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The recreation committee held a Christmas party in the community hall Saturday evening for the children. The Christmas Story and Carols were part of the program followed by a visit from Santa Claus who presented bags of candies, nuts and oranges to the little children.

How the world is changing — the young people refused to participate in a Christmas concert. The villagers always looked forward to this school event - it was the highlight of the Christmas season for everyone to watch and listen to the children going through drills, dialogues, recitations and dancing. The teachers worked hard directing them through the various numbers of the programs while the mothers made costumes and any other props required.

Looking back at the past one pictures a gaily lighted and decorated tree with Santa crawling through the fireplace with a bag of gifts and sweets. Of course there were special gifts scattered about the branches of the tree and Christmas cheer everywhere. Following the distribution of gifts, lunch was served and often dancing was enjoyed for an hour or so before taking the children home to tuck them in bed.

The rink is all set awaiting help from the villagers to make ice. This is ideal weather to flood the rink but no one turns out. It is very discouraging for the recreation committee who are trying to initiate a program of winter sports. Heard recently of a rumour that some villagers are waiting for the ice to become thicker in the harbour so a rink can be made on it. Just what is wanted by the skaters? It looks as if the older folks will have to get out to assist the recreation committee to prepare the rink for the youngsters, then and you can be sures of that, everyone will be out -everything ready to serve to them on a silver platter. Frustrations upset the ones who put so much effort into preparing ground and

fencing in order to have a rink once more in the village.

Our children are precious gifts from God to us from heaven. Our love for the children given us must be a steady rock on which they can rely at all times. There are times that we aren't pleased with what they do -- children often behave in ways that are not pleasing to parents and deserve certain punishments as directed by their parents. Often they throw a tantrum, kick, yell, bite and hit each other or tell stories that aren't true. A parent requires a steady head and a level voice and a FIRM HAND to deal with success situations hour by hour, day by day from daylight to dark. A parent needs to work hard with children especially under five years old. When trouble erupts, mother must act quickly to put a wrong right.

A mother has the most responsibility in raising children as the father is usually at work each day or each week and some do not get home maybe once a month. Children need lots of cuddles and parents should make every effort to share their playtime, sometime during the day. Teach them to help about the home. Little people like to do what their parents do in helping about the house. Little chores such as sweeping, dusting, making their beds, help to set the table and clear up after. It all ends up in useful training for years to come. They may make a watery mess doing the dishes but it all pulled towards a brighter future.

Gardening is a problem. They put the onions in the ground upside down, and

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the tomato plants usually had a slant to them like the Tower of Pisa but after they were settled for the night, mother would slip out and right the wrong in the garden patch. What a happy feeling it is to be a mother and dad -- watch your children grow from childhood, to teenagers and adulthood. If good examples are shown by the parents, the children will grow up showing respect for them and their elders. If the parents guard their way of speech both in loudness, or foul language, laziness, untidiness, naturally the young people will follow in their footsteps in the way they live and conduct themselves. So with this God given gift of a child to raise, it's the parent's responsibility to give and show good examples of the way of life and don't forget lots of love and patience is required to raise children.

It's time we thought more of a child

Our Children

Tho, it's true the teenagers are driving us wild Just look at a babe asleep in a pram

Do we want it's world to stay in a jam? Hijacking, murders, sack-

ing and loot For these precious wee babies we want ground

roots Bring back HOME LIV-ING and throw out all that is wrong

Teach them to share and live life with a song Get them back to nature with fields of green And work for our country

-- make it their scene This earth and it's treasures to THE CHILD we hand

With Education, determination, they really can't

In loving memory of a dear husband,

father, and grandfather George (Pont)

Gordon, who passed away, Jan. 8, 1979.

Deep in our hearts your memory is kept,

Always remembered by Mryt, Clayton,

Glorie, Rhonda and Gordon.

To love, to cherish and never forget.

A little tribute small and tender

Just to say we still remember.

go wrong. But let us not forget that they need to be guided No one ever grows without the need of chastisement;

So you parents hold on with a grin And hand out all your love

and care to the God given gift to you, the children.

The Child That God Lent

To Us

"I'll lend you for a while, a child of mine," God said. "For you to love the while he lives, and mourn for when he's dead." It may be 8 or 9 years, or twenty-three or four, but will you, till I call him back, take care of him for me? He will bring his charm to gladden your heart, and should his stay be brief, you'll have his lovely memories as a solace for your grief. I cannot promise he will stay since all from earth returns to me. There are lessons continued on page 8 Super

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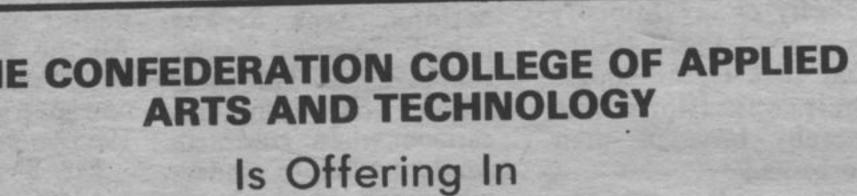


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Municipal councils, school boards, hydro-electric and public utilities commissions are all involved. Find out what's happening in your community and remember, as a citizen, you have an important role to play.



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Terrace Bay

GS 114 Introduction to Conversational French

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START DATE: Thursday, January 17, 1985 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Thursday, April 25/85 Roger Lanthier High School \$45 (plus text approx. \$20)

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