of Christmas greens.

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