

"Old at 40, 50, 60?" — Man, You're Crazy

People over age 40 are getting at 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490, 500, 510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, 910, 920, 930, 940, 950, 960, 970, 980, 990, 1000.

VICTORIA THE VILLAGE BY THE SEA

Mr. Fenton Howatt, Summerside, spent the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Miss Annie MacDougall, Bank of Nova Scotia Victoria, spent the Christmas holidays happily at her home in Rose Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Cameron, Charlottetown were guests during Christmas Day at the home of Mrs. Cameron's parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Inman Victoria.

Mr. Linsley King, Sackville N. B., who has been a guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Head The Manse, Hampton, assisted at all the services in the Hampton United Church last Sunday.

Mrs. Donald Murchison, Victoria has returned home after spending an enjoyable three weeks visit with her sister Mrs. John Walker and family Cape Traverse.

Miss Eva MacLeod, Laboratory Technician of the Provincial Sanatorium, Charlottetown, and whose home in Victoria, spent the Christmas holidays very pleasantly in Liverpool N. S. guest of her aunt Mrs. George Milford, Mr. Milford and family.

Miss Kathleen MacDonald of the E. P. Office of the T. Eaton Co. Moncton N. B. spent the festive Christmas season very happily guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Emerson MacDonald Victoria.

Mrs. L. D. MacLeod Victoria spent the past few days in Albany guest of her son Mr. Lester MacLeod and Mrs. MacLeod.

Mrs. (Dr.) W. H. Dougherty, Victoria has gone to Montreal where she will be the guest for some time of her daughter Mrs. James Taylor, Mr. Taylor and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester MacLeod and young daughter Dorothy of Albany spent Christmas Day very pleasantly in Victoria guests of Mr. MacLeod's parents Mr. and Mrs. L. D. MacLeod and family Victoria. — V —

Students spending happy Christmas holidays at their homes here are as follows: Misses Verna and Donald MacLeod, Miss Betty Dunsford and Mr. Lyman Wood Francis of Wales Charlottetown, Mr. David Boswell Mount Allison University Sackville N. B. and Miss Ruthie Boswell Summerside High School.

Mr. Wilnot MacDonald, Capraud, received the sad news recently of the sudden passing of his brother-in-law Mr. P. H. Crass in Marlboro Mass. He was the husband of Mr. MacDonald's sister Miss Phoebe MacDonald who is kindly remembered in Victoria and surrounding districts and who will sympathize deeply with them in this their hour of sorrow.

Miss Edith Inman R. N. and Miss Olive Holm, Nurses Aid, Provincial Sanatorium Charlottetown were guests during the Christmas festive season at the home of Miss Inman's parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Inman, Victoria. Miss Holm also visited at the home of friends Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Wright while here.

Miss Kattie Rogerson St. John N. B. was a visitor during the Christmas Season at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Parker J. Rogerson Victoria. Other guests at their home during the Yuletide was their daughter Mrs. Spurgeon MacLennan, Mr. MacLennan and family, Charlottetown and Mr. L. Taylor St. John N. B.

Victoria rink opened for the season on Christmas night under the capable management of Mr. Edward Wood. This announcement should gladden the hearts of the youth and beauty of Victoria and surrounding districts and many of the older folk as well, who still manifest a keen interest in hockey and the much loved sport skating.

Following is the Christmas Concert Programme given in the hall Monday evening December 22nd by the school children:

Chorus — The Sweet Bells of Christmas. Recitation — Welcome by Charles Boutler.

Solo — When the Angels Turn The Lights Out In Heaven by Ramon Miller.

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Chinese Communists Pose Big Problem For U. S. Planners

BY JAMES D. WHITE

(Associated Press News Analyst) Chinese Communists pose a vastly bigger problem for United States policy framers than does the handful of Greek guerrillas who have set up a separate government in Northern Greece.

For 20 years the Chinese Communists have been operating independently, but, unlike the Greeks, they have been careful to maintain a perhaps fictional but nevertheless paper identity as an integral part of the republic.

Despite two decades of delaying or fighting the Central Chinese Government they still figure themselves part of China.

This does not mean they are not Communists. They are. However, Moscow has called them "erratic communists," and the Moscow radio mentions only now and then — and briefly — the doings of this largest body of Communists in the world outside Russia.

Certainly Red China follows Moscow's propaganda line, but students have noted it does so largely on non-Chinese affairs. It puts its own twist on Chinese affairs, including relations with other countries, such as the United States.

Thus the latest Chinese Communist policy statement, broadcast Oct. 10, lambasted Chiang Kai-Shek but noticeably toned down when talking about the American aid which has helped to keep his Nanking Government going.

At the same time the Moscow press and radio was throwing the book at the United States.

The commonly supposed reason for this difference is that China's Red leaders realize they must — even if they win their civil war against Chiang — get along with the rest of the world, and that China will need American help no matter who is running the country.

More immediately, vituperation at this point might only encourage further American aid to Chiang.

There is an historic factor at work here, however.

The fact is that there now are two generations of Chinese Communists. The older generation — men like chairman Mao Tse-Tung and General Chen Zeh — are experienced men and still run Red China. Thus far nothing has been found in their record (including the way the Russians let Chinese Communists pick up Japanese arms in Manchuria) to show that they want China to be anything but fully independent — although naturally on excellent terms with Russia.

Increasingly, however, they are running Red China through a younger generation of Chinese who have joined since the Red regime attained stability at Yenan in 1935.

These boys and girls went to Yenan to fight Japan. They went in disillusionment with nationalist Nanking and the democracies of the west. Some went during the war, and still more have gone since the war ended.

Motion Song — Hush-A-Bye. Recitation — Why Is It? by Garry MacLean. Dialogue — Monologue — Sizin up the Crowd by Roma Sherrin.

Solo — Christmas Lullaby by Marion Kaye. Recitation — A Tall Boy's Troubles by Gordon Miller. Exercise — The Little Rebels. Solo — The Road To The Isles by Bryce Boswell.

Recitation — Daddy, Isn't Santa Claus by Dale Sherrin. Old Fashioned Barn Dance by the junior pupils. Dialogue — Photographer's Trouble.

Camp Fire. Closing Chorus — Here Comes Santa Claus. Santa Claus appears on the scene, to distribute gifts. National Anthem — God Save The King.

Residents of Victoria and Capraud learned with regret of the death in the Prince County Hospital on Friday December the 5th of William Albert MacKay after a brief period of illness.

The late Mr. MacKay was born in Capraud in the year of 1870 a son of Alexander MacKay and his wife Jimmie Rogerson. Early in life he showed a keen interest in ships and engineering and when a young man received the necessary training to obtain his marine engineering certificate and served on different steamers sailing out of different ports in this Island and elsewhere. Steamers on which he served on were the C. G. S. "Siam" and "Minto," and the P. E. Steam Navigation Co's steamers "Princess" and "Northumberland," and the Car Ferry "Prince Edward Island." After the death of his mother in 1936 he retired from service. He was unmarried. His funeral which was held on Monday afternoon December 8th at the Presbyterian Church Summerside was officiated over by the pastor Rev. Charles Carnegie who also conducted the burial service at the Peoples Cemetery. Mr. MacKay was a splendid citizen a kind hearted neighbor and friend, a devoted son and will be much missed by a host of relatives and friends here and elsewhere. He was a frequent visitor to Victoria in the summer months each year and his memory will ever be cherished by those who had the privilege of his acquaintance. To the sorrowing relatives the sincere sympathy of the people of Victoria is extended.

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Left Wing May Trouble Labor Party

By JAMES McCOOK

LONDON, Jan. 5 — (GP) — Maurice Webb, 43, chairman of the parliamentary Labor Party, probably sees storms ahead when he studies the political forecasts for 1948.

The organization of the nine-country Cominform (Communist Information Bureau) to associate the policies of the European Communist parties, the British Communists' declaration of "war" on the Labor Party program and the increased heat of the Communist campaign throughout Europe all have warnings for energetic journalist Webb who tries to keep nearly 400 Labor members of the House of Commons in line.

He has no concern with the two Communist members of parliament who have stood faithfully by their party policies whatever they be. But he has anxiety over Labor members who often indicate that while they are not Communists by name they are at least fellow-travellers.

None is sure of their number but estimates often range from 30 to 50. There may be a solid core of between 10 and 20 who favor policies so close to Communist that they can be called bright pinks. Others support the leftist elements on particular subjects

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U. S. Metal Industry Set New Record

CLEVELAND, Jan. 4 — (AP) — The United States metal-working industry last year set a peacetime record of 80,000,000 in dollar volume of total production, the magazine Steel said today.

The trade magazine forecast the 1948 output would be about the same in physical volume with a slight increase in dollar volume as a result of higher prices.

"Manpower and material shortages will again be the limiting factors in 1948," Steel added, "although some strides will be made in closing the gap."

"That balance may be as little as 12 months or as much as 24 months away. Steel production in 1948 should hit close to 85,000,000 tons, more than a 1,000,000 over the 1947 figure."

Although 3,000,000 tons capacity each for ingots, pig iron and coke are being added, the trade publication said, shortages of scrap and transportation facilities will prevent full utilization during the year.

THE WHEATLEY RIVER W. M. S. The December meeting of the W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Norman and Mrs. Melvin Ling on Wednesday evening December 17th, with the president Mrs. Raegh Barrett in the chair.

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Report for December. Grade VIII — 1, Diana Thomas; 2, Josie Duffy; 3, Eileen Conway. Grade VII — 1, Gerald Murphy. Grade IV — 1, Norman Arsenault; 2, Lewis Walsh. Highest average — Diane Thomas 91.5. Perfect Attendance — Dianne

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