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THE PRIME MINISTER and Mrs. John Diefenbaker hang a holly wreath, which had been wired from the holly orchards of Vancouver Island, on the door of 24 Sussex, Ottawa. The picture is being used for the Prime Minister's Christmas card.
—Photo by Malak, Ottawa.

Eisenhower issues world call for open, peaceful partnership

West's plan better than co-existence

WASHINGTON (AP)—Mankind needs an open and peaceful partnership instead of a bare coexistence, President Eisenhower said Wednesday in his annual Christmas message.

The best way America can contribute to such a goal, he said, is to give needy nations the right sort of help in the right sort of spirit.

The president delivered his message at ceremonies opening Washington's annual Christmas pageant. As part of the observance, he pressed a switch illuminating a Christmas tree in aa park adjoining the White House grounds.

RECALLS TRIP

Speaking 18 hours after his return from a trip that took him to Africa, Asia and Europe, Eisenhower addressed his remarks to his fellow countrymen and "workers for a just peace wherever you may be in the world, whatever your race or flag or tongue or creed."

The president said "Our concept of the good life for humanity does not require an inevitable conflict between peoples and systems—in which one must triumph over the other."

"Nor does it offer merely a bare coexistence as a satisfactory state for mankind. After all, an uneasy coexistence can be as barren and sterile, joyless and stale a life for human beings as the coexistence of cellmates in a penitentiary or labor camp."

CONTINUED AID

America's best interests, he said, require continued financial investment in and aid to underdeveloped nations. All other free nations must be persuaded to join in such efforts to the limit of their ability, he added.

"This is not a matter of charity for the poverty-stricken nor of easing our conscience through doles for the distressed," Eisenhower said. "The help we give to our friends is help and strength for the cause of freedom. . . ."

Christmas Roundup

Single men, who are alone over the holiday, will be able to enjoy a full Christmas dinner tomorrow.

A group of city residents, who are concerned about the welfare of such men, has made arrangements with the Grand Cafe, to stage a Christmas dinner there for single men between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. tomorrow.

The group wishes to remain anonymous.

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OTTAWA (CP) — Governor-General Vanier has sent a telegram of Christmas wishes to Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip. The message text released today said:

"With my humble duty I beg to send to Your Majesty and His Royal Highness, on behalf of your Canadian people, heartfelt good wishes at Christmas and for happiness in the New Year. We shall long remember your presence amongst us last summer, when all Canadians manifested with such warmth their loyalty and affection."

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METZ, France (CP)—The RCAF said today that personnel of the European air division have donated a total of $2,495 to the flood-stricken town of Frejus on the French Riviera.

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DUNELLEN, N.J. (AP) — Santa Claus arrived by train at the big R. Hoe and Company plant Wednesday with a sack containing $100 in bills and change collected from passengers aboard a Reading Railroad commuter train. Santa was Walker W. Stevenson, a Wall Street broker. The money was the commuters' "thank you" to a group of workers at the printing press factory who regularly wave greeting to the train as it passes each morning.

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PEBBLE BEACH, Calif (AP) — John N. Dolan, 55, Finished stringing the lights on his outdoor Christmas tree, and he was proud of his work.

He walked from his home, bordering a cliff overlooking the Pacific, to get a better view of the tree. He took several steps backward to get an even better view.

Dolan, brought to hospital from the base of the cliff, was treated for several cracked ribs.

Give up party

PENTICTON (CP) — Clarke's Building Supplies has donated $500 to the Salvation Army Christmas fund instead of holding an office party. The Clarke mill is located at nearby Yellow Lake.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

THRONGS NEAR BETHLEHEM

Moslems, Jews unite to assist pilgrims

BETHLEHEM, Jordan (Reuters) — The dusty road to Bethlehem was thronged with pilgrims today as thousands of Christians prepared to celebrate Christ's birthday in the place where he was born.

This easy-going Arab town, 11 miles south of Jerusalem inside Jordan, came to life for the annual festival when morning mists lifted from the fortress-like basilica standing over the grotto, designated as the place where Mary laid her child in a manger.

The first glimpse pilgrims trudging south from Jerusalem had of the Biblical town was of a serene community nestled between two hills.

The bazaars are open and will not close till Christmas night.

Thousands came from distant lands by air. But many families crossed the Israeli-Jordanian border, open only at this time of year to Christians, to make the last part of the journey on foot.

The Christmas spirit infected even Moslems and Jews on each side of the war-scarred no-man's-land in divided Jerusalem.

For once in the year the two sides co-operated to help pilgrims pass through the Mandelbaum Gate and make their pilgrimage to Bethlehem.

Hostile throughout the rest of the year, Israelis and Jordanians mingled freely in the square around the gate. Soldiers pitched tents on both sides of it to serve as temporary customs and visa checkpoints.

Christian priests and nuns in cassocks and robes, aged Arab Christians from Galilee in flowing white headdresses, townsmen wearing the traditional red fez, khaki-clad Arab and Israeli officers and women dressed Western-style in bright dresses and spike-heeled shoes created a colorful pageant.

Many foreign pilgrims are making their base in Jerusalem's up-to-date hotels because there is still no room in the inns of Bethlehem.

Roman Catholic Christmas celebrations will be climaxed with midnight mass at the Church of St. Catherine, which forms part of the Church of the Nativity.

In Israel, a midnight mass will be held for the first time in Nazareth at St. Joseph's Church near the site of the annunciation.

Protestants of many denominations, meantime, will gather in Jerusalem's big YMCA building for a Christmas Eve carol service.

Mrs. E. Angus of Kincolith dies aged 83

Mrs. Ellen Angus, Kincolith woman with four children, 32 grandchildren, 72 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren, died this morning in Miller Bay Indian hospital following a lengthy illness. She was 83.

Mrs. Angus was an active worker in the Women's auxiliary of Christ church, Kincolith, throughout the years.

She was predeceased by her husband William Angus in 1932.

Surviving daughters are Mrs. Herbert (Edith) Doolan, Mrs. Hubert (Sarah) Barton of Kincolith and Mrs. Nellie Barton of Prince Rupert and one son Ernest Angus of Kincolith.

Funeral arrangements are in the hands of Ferguson Funeral Home.

Road cleared

CANOE (CP)—Highways department crews Wednesday cleared a road on the north shore of Shuswap Lake where tons of rock crashed down from Mount Vella Tuesday. A spokesman said the serious threat of more slides had passed. The road blockage had isolated eight families in the area.

Prince Rupert has now gone 342 days without a fatal traffic accident.

WEATHER—

Cloudy with occasional showers. Winds southeast 20 tonight and Friday. Low tonight and high Friday 35 and 42.

TIDES—

Friday, Dec. 25, 1959
(Pacific Standard Time)

High	09:08	20.2 feet
	22:01	17.4 feet
Low	02:37	7.8 feet
	15:51	5.8 feet

City youths to attend 'parliament'

Three Prince Rupert boys will be among 65 youths from all over British Columbia who will take part in the 29th sessions of the Older Boys' Parliament in Victoria December 27 to 31.

Leaving here Saturday by Canadian Pacific Airlines via Terrace for Vancouver and the capital, are Ernest and Robert Hill sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill, 1337 First Overlook Street, and Donald Grantham, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Grantham, 629 Sixth Avenue West.

Ernest Hill, 19, will represent Hartley Bay, Robert Hill, 17, "Hi-C" and Donald Grantham, 18, First United Church.

The parliament, held in the legislative chambers, will be one of seven meetings in Canada during the holiday season.

Dean Brian W. Whitlow of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, will act as lieutenant-governor while Michael Sinclair of Vancouver will be premier.

City fisherman dies aged 70

A resident of the Pioneer Home Anton Anderson, 70, died this morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital.

Born in Norway, Mr. Anderson came to Prince Rupert in 1921 and was a fisherman until his retirement in 1951.

There are no known relatives. Funeral arrangements are in the hands of Ferguson Funeral Home.

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FAMILY YULETIDE

Press lets PM enjoy Christmas homecoming

WINNIPEG (CP)—The tall man in the black overcoat and grey homburg, like the hundreds of other travellers milling about Union Station Wednesday night, was simply heading home for Christmas.

"I always try to spend Christmas in the west," said Prime Minister Diefenbaker. "That's where my home is, and many of my friends."

But nothing is done simply when you're prime minister, even at this season. By the time the CNR Supercontinental pulled into the station at 10 p.m., a small group of politicians, reporters, photographers and well-wishers had gathered on the platform.

The door of the car at the end of the train opened slightly.

"My goodness," said Mrs. John Diefenbaker. "We didn't know anyone would be waiting for us."

In a few minutes, the prime minister and his wife stepped down from their private car. Greetings were exchanged, flash-bulbs blazed and reporters stood on the fringes of the crowd, pencils poised.

For once, the reporters were different. It somehow didn't seem right to talk about tight money, farm problems and NATO only a few hours before Christmas Eve.

The prime minister noticed the small group of reporters and photographers and walked over to shake hands and wished them a "Merry Christmas."

"It certainly is nice to get away for a few days," he said.

"We'll be spending Christmas day in Saskatoon with my mother and brother and then we'll go to Prince Albert. I guess we'll hold sort of an open house there for our friends on Boxing Day."

He intends to return to Ottawa Sunday.

Impaired drivers to be target in safety drive

Members of the City's RCMP detachment will display a certain amount of Christmas spirit over the holiday but that is all.

"We will show an understanding heart and some leniency for the WALKING intoxicated person, but will show no mercy on the IMPAIRED DRIVER," Staff-Sgt. W. J. Currie, NCO in charge of the City RCMP detachment said today.

He said that police patrols will be increased tonight in an effort to ensure "a safe and merry Christmas."

Trains normal

VANCOUVER (CP) — Normal traffic resumed on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Wednesday morning following a derailment 24 hours before at Angus Mac, about 50 miles north of Prince George. Cause of the derailment is still being investigated.

ALBERNI (CP)—Rain in this area during the last week totalled 5.28 inches, with December 13 one of the wettest days of year when 3.16 inches fell. Total this year is about 23 inches less than the 88.75 inches recorded in the same period last year.

Bingo draw

Drawn today for the Elks "March of Dimes" house Bingo was the number **N-45.**

Proceeds from the bingo go to the British Columbia Children's Hospital.

Other numbers drawn to date are: **B-12; B-6; B-11; G-59; G-48; I-28; O-61; N-32; O-74; I-21; B-8; N-31; N-36; G-52; N-43; I-19; N-37; G-51; I-27; N-42; I-20; G-50; O-75; I-25; N-34; O-69; I-18; B-7; I-20; O-68; G-47; B-5; O-72; N-41; B-1; I-23; B-4; I-17; G-46; O-67; B-15; B-12; N-35; and G-49.**

SANTA WARNS BOYS, GIRLS NOT TO STAY AWAKE TONIGHT

THE EDITOR,
THE DAILY NEWS
GREETINGS AND COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.

WILL YOU PLEASE NOTIFY ALL THE CHILDREN OF PRINCE RUPERT THAT I WILL BE ARRIVING OVER YOUR FAIR CITY THE MOMENT THEIR EYES CLOSE IN SLEEP. WILL NOT BE COMING A MOMENT SOONER. LAST YEAR TWO BOYS OUT AT SEAL COVE AND A LITTLE GIRL IN SECTION TWO DELAYED ME ABOUT HALF AN HOUR BY TRYING TO STAY AWAKE TO SEE ME. IT CAN'T BE DONE.

HAVE KEPT ACCURATE LIST OF WHO HAS BEEN GOOD DURING THE YEAR AND ALSO NOTICE THAT SOME FAMILIES ARE LARGER THAN AT LAST CHRISTMAS. TELL MICHAEL, SHEILA AND MARIANNE THAT I WON'T FORGET PATRICIA AND THE SAME GOES FOR RANDY, PATTY, STEVIE, ROBBIE, SANDRA AND THEIR NEW SISTER GLORIA. THEN THERE'S THE OTHER HUNDREDS I'LL BE CALLING ON SOME OF WHOM I CAN REMEMBER WITHOUT LOOKING AT MY LIST SUCH AS CRAIG AND RICKY; DARLENE AND LINDA; DOUG AND CAROL; JAN AND WAYNE AND OF COURSE TRUDY.

WELL, I'VE GOT TO FINISH PACKING MY SLEIGH AND I'M ALL SET. NO JET-PLANE FOR ME. MY REINDEERS ARE GOOD ENOUGH AND QUIETER TOO. AM SENDING THIS PRESS RATE COLLECT. HOPE YOU DON'T MIND.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT.

SANTA CLAUS,
NORTH POLE.