



FROM HOME—Children of RCAF personnel serving at the Canadian air base at North Luffenham, Rutland, England, and the Christmas tree at the nearby Edith Weston village. The boy standing is Giles Bisson, 8, son of LAC Lucky of Ottawa and Quebec City; smaller girl is Patricia, 8, daughter of Sgt. E. W. Shepherd of Saskatoon and his wife Joy Anne McInnes, daughter of FO Gordon McInnes. (CP PHOTO)

Social

at Home

Rupert Club members held their annual Christmas party last night when there was a turnout to exchange gifts and enjoy the season in informal fashion. Close to 100 guests were present in appropriate to the season. The occasion. Delicious refreshments were served. Commemorative charge consisted of W. J. McLaren, T. M. and A. B. Brown.

Readers

Christmas dance Friday, December 28, 10-2 a.m. (302c)

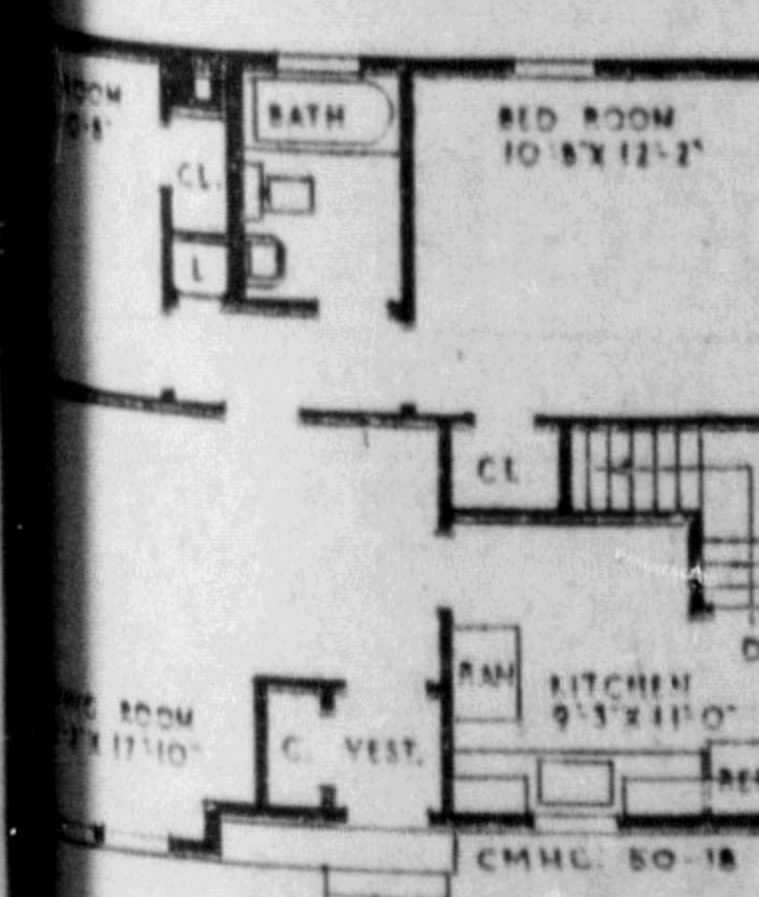
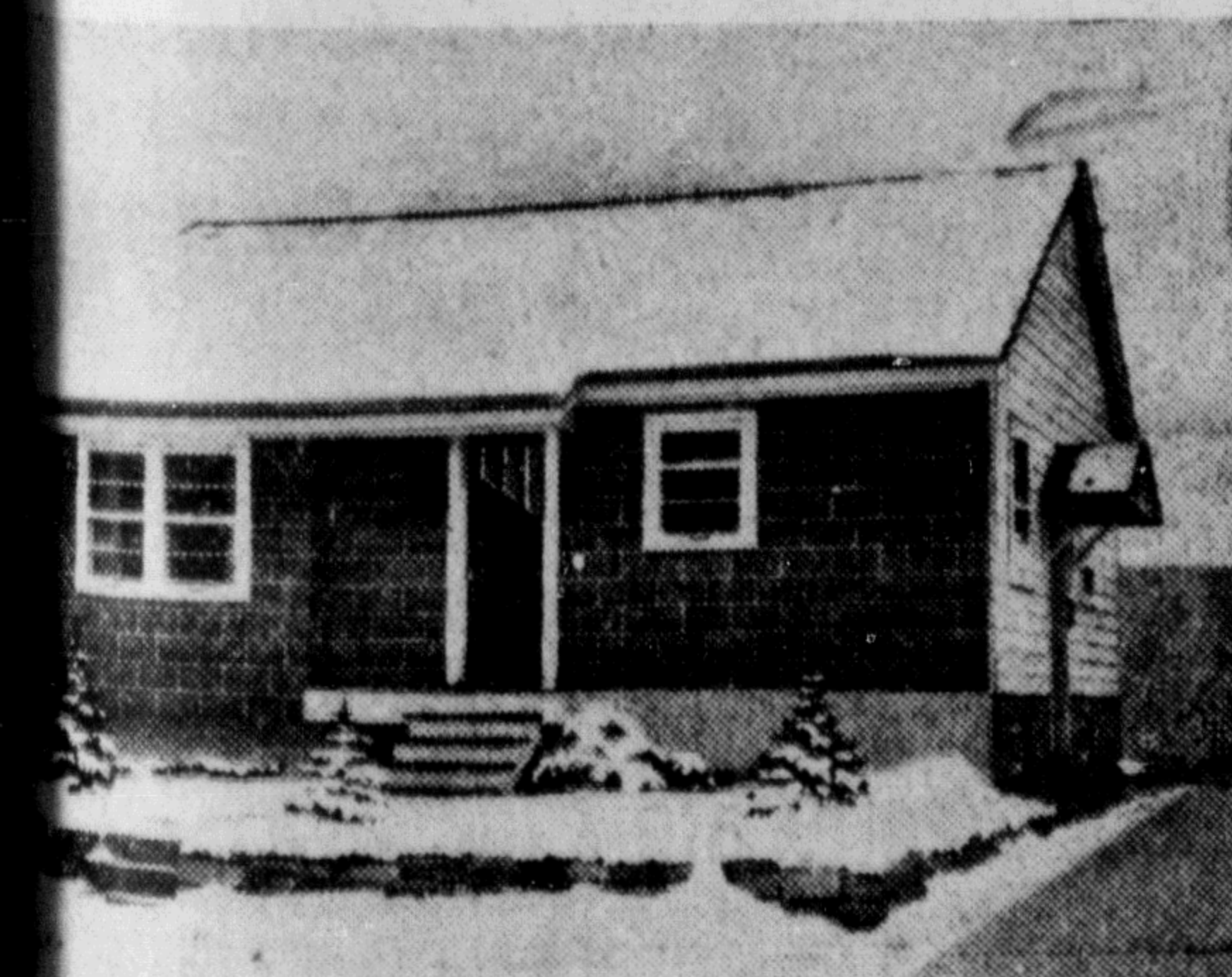
Children's Christmas party, December 28, 2 p.m. (1tc)

Operating Engineers, Local 10, Christmas party, Friday, December 28, 8 p.m. (302c)

Note. Members only admitted to Moose Club Christmas Eve. No guests. (304c)

Rupert Gyro Club's Christmas party was postponed Monday yesterday until today when the proceedings featured by an exchange of gifts between members.

H.A. DESIGN-OF-THE-MONTH



This bungalow provides a very comfortable home for a small family. It has an interesting exterior appearance and a well designed floor plan which makes excellent use of all available space—an item to interest many prospective house builders. The large living room provides adequate space for family activities. As shown in the sketch of the floor plan there is room for a breakfast table in the kitchen while careful arrangement of living room furniture would allow space for dining on special occasions. The window arrangement in the master bedroom, the living room and the kitchen. The window over the kitchen sink provides bright light for the counter area. There is direct access to the basement from the side grade entrance. Arrangement simplifies carrying out ashes or bringing in supplies. It overcomes traffic through the kitchen or other parts of the house. The house is 30 feet by 24 feet and, for estimating purposes, the area is 720 square feet and cubic contents 15,228 cubic feet.

Musicals Popular

Broadway Audiences in Mood To Be Amused

By GLADYS LENNON
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NEW YORK (CP)—Broadway audiences in 1951 were in a mood to be amused—preferably by music—and a variety of light musical fare was offered them. Foremost of the year's musicals, Rogers and Hammerstein's "The King and I," opened in late March with a fine cast headed by Gertrude Lawrence and Yul Brynner. Based on Margaret Landon's novel, "Anna and the King of Siam," it concerns the experiences of a young Englishwoman who went to Siam in the early 1860s to teach the king's children.

More recent popular musicals are "Top Banana," starring Phil Silvers as a former burlesque comedian in television, and "Paint Your Wagon," a fast-moving show in western mining-camp setting.

George Abbott's production of "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," based on the Betty Smith novel, brought laurels to Shirley Booth, a seasoned actress in her first musical-comedy role, for her portrayal of Aunt Cissy.

Holidovers in the musical field are "South Pacific"—now past its 1000th performance—with Martha Wright replacing Mary Martin, and Roger Rico, bass from the Paris Grand Opera, in the role originally played by Ezio Pinza; "Guys and Dolls," based on a Damon Runyan story; and Irving Berlin's "Call Me Madam," starring Ethel Merman.

The demand for light musical fare showed up, too, at the Metropolitan Opera House in sold-out houses for performances of "Die Fledermaus," one of Rudolf Bing's additions to the repertory in his first season as general manager. Its popularity encouraged Bing, enterprising successor to Edward Johnson of Guelph, Ont., to form a second Met company to take the Strauss opera on tour.

Among additions to the Met roster in the current season is Montreal-born baritone George London. Recently with the Vienna State Opera, he made his Met debut on opening night as Amonasro in a completely revamped production of "Aida."

Critical comment was scarce, but Virgil Thomson of the New York Herald-Tribune acclaimed him for "beauty of voice, perfection of musical style and a stage power—both by personal presence and by dramatic skill—of the very first order."

Non-musical comedies which survived the summer doldrums and are continuing are F. Hugh Herbert's "The Moon Is Blue," starring Barbara Bel Geddes as a young girl on a pick-up date; "Stalag 17," a comedy melodrama of life in a Second World War prison camp, and last year's hit, "Affairs of State."

A fall success is "The Fourposter," a two-player comedy by Jan de Hartog in which the plot revolves around an ancient fourposter bed. Canadian-born Hume Cronyn and his real-life wife, Jessica Tandy, won plaudits for the "grace, skill and wit" with which they hold the audience. Of plays in serious vein, none achieved "hit" proportions. Most

Moose Xmas Whist Drive

Eleven tables were active in the "unofficial" whist drive at the Moose Hall Saturday night. Several presentations and drawings of food hampers were highlights of the evening.

Card winners were: Mrs. A. Norton and Mrs. O. Stegaviz, ladies' first and second; A. J. Croxford and John Mostad, men's first and second; B. J. Bacon, pool prize.

Mrs. Alice Good and Mrs. Irene Muncey were presented with gifts by Mr. Bacon on behalf of the Moose brothers in appreciation of their efforts in the whist drive. Mrs. G. J. Kieck, who assisted, also received a gift.

Successful in the draw were R. Giske, winner of a turkey; Mrs. H. Tweed, a ham; Mrs. Janet Walker, two chickens, and Steve Dziopka, a suckling pig. Next week will be another whist drive, but official tournament games are postponed until after the New Year.

Successful were Tennessee Williams' "The Rose Tattoo," which won the Antoinette Perry award as the outstanding play of the 1950-51 season, and Sidney Kingsley's "Darkness at Noon," an anti-communist drama based on an Arthur Koestler novel, starring Claude Rains.

The year marked the first Broadway performance of a professional drama in a church—Christopher Fry's "A Sheep of Prisons." Written for presentation in churches during the Festival of Britain and dealing with a group of prisoners of war housed in a church, it played a limited engagement here before starting a tour of United States and Canadian cities. The four-man cast included Toronto-born Don Harron, along with three members of the original English cast.

The presentation of most interest to Canadians, though among the year's shortest runs, was the English-language version of Gratien Gelinas' "Ti-Coc" which opened here in February after successful runs in Montreal, Toronto and Chicago.

Critics generally approved the acting of the French-Canadian cast, headed by Author-Director Gelinas—himself as Fridolin—in the title role, but the play drew adverse criticism, then a financial tangle led to closing after three performances of the first all-Canadian production on Broadway.

A musical drama by former-Winnipegger Cecil Broadhurst, "Jotham Valley," was presented for a short Broadway run by Moral Re-armament, Inc. with a cast including several Canadians. Critics refrained from comment other than characterizing it as frankly propaganda, seeming "a bit awkward surrounded by a successful commercial theatre."

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Local and PERSONAL

J. Poman and Henry Helin left by air today for Vancouver.

T. Wallace and Mr. Blackburn arrived yesterday from Stewart, on Queen Charlotte Airlines plane.

Allan Forman is home from his studies at the University of British Columbia, spending the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Forman.

Joe Slaggard, who suffered knee injury in a fall last week and had to be taken to hospital later, was able to leave the institution for home on Christmas Eve.

Miss Mary Armstrong, after visiting over Christmas with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Armstrong, is leaving by tomorrow's plane on her return to Vancouver.

Ted Forman arrived in the city on last night's train from his combined officers' studies at Royal Military College, Kingston. He is here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Forman.

Among those of the staff of the Miller Bay Hospital who have left to spend Christmas season with family and friends are Miss Betty Gallego, who flew to Toronto, Miss Reta Long to New Westminster, Miss Dorothy Hamblin to Vancouver, Miss Hylda Walker to Winnipeg, Mr. George Williamson to Gibson's and Mrs. Rosalind Biggs, who is taking her daughter from North Bay to New York for a music audition.

Old Sweats' Xmas Party

A Christmas Eve party for "old sweats" was enjoyed at the Canadian Legion auditorium by 25 First World War and Boer War veterans.

Turkey dinner and "trimmings" were served, with catering in charge of Mrs. J. S. Black, after which entertainment was provided by Jimmy Green and Mrs. Peggy Andrews. Community singing also was a feature of the evening.

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