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## The New Year

Once again, the rush of Christmas has subsided, shopping sprees in crowded stores, hurried last-minute gift wrapping and the preparations for Christmas dinner are all a thing of the past: even that sense of satisfaction after a wonderful dinner and the thrill of opening gifts have slipped into the oblivion and we find ourselves faced with the prospect of the new year.

For some the word "New Years" is synonymous with parties and celebration and a good excuse to throw abandon to the winds, however for many, New Years future, keeping in mind a few of the incidents and lessons of the past. New Years resolutions which are often made and broken a week later are better left unsung for if a person is determined to do a thing a joking resolution will have little effect.

Despite the threat of war which has shadowed us during the past year, tremendous inroads to insure, to a degree, a happier new year have been made. Some disgruntled folks exclaim "Happy New Year" with a sour note, "What's happy about it, sickness, war, taxes..." and so they grumble from one year's end to the next. Certainly it is impossible to satisfy everybody and an attempt on the part of those in key positions to please such grumblers would be futile.

Smug "matter of fact" individuals contend that we have made little progress

in the last five years, citing Korea, inflation and a host of other things. But if you consider the matter very closely, the lot of the average man has certainly been improved in recent years and each new year sees more benefits for those who work for their daily bread.

Social improvements are being continually made in the Western world and charity on the part of individual governments and agencies and under the United Nations has done much to alleviate the suffering and devastation in war-torn countries. The U.N. itself is a happy prospect for the determination on the part of the member nations has accomplished feats which earlier seemed impossible.

We Canadians have the privilege of living in a country of tremendous resources and unlimited possibilities, a country which is slowly but surely emerging as one of the leading nations of the world. Surely this increasing prosperity will serve to better the country and create a bright future for all Canadians.

Some of today's citizens have taken up the cry of the 19th century romanticists, "mal du siecle" - misfortune and hopelessness, but there is no doubt that the majority of Canadians will say "Happy New Year" to their friends with the firm conviction that better things will come for us all.

"Who darkens the future, darkens the present."

## The Greater Richmond Hill

January first, nineteen hundred and fifty-three will always be a memorable date in Richmond Hill history. On this date annexation of a thousand acres north, east and south of the old village limits becomes fully effective by authority of the Ontario Municipal Board ruling. It is the first addition to the village area since incorporation back in 1873.

Reeve W. J. Taylor and members of the Municipal Council have extended the hand of good fellowship in welcoming more than a thousand new citizens of the village, and The Liberal wishes to join in this welcome, and we are sure in doing so we are speaking for all the people of this municipality.

We trust that from this date the former boundary line will be forgotten, that there may be no new or old residents of the village, but that we all will be citizens of the Greater Richmond Hill.

Richmond Hill has welcomed many new citizens in recent years and has experienced considerable residential, business and industrial development. However there is every indication we are on the threshold of much greater development and the next few years should see rapid

expansion and many changes in the village. In a short time Richmond Hill will have a much larger population and be the home of many new industries giving employment to people of the village and surrounding district. We look forward to an expansion in commercial undertakings and our business section to keep pace with the growing district and serve the needs of the wide trading area of which Richmond Hill is the centre.

Richmond Hill has many natural advantages and is located in the centre of one of Canada's fastest growing districts. It has a bright future in store and what the Greater Richmond Hill of tomorrow will depend to a large extent on the vision and planning of the citizens of today.

The challenge to everyone, those who hold positions of responsibility in public office and every loyal citizen is to work and build today so that those who come after us may be proud of what we have done. Let it be said of those who today are the architects of the Greater Richmond Hill that they build well and with vision.

We salute the Greater Richmond Hill born this January 1st, 1953 with the hope that the future may hold much in prosperity and real happiness for all our people.

## KING CITY NEWS

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Christmas Day visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Burwell Jackson and Jack Hamby included their aunt, Miss Merelda Campbell, Paul Haurbach and Ralph Bond, all of Toronto.

**Santa Claus**

Santa Claus was on his way to Dunkerton on Wednesday night, December 17, but he slipped off to see the children at the annual pot luck supper and Christmas tree at Lasky Sunday School. The children put on a program of songs and recitations and Mr. Jim Agar, Nashville, showed moving pictures. One, a religious picture, was "The Wonderful Life," another was of Ireland, and two comic pictures. Over 100 people were present at the supper and entertainment.

## Wedding

GILLHAM - DOUGLAS

The altar at St. Alban's Angli-

can Church, Nobleton, was decorated with white and coloured 'mums, and the pews were tied with white ribbons, when a pretty Christmas wedding took place on Saturday afternoon, December 20.

The bride was Elizabeth Rose, daughter of Mrs. Douglas and the late Frederick Douglas, Schomberg. The groom was James Earl Gillham, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gillham, 7th con. of King. Rev. Dr. Abbott was the officiating clergyman.

The bride, given in marriage by her eldest brother, Murray Douglas, Schomberg, wore an ankle-length gown of champagne Chantilly lace, over cream satin. The bodice was fashioned with a stand-up collar, and long tapering sleeves of lace. The skirt was bouffant. A halo headress held her fingertip veil of champagne nylon tulle, and she carried a white Bible.

of English ivy. Miss Betty Webster, Kettleby, was bridesmaid, dressed in a ballerina gown of mauve net over taffeta, a Dutch bonnet, and slippers of the lime shade. She carried a shower bouquet of yellow and mauve 'mums, with long coloured streamers. The groom was attended by his brother, W. A. Gillham, and the ushers were Douglas Hollinshead, King-born and Ross Douglas, Schomberg, both nephews of the bride. During the signing of the register Stanley Harris, Toronto, sang "O Promise Me."

At the reception supper which was held at Nobleton Community Hall, the bride's mother, Mrs. Douglas, wore sapphire blue crepe, with navy velvet hat, and navy blue accessories. Mrs. Gillham's gown was of Venetian ruby taffeta and her hat was made of navy blue coque feathers. Both mothers wore corsages of roses and chrysanthemums. The guests included immediate relatives from Toronto, Lorne Park, Brampton, Hagersville, Newmarket, Trenton and Brantford.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Gillham left on a motor trip to the United States

## "Dear Mister Editor"

Re: Vaughan Twp. Planning Bd.

Dear Mr. Editor: Following an announcement by Vaughan Township Council that I had resigned from the Planning Board, a great number of you people have asked me the reason for my taking this action. I would like you all to know that I resigned at the request of the Council through the Clerk, prior to my seeking election to the 1953 Council. I would like also, to add that I have since been unable to find anything in the Municipal Act which requires a candidate for Municipal Government to resign from a planning board. Two other members of the planning board also were candidates for 1953 Council and were subsequently returned to office in the December 1 election. I wonder if they could produce resignations dated prior to November 19th?

This, despite the fact that he spoke very highly of my work, not only as a member of the board but as chairman of the Commercial Committee. On several occasions I had been commended by Dr. Faludi the Township Planning Consultant, for my contribution to the 1952 board. The Reeve did not say what the opposition to my being returned was, he did however, feel that with the work which has been done this year on the new zoning by-laws for Vaughan Township that a great deal of time would be lost and much effort wasted if someone new were appointed at this time, and a lot more could be accomplished by not having an immediate change in the personnel of the planning board until the zoning was completed.

How can representatives of the people sacrifice experience, ability and the desire to serve and put their personal feelings ahead of the common good of the people?

If the men representing us are so small in their thinking and so biased in their opinions, how can we expect to go forward and take our rightful place in the tremendous progress which is taking place in this great Country of ours.

E. Wilson Anstey, Thornhill, Ont.

### Christmas Tree Theft

Dear Mr. Editor:

May I ask for a little space in The Liberal.

I trust the person who cut down a 12 year old Blue Spruce tree, out of my windbreak hedge, had a nice Christmas, and, each time he looked at the tree his conscience bothered him. Because why cut a 12-year-old tree down, out of private property, when there were so many all around. Take a look at tree sale lots, how many trees were left. But of course some people cannot keep their hands off anything, whether it belongs to them or to other people.

Now, this thief was seen, although they think they were doing it stealthily, so the next time they pass my place they had better hurry, as I have a warm reception for them. If they had had the bother and time to grow these trees, I am sure they would respect other people's property. Because for one week's decoration at the most, I have lost 12 years of growing a tree.

I wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all, even that thief who wanted to spoil the look of my hedge.

I am

Yours truly,  
G. A. Slingsby,  
Carville Rd. East

## OAK RIDGES & LAKE WILCOX NEWS

CORRESPONDENT: MRS. C. L. STEPHENSON

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Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Patchell, Michael and Brian left on Sunday to spend some weeks in Florida.

The school at Lake Wilcox now has a cement platform outside each door opening into the various rooms. This will make it much easier to keep the floors free of mud in wet weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Cosmo LoPatriello Sr., CFRB road, have had several Christmas parties for their large family connections. On Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Henderson (nee Lily LoPatriello) had their small son, James Bruce, christened in the Aurora United Church. A reception was held after the service at the home of the grandparents. Mr. Cosmo LoPatriello Jr. sold several paintings during the Christmas season and made all his Christmas gifts with his own artistic hands.

Joan, Marlene and Sylvia Pelquin are guests this week of Mrs. K. Woolough at Briar Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gourlay were guests for Christmas of Mrs. Gourlay's sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hason in Scarborough.

A Christmas letter from Mrs. Gladys Cross brings greetings to all her friends at Lake Wilcox. She is feeling much better after a short stay in hospital where she underwent a minor operation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bolton entertained Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ash to an oyster supper Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ash and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Chester in Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. John Topper and family of Timmins were Christmas guests at the Ridge Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hope and family were guests for Christmas of Mrs. Hope's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. Stephenson, Toronto. Mrs. J. Robinson and Janice Lynn returned with them to spend the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blyth entertained Mr. and Mrs. K. McQuire to dinner on Christmas eve in celebration of the McQuire's 14th anniversary. Many other friends dropped in during the evening.

Flying Officer Brian Topper of McDonald air base, Manitoba, joined his parents at the Ridge Inn for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Comfort kept open house Christmas eve for all the neighbors going on later to the Ron Macintosh's to enjoy the new television set, presented to his mother by O.S. E. M. Brian Macintosh who has been home on 30 days leave from Cornwallis. He returns to his base on January 4.

Mrs. Fred Saunders and family spent Christmas eve with the Stephensons. The Stephensons have attended several parties at homes. The family will be together for New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Boyd and family had Mrs. Boyd's mother and her brothers with them for Christmas. Mrs. Boyd appreciates very much the many beautiful plants and Christmas remembrances sent her, also the cards, and many visits from her friends.

Mr. Watson Routledge, a life-long resident of Oak Ridges passed away on December 26, in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto. Ill since last September, he was thought to be improving until the day after Christmas when he took a sudden turn for the worse and died the same day. He is survived by two brothers and two sisters, Marsh, Charles, Hettie and Lucy (Mrs. J. Hays). All residents of Oak Ridges. The funeral was held on Monday, December 29, from Thompson's Funeral Home, Aurora, and interment took place in St. John's Cemetery, Oak Ridges. The sympathy of the community is extended to the family.

Larry Sutton, who has been helping his father deliver milk for the Aurora Dairy, in this district, met with an accident on December 18. Jumping off the truck at the dairy, he collided with another truck and his leg was broken three inches below the hip. He will be in New-

market hospital for six weeks. Mr. Claude Marshall donated 16 hockey sticks to the Oak Ridges Lions Club. These will be used by the boys playing hockey under the sponsorship of the Lions Club.

David Hall, son of Principal and Mrs. Hall of Lake Wilcox School, who is a student at the Ontario School for the Deaf at Belleville, spent the Christmas holidays with his family.

Mr. Richard Bull Jr. of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, spent the holidays with his parents. Miss Anne Stephenson, music supervisor in Orillia, was also home for Christmas. Anne was guest soloist with the Presbyterian Choir in Orillia, Christmas Sunday.

Watching the B-A Sports Parade on television recently, friends of Miss Joyce Parsons, Oak Ridges, were thrilled to hear the announcer say, "Joyce Parsons scores a basket." Joyce was a prominent member of the Aurora District High School basketball team all through her high school days and has kept up her game since on Toronto teams. She is playing at present with the Nortown Motors. Her team was playing with the Clifton Plumbers at Oakwood Collegiate when the game was filmed for television.

December is a busy month for the Robert Woolley family. Three birthdays as well as Christmas to celebrate, Bobbie was 16 on Dec. 24, Kenny was 8 on the 29th, and Mrs. Woolley celebrates her birthday on the 30th. She declines to publish her age. Happy birthday to all of them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. Grant McCaheen and Mr. and Mrs. Schell Styrm were among the Oak Ridges folk who kept open house Christmas eve. A jolly crowd of young and old made merry at each place during the evening.

The Oak Ridges Lions Club packed 25 Christmas baskets for distribution in the district. They are grateful to all who helped with donations in the stores and also to the Salvation Army who are paying for five baskets and to the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Church, who are paying for three baskets. A petty thief who broke into store in the district stole the jar of money intended for the same purpose. The Lions Club spent \$225 with the various merchants in the district on this project.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stonehouse of Barrie spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Stan Rule and family. Stan is in bed today (Saturday) with pleurisy.

Lake Wilcox Community Bowling Club team standings for December 19 are Rovers 14, Wolves 13, Ramblers 12, Jackpots 12, High Flyers 8, Spitfires 4, High singles Johnny Neal 237, Mrs. S. Kyle 267. Results of the turkey roll - Group 1, C. Smith won turkey, G. Clyde chicken; group 2, Mrs. S. Kyle, turkey and Johnny Neal, chicken; group 3, Mrs. M. Holmes, turkey, H. Brown, chicken; group 4, Mrs. N. Neal, turkey and D. Denier, a chicken; group 5, Mrs. K. Weston, turkey and Mrs. M. Brown, chicken.

**Christmas Concerts**  
The Christmas concert sponsored by the Home and School Association at Oak Ridges School December 19 brought out a record crowd of parents and friends. Entitled "Christmas around the world" each class trained by its teacher and helped by many others in the community, put on a number illustrating how Christmas is kept in other lands. The junior choir trained by Mrs. Appleton and the senior choir trained by Mr. Lothian each sang musical accompaniments during the entire program.

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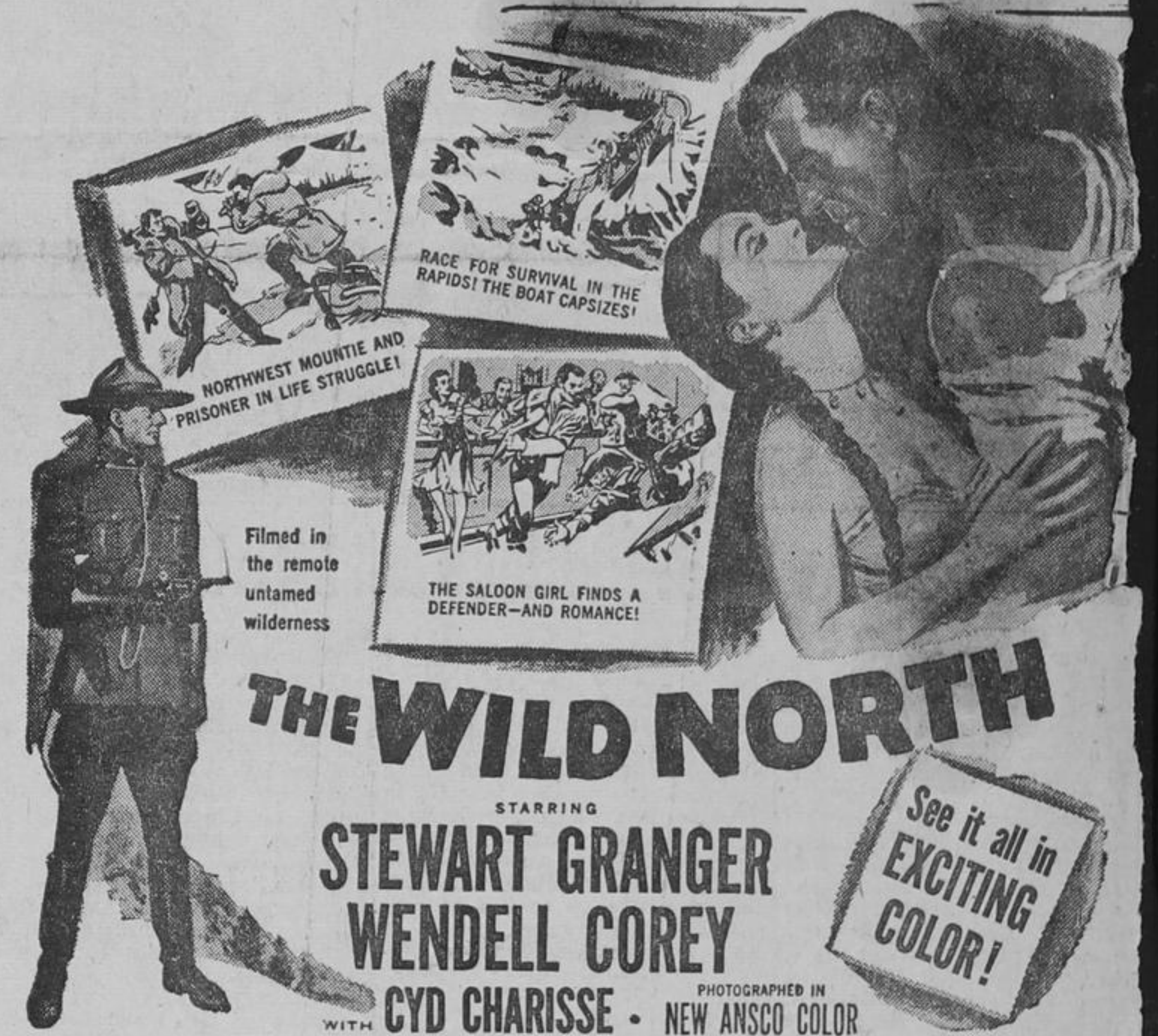
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