

# CASTOR CUPBOARDS

Mark Van Dusen's  
Christmas Beaver \*

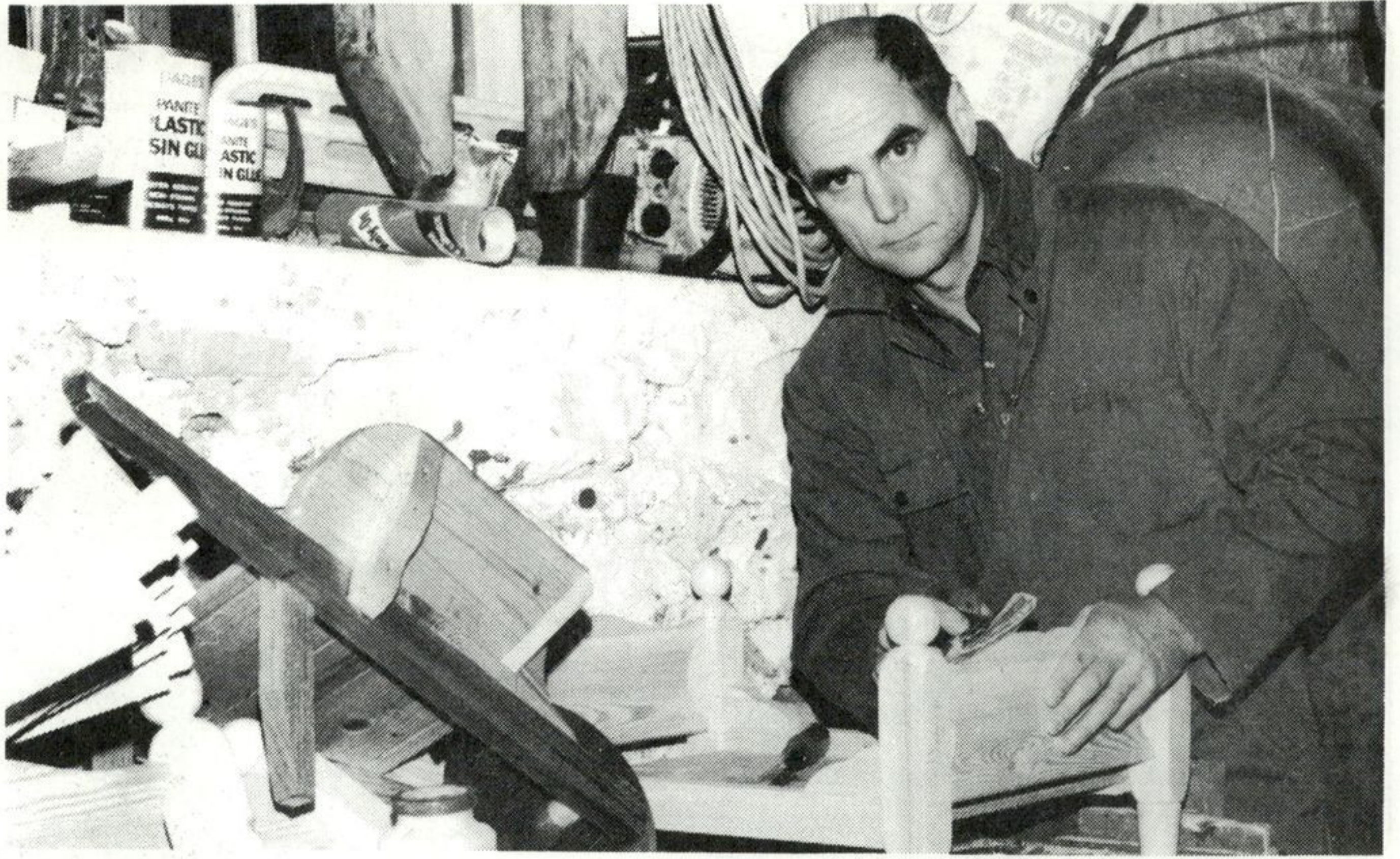
- 1 beaver
- Baking soda
- Salt
- Sliced onions
- Strips of bacon or salt pork



Take pains to remove all surface fat from dressed beaver. Ensure that scent glands are also removed from between forelegs, under thighs and along the spine in the small of the back. Take care not to cut into them. One way to make the meat more mild in flavor is to cover it with boiling water and add 1 tablespoon each of baking soda and black pepper, then simmer for 10-15 minutes, drain and roast in the following manner.

Cover meat with a weak solution of soda and water (1 teaspoon soda to 1 quart of water). Parboil by simmering gently for 10 minutes. Drain, place meat in roaster, sprinkle with salt, cover with sliced onions, strips of bacon, and roast in moderate oven (350 degrees F) until well done. Serve at once. Beaver should be cooked until the meat almost falls off the bones.

\* To get a beaver, make friends with a trapper. Trappers are usually happy to find someone daring enough to try a beaver feast. If your lucky, he may even clean it for you!



**NORTH POLE SOUTH**

Dick Sherwood, of Russell, is too big to be one of Santa's elves so he works out of his own basement shop at home but the wooden toys he crafts are just as tickling to their young recipients as if they came direct from the famous factory at the North Pole. (Photo by Rowsell).

## Russell W.I. —

### Busy December meeting

Russell Village Women's Institute held its December meeting at St. Mary's Anglican church hall in Russell.

President Eileen Hamelin welcomed the guests and members and was assisted in the order of business by Edna Curry. Reports were given by conveners Mary Inglis, Ada Latour, Diny Achter-eekte and Georgie Gamble.

The institute also heard a report of the area convention of the Institute from Mrs. Hamelin. The 1979 convention was announced for Oct. 25-26 in Ottawa at the Talisman Hotel.

The institute will have a bake sale on Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. in the Russell arena in conjunction with the annual Russell carnival.

Russell WI ladies will again sponsor a Russell 4-H club and leaders to attend the school are Joan Laviolette and Colby Bols. The school will be Jan. 19-20 at Bearbrook Community Centre and the Russell Village institute will cater their luncheon on Jan. 20. On the committee in charge of the luncheon are Tina Campbell, Eileen Hamelin and Georgie Gamble.

The institute forwarded \$168.76 to UNICEF from the Halloween collection — \$99.68 was raised by the Russell Public School and \$69.10 by St. Joseph's Separate School.

A report was given by Georgie Gamble with regard to the speaker in the recent senior citizens meeting in respect to the forthcoming senior citizens residence. Eileen Hamelin prepared the report.

The institute roll call of the evening brought many answers for better communications between youth and adults. Colby Bols presented a motto telling us how the world could be a better place in which to live. Mrs. Bols and Lydia Nyenkamp were the conveners for the program and introduced Joan Portal-Foster who is the physical fitness instructor at A New You.

A Christmas program included a Christmas reading by Betty E. Hay, a piano duet by mother and daughter, Eileen and Linda Lee Hamelin, a sing song was led with Leila Twiname at the piano and

Cherry Bekkers had a Christmas stocking contest. Georgie Gamble was master of ceremonies for this part of the meeting.

President Eileen Hamelin and Edna Curry, secretary-treasurer, presented calendars to the entire membership. Thanks was expressed to the 4-H girls for their presence at the meeting and their display of handiwork, also for the array of home baking which was on their sale table to raise funds for the 4-H work. Lunch was served by Mary Inglis and Julie Hubbard.

## Visiting

With Dorothy Marquette

Mr. and Mrs. William Atkinson of Kitchener were weekend guests of Mrs. Robert Atkinson.

Mrs. Milton Walker and Mrs. Howard Morphy of Ottawa visited Miss Florence and Miss Dorothy Marquette.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Carruthers of Crysler were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hay spent a weekend in Weston with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hay.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Honey, Miss Florence and Miss Dorothy Marquette were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Honey of Ottawa.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kinkaid were Mr. John McLean and Mr. Emerson Kinkaid of Ayers Cliff, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Robinson of Winchester Springs, Miss Isobel and Miss Olive Cassels of Ottawa.

Miss Nancy Carscadden of Kingston and Mrs. Robert Carscadden of Ottawa spent a weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carscadden.

Mrs. Paul Parlee, Brian, Kenneth and Brenda spent a weekend with Mrs. Parlee's parents Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cherry. All attended a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Elliott in Ottawa, the occasion being Mrs. Cherry's birthday.

**JOYEUX NOËL** **Season's Greetings**

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