

## Christmas Blessings

May your heart be filled with the rich blessings, and abiding love of the holiday.



**B. & J. RESTAURANT**

Alberton P. E. I.

## Federal Grants Due For Two Biographies

OTTAWA (CP)—Biographies of two famous Canadians are included on the list of literary works to be partly financed by the Centennial Commission under its publications assistance program, the commission has announced.

Dale C. Thompson, a professor of political science at the University of Montreal, will receive \$5,000 to write a biography of the Rt. Hon. Louis St. Laurent, former prime minister of Canada.

Mr. Thompson, former secretary to Mr. St. Laurent, also wrote a biography of Alexander Mackenzie, Canada's second prime minister. He has won three awards since its publication in 1960.

The aid of \$2,500 from the commission. Mr. McKerville is the author of a biography of Dr. G. E. Darby, famed British Columbia missionary doctor.

Murray D. Edwards is being granted \$2,000 to examine the theatre in Eastern Canada. A Canadian, Mr. Edwards is associate professor of speech and theatre at Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y.

Dr. Watson Kirkconnell, president emeritus of Acadia University, receives a \$2,000 grant to revise and update his history of Victoria County, Ontario.

**STUDY OF LITERATURE**

Grants of \$2,000 will go to Gilles Marcotte for a critical study of French-Canadian literature, and to freelance-writer Ruth G. Bailey for a book on B.C.'s best-loved sea captains and ships.

Lincoln K. Ingersoll of Grand Manan, N.B., will receive \$1,500 for a history of fishing and social conditions in Grand Manan Island and the Bay of Fundy area 1840-1867.

Frank Rasky of Toronto, former editor of Liberty magazine, has been awarded \$1,500 for "Romance of Canada's Wild West."

## Viet Cong Intelligence Far Outstrips American

By JOHN T. WHEELER  
SAIGON (AP)—Despite elaborate scientific gadgetry and a multiplicity of intelligence agencies, the U.S. military command is severely hampered by what one senior American officer calls gross ignorance of enemy movements and intentions.

Some U.S. military circles consider the intelligence gap to be a major weakness of the allied war plan to defeat the growing enemy military machine in South Vietnam.

Countless U.S. and South Vietnamese military operations launched on intelligence supposedly pinpointing enemy battalions and regiments have been little more than roundhouse punches into thin air.

The Viet Cong guerrillas and North Vietnamese units seem to be everywhere and nowhere.

On the other hand, enemy intelligence is rated as excellent by U.S. military sources. The Viet Cong's ability to ambush South Vietnamese and now American units at the time and place of the enemy's choosing is frequently shown.

every level of the South Vietnamese military. This includes intelligence agencies and the groups charged with planning and executing military operations.

The enemy, particularly the home-grown Viet Cong, also can count on the rural population for intelligence, whether it is given out of fear or to support the United States has developed a number of highly-classified electronic means to search out Viet Cong units in the jungle. Often they come up with different answers for the location of the enemy.

The very number of American and South Vietnamese intelligence agencies sometimes has proved detrimental. Rivalries are fierce. Often the necessary pieces of a puzzle are held by different units but are not put together until it is too late because the units do no exchange information rapidly.

Intelligence sources also claim vital information sometimes is disregarded until too late because it does not fit in with previous notions of enemy tactics.

"What's the answer?" One highly-placed U.S. source said. "The man who finds it will be the real hero of this war."

## Possibilities Of Pictures Outstanding At Christmas

Children are at the centre of Christmas, still. From the time that breath begins to frost in the December air, a child's world bursts with the anticipation of excitement ahead.

Now is the time to load your camera in readiness to catch the wondrous expressions of the Yuletide season. There is nothing more likely to keep the memories of Christmas alive than a picture story of children at this happy time of year.

Children are at the centre of Christmas, still. From the time that breath begins to frost in the December air, a child's world bursts with the anticipation of excitement ahead.

Now is the time to load your camera in readiness to catch the wondrous expressions of the Yuletide season. There is nothing more likely to keep the memories of Christmas alive than a picture story of children at this happy time of year.

To record all the magic of a child's Christmas set your camera to work recording the festive preparations. The Christmas tree, for example, can record a series of treasured pictures - chopping it down in the bush or buying it on a corner lot, hauling it home through the snow, setting it up, decorating, lighting and placing the gifts under it.

The children pondering their letter to Santa, shopping trips, wrapping the gifts, hanging stockings by the fireplace and sound asleep with visions of

sugar plums on Christmas eve can all be part of the picture story.

**ONCE-A-YEAR PICTURES**

When the long awaited day arrives, once-a-year-picture-taking opportunities come and go so quickly that it takes a keen eye to catch them all - the children's delighted expressions on Christmas morning, the excitement and hectic confusion when gifts are unwrapped, trying out new toys, the family leaving and returning from church and Christmas dinner with the whole family.

To make this year's Christmas pictures the best yet, there are a number of points to remember. Keep your camera handy and catch the picture opportunities as they happen. There is no need to become preoccupied with picture-taking to the point that you find yourself arranging groups of people in front of the camera. The activities that happen naturally will provide plenty of picture situations.

Pictures of people should be taken from as close as possible without eliminating any part of the subject or background which contributes to the overall composition and meaning. When photographing a child beside the Christmas tree, for instance, a few of the tree's lower branches will be as meaningful as would its full height.

For the best pictures of children, keep the camera at their level. This may mean bending, kneeling or even sprawling on the floor but the results will be worth it.

**EASY TO PHOTOGRAPH**

Children are usually easier to photograph than adults because they seem less self-conscious. Should you find them eyeing the camera's lens, enlist the help of someone to stand off in another direction and attract their attention.

Many of your Christmas pictures will be taken indoors with flash. Make sure that the batteries in your flash equipment are in good working order and that you have lots of bulbs or flashcubes depending on your type of camera.

**Good Cheer**  
**Happy Days**  
**Health**  
**Success**  
**Luck**

We're wishing that all good things may come your way this year, and for many, many years.

And to our fine patrons, our sincere thanks.

**Foley's Drugs**

Water St. Summerside

## GREETINGS

Carolers raise their voices in song, and we raise ours in thanks to all of you, our customers, for your patronage.

**BORDEN HARDWARE**

Borden P. E. I.



## GREETINGS

To all the messages of good cheer that ring out during this holiday season, we'd like to add our own, wishing you a very merry Christmas. May you find an abundance of the real joys of Christmas filling your heart and home, bringing you peace and contentment.

**CANADA PACKERS LTD.**

Harvard Street Summerside

## PM SUGGESTS REPORTING

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Pearson told an audience of reporters here that he would like to see a return to "good old-fashioned straight reporting of the facts" in Ottawa coverage.

"Too many reporters are becoming reviewers," he said. "Their stories are becoming an analysis rather than an account."

Mr. Pearson, speaking at a luncheon at the National Press Club of Canada, said the press, radio and television must meet the challenge of responsibility posed by the new and more complex problems of the day.

He contended that the more important issues of government are not given the attention they merit. The public could not be expected to make good decisions unless it had a clear picture of all the facts.

Without the facts, "ignorance and emotion" would decide the main public issues of the day.

Mr. Pearson said the emphasis in news is on "the pretty sensational stuff which often excites more than it informs."

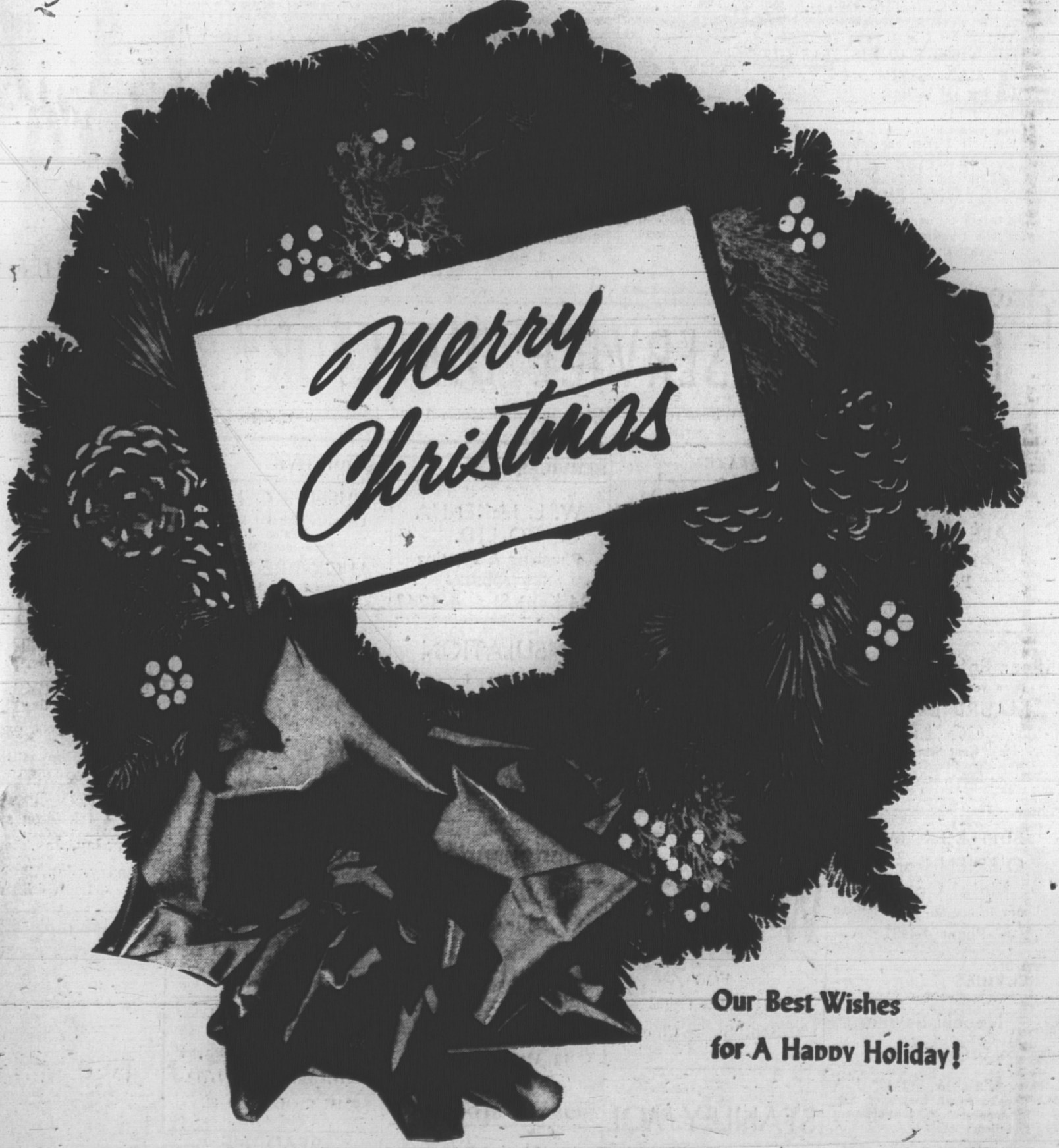


Lloyd Carew  
Hunter River P. E. I.



Season's Greetings from your  
**MONTAGUE FIRE DEPT.**

Please take precautions to make this a fire free Holiday Season



Our Best Wishes for A Happy Holiday!

**SEABROOK FARMS FROZEN FOODS LTD.**

New Annan P. E. I.