

## Christmas Caroling in Rosspport

by ANNE TODESCO

The Rosspport Union Church sponsored a Christmas Carol evening in the Rosspport Community hall on Sunday, December 11th.

Rev. Tim Delaney was guest speaker for the event and spoke on the Advent services in the churches around the world.

The Advent services take place prior to the Christmas celebrations. Mrs. Judi Cooper presided at the piano for the Carol singing.

Several people from Schreiber and Terrace Bay attended. The evening's entertainment closed by a social hour and refreshments were served.

If your committee is still in the stages of planning, please take note that many organizations are available to assist you in your celebrations. These include the Canadian Armed Forces (The Forces Band, the Marching Troupes, the Acrobatic Unit (The Snowbirds), the Parachute Exhibition or the Canadian Forces Ships.

The O.P.P. may also be able to participate and any requests should be directed to the Superintendent, R.S. Rose, 489 North Algoma Street, Box 3080, Thunder Bay, P7B 5G6 or phone 344-8091.

A Bicentennial Quilt contest has also been recently announced. It is open to pros and novices alike. All quilts to be entered in the competition must be received no later than May 1, 1984 in

the Ontario Agricultural Museum at Milton. For further information please contact the Ontario Bicentennial Quilt Contest, Box 38, Milton, Ontario, L9T 2Y3 or phone (416) 878-8151.

The Humber College Music Show will be touring the province for two months this year. They are presently contacting communities in the region to set their touring dates. This is a half-hour show that can be repeated a number of times throughout the day and is best suited to be part of an additional community activity.

Festival Ontario is a programme of the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture and may be available to assist some communities with their programming. Also from the Ministry is a pamphlet on Researching Historic Costumes for Reproduction.

Most Boards of Education in Northwestern Ontario have appointed co-ordinators for Bicentennial activities within their specific Boards. For information on the contact person in your Board, contact the Bicentennial Office in Thunder Bay.

It is expected that the number of additional projects that may become part of Community Bicentennial Events will be approved within the next short while. They are encouraging all

community groups and organizations to keep in close contact with the Area Bicentennial Office to let them know what you are planning to do and to get informa-

tion on the new programmes as they are approved.

Don't hesitate to contact your local Bicentennial Office. They may be reached by writing:

Area Bicentennial Office, Northwest Region, 1825 East Arthur Street, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7E 5N7 or phone toll free 1-800-465-6912.



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## poet's corner "Our Gang"

This job of being father to a group of healthy boys  
Sure has its many headaches as well as all its joys.  
Their fancies are so varied, and their feelings are so frail  
One has to be a diplomat to keep a clear sail.

You know it keeps me guessing, lest I should favour one.  
I do not think a man should have any favourite son,  
And yet they are so different, in their habits and their wants.  
You have to take sides sometimes, whenever justice warrants.

Take Bill and Joe for instance, who are older than the others.  
By look or act or temperament, you'd never know were brothers.  
And Teddy is quite different, from the more impulsive John.  
While Paul and Terry seem to be the two who get along.

But I hope that they will ne'er forget that they are each my son,  
And when they're grown will try to work, the other for each one,  
And trust they'll someday understand that if I smear their faces  
It's merely that when they are men, I would, they know their places.

Ed Cavanaugh

December 8, 1940

## Northern Affairs

### - The Canada Pension Plan (Part 4)

by JANE E. GREER  
This is the fourth in a series of articles deal-

ing with the Canada Pension Plan. This article covers the Canada Pension Plan Disability Benefit.

Disability Benefits are monthly pensions payable to eligible contributors who prior to their 65th birthday become disabled within the meaning of the Canada Pension Plan Act. Unmarried children under the age of 21 who are attending school or University full-time and who are dependant on the disabled contributor are eligible for a monthly Disabled Contributor's Child Benefit.

A person is considered to be disabled according to the Canada Pension Plan legislation only if that person has a physical or mental disability which is both "severe" and "prolonged". Severe means that the individual is incapable of pursuing any substantial gainful occupation. Prolonged means that the disability is likely to be long-continued and of an indefinite duration, or is

likely to result in death.

In order to qualify for the disability pension, a disabled individual must have made contributions to the Canada Pension Plan for the minimum qualifying period. This period is either equivalent to 1/3 of the calendar years that an individual was required to contribute to the plan, or 10 calendar years, whichever is less. There are no benefits payable to individuals who have made less than 3 years of contributions to the plan.

A disability pension for both the disabled person and his or her dependant children can begin on the fourth month following the month in which the Canada Pension Plan administration deems the contributor to be disabled. Benefits cease when the pensioner recovers, returns to gainful employment, dies, or becomes 65 years of age. Benefits for the disabled contributor's dependent children cease

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