

Local and PERSONAL

Noel Taylor of Masset, after spending a few days in the city, is returning to the Chilcotin tonight for his home on the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Ray Lindner, serving with the Canadian army at Churchill on Hudson Bay, arrived in the city during the week and is sailing tonight on the Chilcotin to spend Christmas and New Year holidays at Masset with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Lindner.

Local school pupils sailing tonight on the Chilcotin for their homes on the Queen Charlotte Islands to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays include Misses Andrea Stout and Anna Swan for Port Clements, Howard Lindsay, May Lindsay, Irene Lindsay, Marilyn Lindner and Margaret Adams for Masset.

Capt. and Mrs. A. F. Davidson and son left on today's plane for Victoria to spend Christmas and New Year holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Adkins, who have been visiting in the city, are returning tonight by the Chilcotin for their home at Masset.

F. A. Genin, engineer for Automatic Electric, who is making a survey of the local telephone system, left by today's plane for Vancouver enroute to Chicago to spend the Christmas holiday season at his home.

O. Stout of Port Clements, after a brief visit to the city, is sailing on the Chilcotin tonight for his home. Accompanying him is his daughter, Andrea, who attends school here and is going home for vacation.

Christianity Democratic

Christmas Spirit Progressive And Unlimited

The Christmas spirit is the forerunner of democracy; it is the spirit of progress and has no limitations.

Bishop J. B. Gibson held this theme in addressing a Rotary luncheon meeting yesterday as he called on the spirit with which Christmas was celebrated to make way for peace on earth.

"The world is a series of contradictions—of joy and sorrow, happiness and pain, peace and war. The beast is sharing the stall with the Babe—in these times we look onto the Christmas spirit for peace."

At Christmas time, differences are forgotten, and friends of long ago are remembered all over the world by a simple greeting card. This also indicated the real presence of the Christmas spirit, he said.

Bishop Gibson read partly a letter from Primate W. F. Barfoot, relating recent experiences in Korea when he visited Canadian troops. The Primate called Korea a place of more misery than was ever seen in history. He saw it as a place of hunger, poverty, filth and death, but wherever one saw a Canadian soldier, one also saw a crowd of hungry children waiting for something to eat.

And they got it, too. Canadian soldiers saved up their own rations to give to the starving Koreans.

"That also is the spirit born of Christmas," said Bishop Gibson. He asked all Rotarians to attend at least one Christmas church service of their own denomination.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bridden, after a visit to the city, are sailing tonight by the Chilcotin on their return to their home at Masset.

Don Prevost arrived yesterday by plane to spend the Christmas season with his mother, Mrs. W. McKinnley.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hayward and child left by air today for Vancouver to spend the Christmas and New Year holiday season visiting in Vancouver.



SEAWAY NEARS REALITY—The St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project moved a step nearer reality during 1951 with decision by the Canadian government to proceed with construction without aid of the United States. Legislation was passed by Parliament and a power agreement was signed with Ontario. Here Prime Minister St. Laurent, right, and Premier Frost of Ontario sign the agreement while Robert Saunders, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Commission, looks on. (CP PHOTO)

OVER SEVENTY
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Mrs. John Viereck being chosen president, and Mayor H. F. Glassey, vice-president.

Among the earliest pioneers who spoke for a short time was Mrs. Anderson, whose husband, the late P. W. Anderson, was a contractor here.

It was not until early in the evening that the assembly, which gathered at 2:30, finally broke up.

The number of old timers and friends who were present totaled 70.

Mr. Stephens, in the course of the proceedings, thanked Rev. L. G. Sieber for his courtesy in permitting use of the church hall. The pastor, who had pronounced grace, assured the club that they would be welcome again next year.

On the \$280 per capita taxation collected by Ottawa this year, \$110 is for defense spending and \$170 for other purposes.

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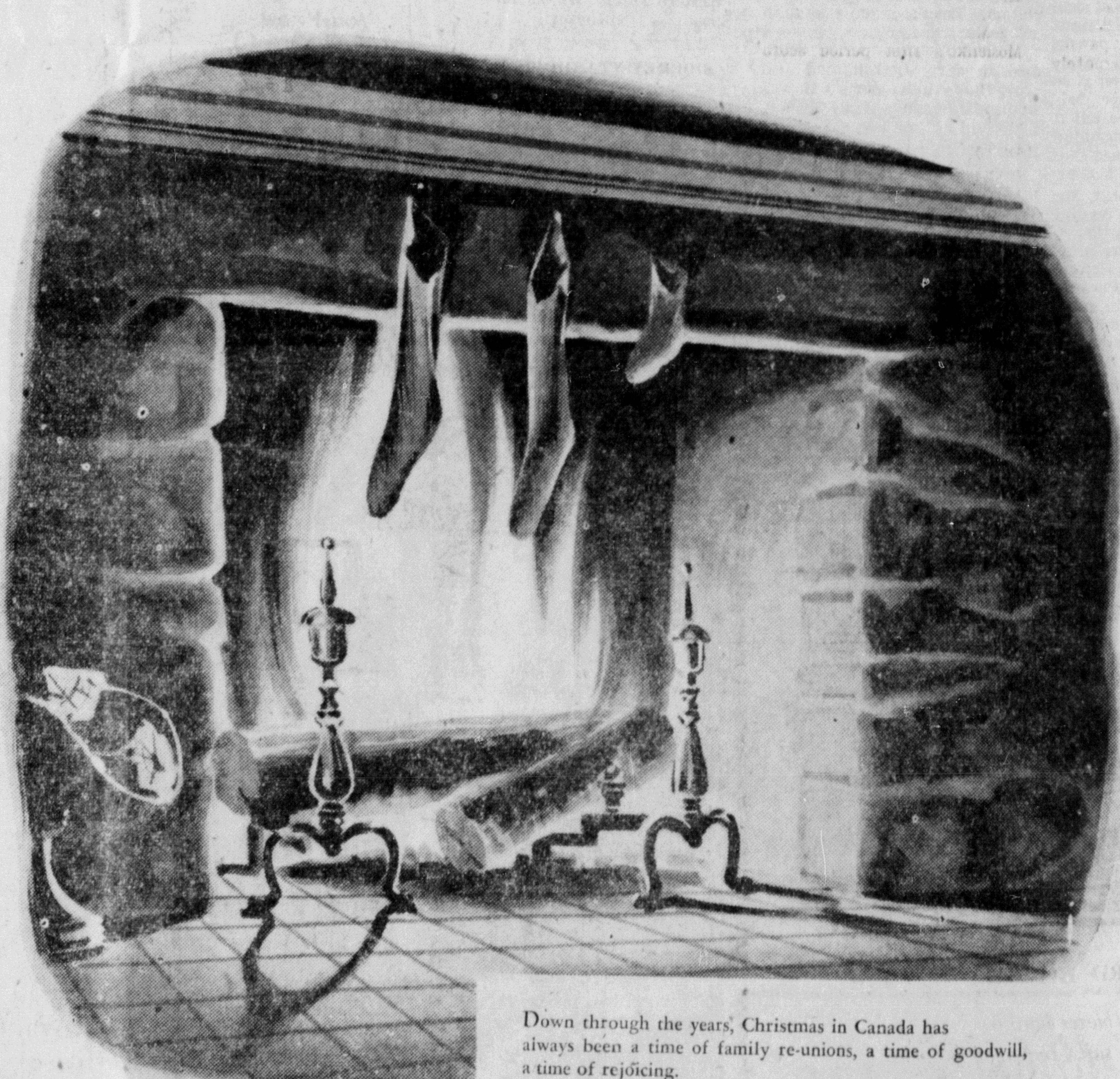
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As we celebrate Christmas this year, the great family of United Nations is gathered around the conference table to reach a goal of world understanding.

It is our fervent hope that the spirit of our Canadian Christmas—the spirit of peace and goodwill, will prevail. With this in their hearts, nations and peoples will resolve their differences and, once again, rejoice in "peace on earth, goodwill toward men".

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