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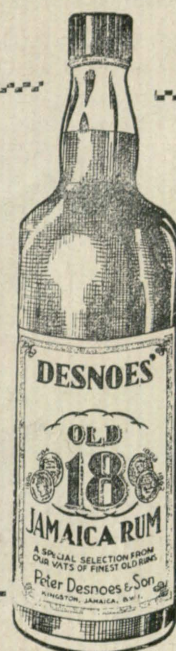
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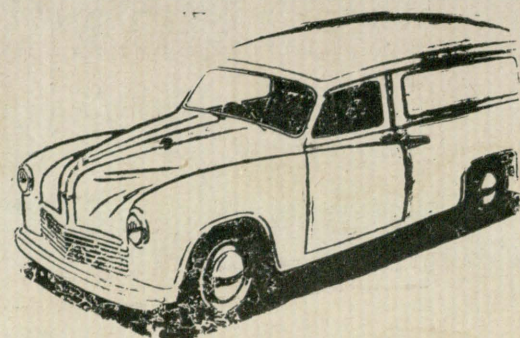
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C.A.C. New Year's Eve Dance

The Chinese Athletic Club will be staging their usual New Year's Eve dance which has for the past twelve years become a traditional "Must" for the Club's many members and friends. This year, however, it will be held at the Chinese Public School where a special dance floor has been constructed for the occasion — a temporary measure until the Club moves into its own Five-acre grounds on Derrymore Road, donated by the late Mr. Alexander Tie Tenquee. The new, modern clubhouse is expected to be ready by July of next year.

The Committee is sparing no effort to make this year's New Year's Eve dance even more memorable than those of previous years. A well known and popular Orchestra has already been engaged to provide the musical background (and that indefinable but beautiful spirit of Auld Lang Syne usually associated with the club's New Year's Eve celebrations). Prizes and other surprises have not been neglected and particular emphasis is being placed on catering and other services in an effort to surpass all previous records.

Proceeds will go towards providing for additional amenities in the new clubhouse where the comfort and convenience of members and their friends will be the main concern.

Henderson Young Elected Worshipful Master

At a recent election of officers of the Harmony Lodge 3603 at district No. 14, Mr. Henderson Young of Lucea was elected Worshipful master. The installation ceremony took place on Thursday December 18 at the Masonic Temple in Lucea.

KPH Wins Community Store Novel C.C.

The Kingston Public Hospital Cricket Team emerged victors in the Community Store Novel Cricket Competition when they defeated The Rest on Sunday, December 14, at Kensington Park. The presentation of the cup was made by His Honour Mr. L. L. Murad, Resident Magistrate of Kingston. Mr. Horace Chang was M.C.

COVER GIRL

Charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chin Fook of 8 Hope Road, St. Andrew, Dorothy is a former student of Hampton School, Malvern. She is a student of the ballet and a tennis enthusiast. A lover of the outdoors she takes a lively interest in net ball as well. Dorothy celebrated her eighteenth birthday recently and now assists in her father's business. Her elder sister Margaret is at present vacationing in Canada and she is eagerly awaiting her turn for travelling abroad in the coming year.

M.V. "Agamemnon" Arrives From Hong Kong

The Blue Funnel Liner, M.V. Agamemnon which was expected on Friday, December 12 arrived on Monday, December 15, with twenty-three passengers and docked at the United Fruit Company's No. 2 pier. A large group of relatives and friends were there to meet them.

Among those disembarking in Jamaica were Mesdames Lilian Agatha Wong Fook, Chin Nyet Tai, Qeung Wah Kim, Yong Yet Lan, Lan Suet Ying, Messrs. Phillip Yin, Wong Yuk Fung, Kisan Tjon Tsau Tien, Chung Kim Hung, Ivan George Chin, Li Sui Fu, Master Yin Cheung. In-

Chung-Lowe Nuptials

On Sunday December 14th at the Kingston Parish Church Mr. Richard Lowe of Frome, exchanged solemn nuptial vows with Miss Rose Chung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Chung of Morant Bay. Rev. Fr. H. C. Bateman performed the ceremony. She was given in marriage by her brother Mr. Eric Chung. Her only attendant was Miss Kathleen Chin. Bestman was Mr. Philbert Ying.

The reception which included a Chinese banquet was held at the Cathay Club where nearly two hundred guests gathered to wish long life, happiness and prosperity to the newlyweds. Mr. Jimmy Lowe was Master of Ceremonies. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Lowe, formerly of Darliston and is brother of Mr. Watson Lowe of Frome and of Mr. Jimmy Lowe of Port Antonio.

Engagement Announced

The betrothal of Miss Ivy Chang of St. Andrew to Mr. Gilbert Yee Keow of Frankfield was announced on Sunday, December 14 at a banquet given at the home of Mrs. Alberta Hoo of 26 Lady Musgrave Road, Half-Way-Tree. A large number of friends and relatives were present at this happy function. Speakers included Dr. S. E. Ferreira, Mr. S. C. Wright, Mr. Arthur Yoo Chung and Mr. Yee Keow.

transit passengers were: Miss Alice Agnes, Miss Audrey Chin, Miss Chan Quen Fook, Miss Victoria DeLay, Mrs. Teresa Loung Wing, Messrs. Guillermo Ismael Wong Alvarado, Guillermo Bay Sanchez, Juan Antonio Choy Lay and infant for Cristobal and Messrs. Ho Kong Faf, Sjaw Yune Sang, and Mrs. Yong Yuet Lan for Surinam.

CPS Closes Successful Term

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chinese Public School was held on Thursday, December 18. Highlight of the meeting was an interesting and comprehensive report by the Headmaster, Mr. Gai Eaton, on the work and progress of the school during the term just ended.

Among those present were: Rev. Fr. Leo T. Butler, S.J., and Mr. Norman S. Jackson, M.A. (Oxon) former Headmaster of Cornwall College and now Headmaster of Wolmer's School who made considerable contributions to the discussion from the wealth of their teaching experience.

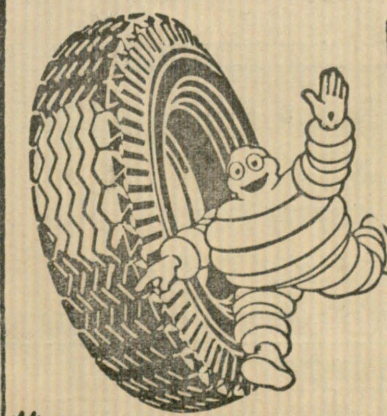
Mr. Stephen Yap, B.Sc., was Chairman. Others present were: Messrs Lenny Chin Yee, LL.B., Gladstone Chang, Willie Lyn Ah Woo, Chang Gin Sang, Arthur Chin Lenn, Cecil Chin Yee, Arthur Yap Chung, Horace Chang, Willie Chung, Wellington Wan and James Simm. Mr. Lyn Ah Woo also gave a very encouraging report on the finances of the school.



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Joy Moo Young In U.S. Collegiate Who's Who

In the news recently was Miss Joy Moo Young who left Jamaica in the latter part of 1950 for Lesley College in Cambridge, Massachusetts to pursue a course in Education. An outstanding student of the College, she is currently listed in America's Who's Who in Education—a select list of students in the field drawn from America's 650 colleges. She was recently presented with the new United Nation's flag as President of the International Relations Club of Lesley College. Miss Moo Young who is a graduate of Hampton School, Malvern, is a former teacher of Alpha Academy. She is the sister of Mrs. Gladstone Chang and Mr. Jocelyn Moo Young.

Gerry Atteck Holidays In Trinidad

An enjoyable send off was given for Mr. Gerry Atteck on Thursday December 18th, when his friends got together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chang at 21 Whitcombe Road, Barbican, to bid him Au Revoir. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. Wong Ken, Mr. and Mrs. Veira of Trinidad, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chang, Mr. and Mrs. Pascall Wong, Messrs Gordon McGregor, Spencer Marshall, Colville Gordon and the Misses Sheila Marshall and Joan Gordon.

Mr. Atteck left by British West Indian Airways on Saturday,

December 20th, for Port of Spain, Trinidad, where he will spend a well-earned vacation with his homefolks. He is the Manager of the Shipping Department of Sproston Ltd. in Jamaica and is expected back in the island some time in February next year.

Comings and Goings

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lowe of Panama who had been on vacation in the island returned home by Pan American Airways on Saturday December 13 after a very enjoyable stay. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cheong.

Returning to the island on Saturday 13th December, was Miss Audrey Chong on Christmas vacation from School. She arrived by Pan American Airways and will be here until January. A former head girl and a graduate of Alpha Academy, Miss Chong is pursuing a course at Emmanuel College, Boston. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chong and is a sister of Miss Sheila Chong.

Mrs. Wm. H. Merrick, who arrived here from Port of Spain some weeks ago on a visit to her family left by Pan American Airways on Sunday, December 21st for Miami after a very enjoyable stay in the island. Her husband will join her there on a trip to Iowa where they will spend Christmas and New Year with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram H.

Merrick, before settling down in Texas. Mr. Merrick is attached to the U.S. Squadron stationed at Corpus Christi base in Texas. Mrs. Merrick is the former Emma Shim of Jamaica and is a sister of Mrs. Donald Chin Sue and Mrs. Thomas Lyn.

Parties

Mr. and Mrs. William Hue Fah gave a delightful birthday party for their daughter, Ruby, on Monday, December 15th at their home at 9 Halsey Avenue, Vineyard Town. Looking more charming than ever Ruby was the centre of attraction on this gay occasion. Reason was, of course, her attainment of that enviable age of Sweet Sixteen.

Mr. St. Elmo Alexander who was Toastmaster started the ball arolling with "Happy Birthday To You" and with his inimitable wit and humour conducted the Candle-blowing, cake cutting ceremony to a successful finish with congratulatory speeches from Messrs. Robert Chenn, Dalton Young and Miss Gladys Hue Fah, Sweet-Sixteen's sister. Dancing to radiophone music continued until early next morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee of 30 Fairbourne Road, Springfield-on-sea, gave a delightful birthday party for their two year old daughter Marcia, on Thursday, December 11. Highlight of the evening's entertainment was a visit from Santa Claus who distributed gifts to Marcia's many little friends. Not to be outdone the older folks present danced to radiophone music and put on some surprising numbers to add to the children's enjoyment.

Marcia is the grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chin.

Leonard Changs Have Housewarming

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chang at 21 Whitcombe Road, Barbican, was the scene of an enjoyable housewarming party on Thursday evening December 11. The Rev. Fr. Leo T. Butler, S.J., performed the house blessing ceremony. Present were: Rt. Rev. Monsignor Gladstone O. Wilson, Rev. Frs. Crowley, R. Fox, R. Sullivan, S.J. and members and relatives of the Chang family. Of a modern ranch type architecture which combines simplicity with elegance the new home was designed and built by Mr. Leonard Chang.

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ON LEARNING TO DRIVE

By M. C. Y.

Have you ever seen a car adorned with a large "L" traveling precariously in front of you? Isn't your first thought "Another Lunatic!" instead of sympathizing with the Learner? You would if you'd only remember what you had to undergo to get your "oh-so-superior" driver's licence. Remember all the troubles?

The first step was getting a teacher. One with patience—lots of it—who was brave and accustomed to narrow escapes. You tried your father, who was none to pleased to risk his neck, but tried to hide it. Entering the car for the first time you learnt that contrary to your former opinion, a car doesn't just drive as you press the accelerator. Certain knobs and buttons aren't just for decoration but actually play a part in conducting the car. So you proceed; you press the button to start, follow instructions and press the accelerator, release the brakes, put her in gear—the car shudders and shuts off. Your father patiently explains why, the clutch is supposed to come up slowly, so you try again—and again and again 'til the poor car wonders if her last day has come. Disgusted, your father should have left you by this time, to look on from a distance. Just to show him you can do it, you do manage to move off, but how! The accelerator seems to be disagreeing with you as it just refuses to go at a reasonable speed: one minute like lightning, the next like a sleepy snail, and so it goes on. You find another teacher who doesn't get goose pimples as easy as your father and under him you practise every spare minute.

Getting an imposing Learner sign you display it rather shamefully on the sheet. Why is it that you always make a fool of yourself when people are looking at you, and never when you're on a deserted street?!

Soon you get accustomed to seeing cars shy away from you, people jumping onto the curb and the stares of the hostile crowds, who seem to think you are a threat to mankind. You try to drive as if it were really nothing, just to fool everyone, while inside you are shaking. You find that driving behind a

bus is never pleasant as you're liable to end up following it the whole way. After all, who wants to attempt passing such a monster? Big things aren't the only things that terrify you—bicycles, harmless as they were when you rode them, prove to be little pests who have a habit of darting in front of your car at unexpected times. Those times you feel like giving up such a dangerous job but the fascination of driving is too strong and so you persist.

Persistence is a wonderful thing. That, with pride, makes a driver of some sort out of you and then you start grooming for the Test. Ever seen a drunken man walk a straight line? A car under your hands, reversing the length of your lawn looks just as funny. From curly lines you finally manage to make a wavy one and then, success—as you find you can travel backwards without getting dizzy, or hitting anything. Making one last effort you practise feverishly to pass the test.

This test becomes the fear of your life, as from various lips you hear what agonies await you—you have to go up a hill, shut off (which shouldn't be hard) and move off without running backwards. You start saving your money too as one tells you how every post you hit down will cost you a fortune.

The big day comes and you're not even nervous—so you bravely say. That is, until you get to the depot. Not very confident, you smile sweetly at the examiner, who doesn't succumb easily to your charm. If you're a girl it's a ten to one bet you try flirting just a wee bit with him so that his pity will pass you, at least. The test begins: The hill was just a little one, contrary to what you imagined it to be and you proved that at least you practised going up a gully like Mount View Gully. Then the reversing: You can't see how a car of that size can possibly go through a lane so narrow. Hoping for the best you proceed to crawl carefully backwards. After what seems like eternity to you, you finally return, without the loss of any money or posts.

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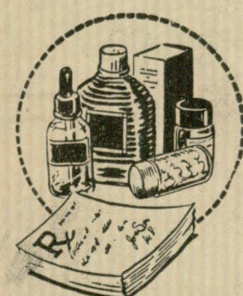
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GIRL FROM ISTANBUL

by A. Frederick Daniels

I SAW her in a little — I was going to say cabaret, but it could not be called that by any stretch of imagination, any more than a half-baked cafe could be called a night club. It was just a joint and I will leave the description at that.

She seemed completely out of place. I did not come to this conclusion because of any partiality for the ladies; in fact, they generally leave me quite cold. Anyway I'd had enough of them, working on a special job for the Foreign Office during the last five years. These ladies with whom I had been in contact were good-looking all right and would have measured up nicely against Venus de Milo, only these types had hands, long one with claws on the ends. They could drop a capsule in your whisky or slide a knife into your back with breathtaking insouciance—and smiling all the time.

No, women as a class were out for me. I wanted a real good change, and for that reason I was looking forward to a comfortable armchair and a book—in a small hamlet in Surrey for preference.

It so happened that I had a few hours to spend before the plane left Istanbul, so I looked around and picked on this dingy-looking place to get myself a drink, and a bite to eat. Nothing could happen here, I thought. Ordering the necessary I got lost in dreams of home. That is, I

lost myself for a few moments until she appeared and began to sing.

It shook me right away, even before I set eyes on her. It didn't dawn on me that this poky dump might employ a singer. In fact, I hadn't even noticed the piano. And it was that I first saw as I turned round; the piano and the fellow playing it. He was dark-skinned, good-looking and he wore a fez. I thought he was a bit too much of a good thing. Then I saw her. Will I never stop getting shocks? was the first thing to cross my mind. Her voice was terrible, but I wasn't concerned about that. It was the girl herself. Suppose she was in a suburban garden, picking roses. Anyone seeing her would stop and have an eyeful, then would probably remark: "What a delightful creature. Really sweet and unspoilt..."

SO it can be imagined just how I felt seeing her in that smelly cafe in Istanbul on that hot evening.

Naturally, I wondered why such a girl should be singing in such a place in such a town. That is the trouble with my training; it makes me too damned curious—and I was curious all right.

While all this thought process was going on, my eyes went out of focus... I was getting carried away with myself... then my arm slipped off the table and the sudden jerk brought me back to reality with something of a shock.

It was then that I realised that she had her eyes fixed on me.

I didn't know then whether it was the song she was singing or because she really felt that way, but those lovely eyes appeared very tragic and sad.

I smiled. It was a gesture done on impulse. Maybe I felt I ought to give her some cheer, some small piece of encouragement. But the moment I smiled I felt I had done the wrong thing. It wasn't that she smiled back at me. She just gave me a look. It said: "Thank goodness, Mister, you have given me hope."

Getting a look like that, I know there was something else to follow. I didn't have to wait long, either. When she finished the song, the fez fellow left the piano, a cigarette dangling from his lips, and left the room through a curtained doorway at the end. I expected the girl to follow him, but she didn't. She came over to my table and sat down.

"Please, please buy me a drink," she said.

Her voice was low and husky. I liked it.

"Certainly," I replied. "What's it to be?"

She took a cigarette out of a case and paused before she lit it.

"Oh, anything. Only get one, quickly—please."

She looked jittery and could hardly light the cigarette.

"All right," I said and beckoned a waiter. Ordering two drinks I turned back to her.

"You sound as though you need a drink," I said.

HER smooth, brown eyes widened pathetically.

"No, I don't. Not really. You see, it must look as though you know me. Please, please act as though you do. Especially

when Carl comes. When he sees I have not returned to my dressing-room he will come out for me. It must look as though you know me. An old friend—you know what I mean."

"All right," I nodded, "I know what you mean. But just what is this all about? Where do we go from here?"

Then a startled look came into her eyes and she almost dropped the glass in her hand.

"Not now," she whispered. "Later—I will tell you later."

She had her gaze on somebody behind me so I did the old trick with the polished cigarette case. It wasn't too good as a mirror but I could see the fez at any rate, and I could tell that he was standing by the curtain. At least he was, for the next thing I knew was a hand over my shoulder holding a lighter with the wick alight.

"Light a cigarette, effendi," said a smooth voice. "I cannot help feeling you must be out of matches to gaze at your case so long."

That was one up to our fez friend.

"Thanks," I said, doing as he suggested. There wasn't much else I could do anyway.

The cap clicked over the flame, then he came round in front of me and bowed. He had a cynical smile on his greasy face. I felt I could have done things to that face had the circumstances been different. Then he turned to my companion and bowed again.

"You come now? You must be very tired."

His voice was smooth but one could sense the threat behind it. "She is staying," I said.

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He turned back to me, his eyes glinting.

"I own this place and my artistes are not allowed to entertain the guests," he returned, coldly.

"Just a moment," I said. "I am not a guest being entertained by one of your artistes. This lady happens to be an old friend of mine. A very old friend, if you must know."

He just looked at me and laughed.

"Very good, effendi, but it will not work. Perhaps you would be good enough to tell me her name, then?" He stopped laughing then and just grinned sardonically.

I wanted to get up and show him a trick or two I knew.

"Listen," I replied, "when it is your business I will answer all the questions you like to put. Until then—" I turned my back on him and left the rest of the sentence understood. With that, I expected him to start something. But he didn't. He turned on his heel and went back through the curtain.

I knew that the retreat was only temporary. You get to know this sort of feeling in my job.

THEN the girl gripped my arm.

"You must get me out of this," she whispered. "I will tell you all about it afterwards. Only please, please help me to get away."

Well, it was obvious I couldn't just ignore this creature in distress, and I couldn't stoop to ask questions.

"All right," I said, taking a deep breath, "let's go."

She sighed and smiled when I said that.

"Come with me to my dressing-room. I must get one or two things together. And I am so afraid Carl—" she shivered.

We got up and went through the curtain. We went down a long, dark passage without meeting a soul. Then we turned into a small room. I sat down on a chair, and the girl began to pack a small case hurriedly. I never saw a person so nervous in all my life—and I have seen nervousness, believe me.

Then she went into another room. She was gone so long I thought Carl had come on to the scene. I was about to go and look for her when she came in. She was carrying a bottle.

"I thought you would like a drink," she said.

I nodded my head. "Sure, I would. Any time is the right time for a drink."

She smiled rather pathetically. "Help yourself, I shall soon be ready."

Well, something always turns up in the hour of trial, and this time it was a bottle of the best Scotch. I had just helped myself to a double and was about to taste it when the door opened and in walked the Carl fellow.

Without a word he walked straight up to me and knocked the bottle out of my hand. Up till then the fez fellow had riled me enough, and if that action was calculated to get me really mad it certainly succeeded. With a snarl I grabbed his throat and in less than no time at all Carl and I were mixing it good and plenty. He was tough and he could take it. As a matter of

fact, I took a goodish bit myself...

ALL of a sudden we were leaning heavily on the side wall, gulping for breath, when he wheezed in my ear: "Take it easy you... fool!"

The voice I heard was pure English. It was so pure it had a Somerset burr.

I dropped my arms and sat in a chair.

"O.K.," I said, "I've been bit. What's it all about?"

He grinned at that and, reeling across the room, flung himself into another chair.

"Pshaw! Some do! It's been many a year since I enjoyed such a fine scrap. However, let's get down to sorting things out a bit."

I was looking round for the girl.

Carl waved his hand. "She's gone. But never mind that. My men will keep an eye on her. I was posted with information that you've just finished a job for the F.O. You've just had a girl by the name of Johnna Bergson put away for a good stretch."

I nodded. I wasn't surprised at anything that happened in my line.

He jerked his thumb towards the door. "I got a description of Ida—the girl who's left—and was told she was tailing you. I took her on three days ago after she spun me a phoney yarn about being hard up. Yes, she was tailing you all right. I got your description, too, but, although I followed Ida for two nights she never led me to you. It was just

sheer luck for me you came into the place this evening, and it might have been lucky for Ida, only in a different way."

"Yes, but I've never seen this girl Ida before. What's she got on me?" I asked.

"Plenty," grinned Carl. "She happens to be Johnna Bergson's sister and she's just been trying to poison you with doped whisky..."

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ON LEARNING TO DRIVE

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Feeling proud, you are taken down a peg when the questioning begins. There your flitting pays off as the examiner hints the answers now and again. So of course you become one of the exclusive group with a driver's licence.

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Into The Future

In another few days the gates of Time will close fast upon the departing year and 1952 will have been left behind us for ever. It is already too late for any repining for our lost opportunities, or for any laments over what we may feel to be the negligences of others. All these conditions are treading their last steps along the road which will take them through the gates into the limbo of the past.

Of course, there have been many mistakes made by us individually and by many collectively; few are they who are faultless. Of course, we have our just grievances and our regrets, but there is now no time left in which we can dwell on these things so soon to be out of sight for ever. What we have to bear in mind is that the gates clanging to on the departing year open on the other side to admit the new one, eager to be admitted with the eagerness of youth, bright with the prospects of the untried. Here, at this junction of Time, it is to the new rather than to the old that we should turn our gaze, taking with us into the future only those lessons we have learned well from the book of experience in the year so nearly at an end. Mistakes need not be repeated if we have learned our lessons well, wisdom can temper our actions and hope can fill our hearts at this time.

In spite of the many existing difficulties that are prevalent both locally and abroad, the new year holds out a promise of better things. On every hand efforts are being made to establish improved economic conditions; to ease or eradicate the war situation existing in the Far East; to suppress the spread of Communism and to encourage a better understanding among the peoples of the world.

The very frequency with which grievances are aired and discussed in the open augurs well for the future, for here no fire of discontent can flourish. Patience,

tact, skill, understanding, a spirit of co-operation and a feeling of goodwill in all our undertakings and dealings one with another, are needed in our daily living as we set forth together along the new road on the other side of the gates.

To one and all may 1953 prove to be a **HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS YEAR.**

Flour Decontrol

The decision of Government to take baking flour off the quota and to discontinue the bulk purchasing of this item is certainly a step in the right direction. It will leave the merchants and importers free to import from the most economical sources of supply; and re-introduce into the trade the missing element of a healthy competition that is bound to result in savings to the consumer. This advantage inherent in a system of free competition in an open market has for too long been withheld from the buying public — traders and consumers alike—and we welcome wholeheartedly this promising sign of a return to normalcy.

There are a few, perhaps, who benefited more than others under a system which provided what is virtually a government-backed monopoly in this commodity. To these, Government's decision will give cause for alarm, because the possession of quotas will no longer be of any significance in the highly competitive set-up that will follow decontrol. Bulk alone will cease to be the determining factor.

On the other hand we know that business in an open market is replete with difficulties. It will require keener buying, greater sales effort and better service; but this will be no more than what obtained before the coming of Government controls. And the consumer who has had to face for these many years a spiralling cost of living will in the long run reap the benefits resulting from this return to a normal process of competitive trading.

Government's decision will also open up possibilities for others in this field which hitherto was confined to quota holders and give to them the opportunity of proving themselves in an open market. We trust that this is but another step on the part of government to provide equal opportunity for all in trade and commerce.

The silliest woman can manage a clever man, but it needs a very clever woman to manage a fool.
—Kipling.

There is no greater immorality than to occupy a place you cannot fill.—Napoleon.

Man says what he knows, woman what will please.—Rousseau.



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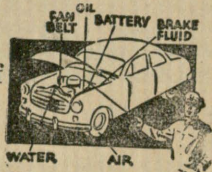
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Education And Progress

By CHEN YIN-HO

Condensed from a recent address at the
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"It takes ten years to raise good lumber. It takes a hundred years to raise good men." Education is the one medium through which we pass along from one generation to another, civilization and accumulated human wisdom. One sure index of a nation's strength or weakness is the degree education is developed or ignored in that country. But how much good education can do for the people, in turn depends upon the correctness of the education policy. The eminent American educator Dewey said: 'The success or failure of education depends upon education policy. What is more, the policy must be adapted to suit the environmental factors before it can achieve its intended good.' Dewey's words hit the very core of the problem. We are now living overseas. To promote education here, we must take into consideration the difference in the environmental factors. We cannot just borrow the education policy and education methods as practised in China and apply them here. Therefore, unless we are not determined to make our efforts at promoting education a success, we should study, in an objective manner as is possible, why we had failed to achieve our set goals. From this study, we can find ways to improve the situation.....

"The newly formed board of directors is determined to make the Public School a success. They are cognizant of the failure in the past, and are adapting a new education policy so as to fundamentally revamp the Chinese Public School. The new education policy is keyed to the environmental requirements while it also aims at giving the pupils sufficient knowledge and understanding about their fatherland. In other words, the education policy in the past was to emphasize Chinese and give English secondary importance. The present policy is to emphasize English and give Chinese secondary importance. It is imperative that the pupils should have as thorough a mastery of English as the pupils of any other English school, if not better. Chinese will also be a required course, so that the pupils can come to know Chinese civilization.

Now that the correct policy is already formed, what remains is how to carry it out. Fortunately for us, the members of the new board are all outstanding members

among the Chinese residents here. They are not only learned and experienced men, but what is more, full of zealousness to serve the public. We are also fortunate in having a first-class teaching staff for the School. As far as the personnel of the Public School is concerned, we cannot hope for better.

"Since we have changed our educational policy, naturally we cannot expect the pupils to become seasoned scholars in Chinese. However, we do expect them to be able to read and write Chinese with reasonable fluency. This, after all, is the purpose for which we establish the Chinese Public School. Boys and girls born here have never set foot on the land of their forefathers. They have not the least idea of the ancient civilisation that is China's. It ought to be one of the responsibilities of the Chinese teacher to acquaint them with the history of China, and also, the country's current conditions.

"Education is an arduous and time-consuming task. To see that our descendants can know something about our civilisation we ought to put forth our best efforts to make the Chinese Public School a success. Aside from making contributions in money and energy, parents should first place their confidence in the Chinese Public School by sending their children for schooling there. If we can count on every one of us for loyal support; for help in money and time when we need it, the success of the Chinese Public School is certain. Let us make this our common goal.

Fr. Wobido Arrives To Direct Pageant

THE SCRIPT for the great pageant to be staged at Emmet Park (the upper field at Winchester Park) in February arrived in Jamaica by air mail on Wednesday, December 3, and its coming has quickened this vast undertaking at which many hands have already been busily employed.

The full title of the pageant is "JOY FOR JAMAICA — The story of a Lovely Lady for a Lovely Land". Fr. Lord's script calls for a cast of approximately 750 persons to present a polychrome display of spectacle and beauty. There will be dances, songs, battles and athletic displays. There will be panoramic scenes and intimate scenes. "Colossal" is a debauched word, but, if ever it can regain its original stature, Fr. Lord's pageant script should do the job.

Stage plans have been checked for effective staging and found more than satisfactory. The Kingston parishes, the Rowe and Hazel Doran schools of dancing, the Surrey Players and Caribbean Thespians, Alpha Academy, Immaculate Conception High School, and St. George's College have all been canvassed for actors and actresses and the response has been generous. Other groups are yet to be approached and the resulting cast should be a wonderful sampling of Jamaica's entertainment talent.

Rev. Leo P. Wobido, S.J., Fr. Lord's right-hand man, has arrived, and Father Lord himself accompanied by a few members of his own technical staff, is scheduled to arrive here during the first week in January.

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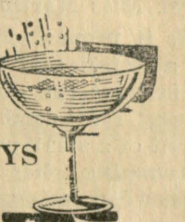
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TALKING IT OVER

By ELIZABETH MARTIN

Dear Miss Martin,

I am a girl of sixteen. My problem does not concern myself but my friend who, like myself, is just sixteen. She wears a very flattening type of "bra", which, I am sure, can't be good for her. It spoils her figure and makes her less attractive, but I am afraid to tell her as she might be hurt.

What do you think? Should I mention it to her, and how should I go about it?

"M. L."

Dear "M. L."

I think you are right my dear. It is harmful to constrict the figure. With so many excellent makes of "bra" on the market, it shouldn't be difficult for your friend to select one which will give her the right kind of support.

As her friend, it is quite proper for you to mention it to her, but you should do so wisely and avoid hurting her feelings. Perhaps she doesn't know how to go about buying a good "bra", or perhaps she feels self-conscious about her figure. Can't you suggest, tactfully, that a pretty figure is an asset? Also, do mention that the wrong type of "bra" may spoil the contours of her figure? E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

Is it proper to comb your hair in a restaurant? The reason I ask is because the other day I saw a young lady combing her hair in front of a small pocket mirror and retouching her make-up in a crowded restaurant.

I think such actions can be termed bad manners, and since your column is read by a large number of the girls, couldn't you give a few pointers on this subject? It would help so many of the younger set who know little or nothing about beauty manners. "T. C."

Dear "T. C."

I agree with you that re-touching and applying make-up in public shows a lack of beauty manners. Perhaps it is due to the fact that such people have no idea how distasteful a little thing like combing one's hair in a restaurant can be to the on-looker, and I am printing below a few pointers on the subject.

Whenever you are out with your boy-friend or husband, girls, don't embarrass him by incessantly looking at yourself in the mirror. He wants your whole and undivided attention, so if your nose needs powdering, wait till the meal is over. Then you

can make an excuse to slip into the women's room where you can do all the re-touching you need.

Better still, protect your make-up before going out by applying a drop of anti-shine lotion down the centre part of your face in between two coats of powder. The preparation I have in mind is extraordinarily effective, even in a warm atmosphere.

Try not to leave any clues to your identity by smearing lipstick over your tea-cup, table-napkin and cutlery. Careful blotting with a tissue will remove surface stickiness from your lips, and a final coat of fixative should see you through several hours.

I think I have covered enough, so be on the lookout girls by observing these simple rules. They contribute so much to your charm and attraction.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

I fell out with my boy-friend because I did not agree with his ideas about right and wrong, and when a friend asked me what was the matter between us, I told her in confidence.

However, I learned that she repeated this to my boy-friend and now he has dropped me completely. What should I do Miss Martin? I am broken hearted, and can't eat or sleep.

"Broken Hearted."

Dear "Broken Hearted,"

I want you to think this over seriously, my dear. What your boy-friend suggested to you was thoroughly and completely wrong.

Hard though this may seem to you, I don't think you should try to see him again, unless he is really repentant and prepared to respect your ideas in the future. I don't think he is worth your tears, my dear, so do try to get a grip of yourself.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

I have been going out with a boy for the past six months, and now, without giving me any reason, he has dropped me. I still love him and can't get over it. What shall I do, Miss Martin?

"C. K."

Dear "C. K."

Ask your boy-friend to be quite frank with you, and tell you why he has broken off so suddenly. You have a right to know, and it is so unfair for him to drop you for no apparent reason.

E. M.

Think not that a man will so much as lift up his little finger on your behalf unless he sees his advantage in it.—Jeremy Bentham.

Among free men there can be no successful appeal from the ballot to the bullet.—Abraham Lincoln.

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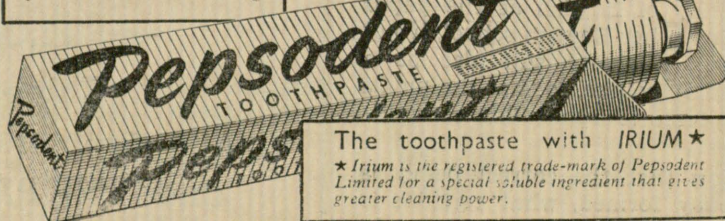
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Brainy boys with bulging cranium

Swot up studies on uranium, Lowbrows do not like automics, Stick instead to simple comics.

America will have enough atom bombs in five years time to kill everyone in the world. So what? There's always been enough water in the sea to drown everybody.

Perkins: You stutter, Hopkins, because you think faster than you talk.

Hopkins: No-no; I st-st-stutter because you t-t-try to hear what I say b-b-before I've said it.

Somewhat overwhelmed by an eulogistic introduction praising his charm and ability as a speaker, he faced the audience and began his speech: "Ladies and gentlemen, I can hardly wait to hear what I'm going to say."

She: This morning the doctor forbade you every drop of alcohol and ordered you fruit juice. Here you are drinking beer.

He: I thought hops were fruit.

A very pretty girl of about 20 years rushed into a Police station. "Something the matter, Miss?" asked the sergeant.

"Well, a boy tried to get fresh when we were parked in the hills. I've just walked back."

"What kind of guy?" the policeman growled. "You give me his name, Miss, and we'll—"

"Oh, I don't wish to prefer charges against him!" said the girl. "I just want you to give him these keys. He will come in to ask about them. You see,"

she added with a grin, "he's walking too!"

Queer that men should take up a life of crime when there are so many legal ways to be dishonest.

Man: Anyhow, I'm glad I didn't back the 'orse you was givin' yesterday—'e comes in last. Tipster: 'Ere, 'ere, be reasonable. Why should the 'orse try to win if you don't back 'im?

"So you let your husband carry a latchkey?"

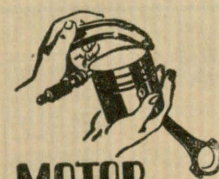
"Oh, just to humour him. He likes to show it to his friends, to let them see how independent he is—but it doesn't fit the door."

Give some motorists an inch and they'll take a fender.

An acid spinster constituted herself O.C. Morals in a sleepy village. One day she dropped in on Giles, a jobbing gardener, noted for his joviality.

"Giles," she said, "I'm ashamed that you should set such an example. Why, yesterday, I saw your wheelbarrow outside the Fox and Badger for two hours!"

Giles didn't say one word in reply. That night he left his wheelbarrow outside the spinster's house.



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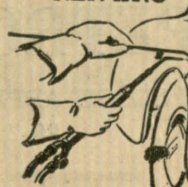
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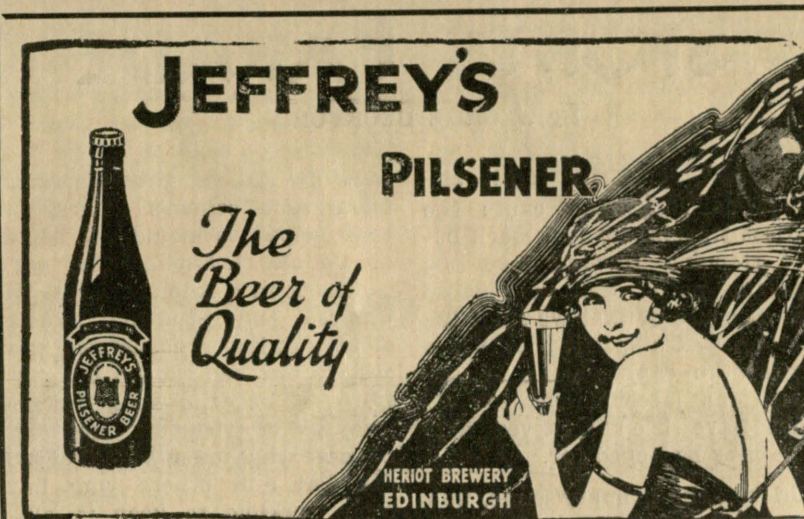
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SPORTS PARADE

By GEORGE BECKFORD

NATURAL curiosity and apprehension often cause the wariest traveller to look back before stepping forward into the pleasant paths that lie before him. Because of that we shall reflect on CAC's sporting activities during the closing year to see what was accomplished, what could have been achieved and what may be hoped for.

Cricket, the primary game, was not productively engaged in as in previous seasons. The cause, of course, was due to the harrowing state in which the hurricane of August 1951 had left the pavilion and playing field. I had previously exhorted the cricketers to return to the Junior and Carib Cup competitions, but I can now agree with those who felt that entertaining would not be convenient, such as the traditional tea interval. Horace Chang and Charlie Lee, however, organised a few friendly matches to keep the flame burning which should inspire youthful talent next year.

TENNIS has a lot of enthusiasm. Allan Chin is an aggressive all rounder, Clinton Wong Pow, 14-year-old Wolmerian, shows

that he has caught something from that school's atmosphere that helped to mould the genius of Donald Leahong. The girls came out in a fine shower at the Chinese Old Students tournament during midsummer and Millie Chin Yee exuded the right spirit, if not the skill, towards progress. A bouquet here for Chinese Old Students — Noel Lyn, Joe Tai and others who have been working, to keep it alive, that they have done well in binding the young members of the community together despite limited facilities. We hope that at least three badminton courts will be built at the new club, so that more people who leave work late in the afternoons, or who are not adept at other outdoor sports, can find enough recreation in this shuttlecocked game which affords cool, enjoyable fun from 7 p.m. until dawn.

A great advantage would be derived by building three courts; extravagant as it would seem Island Championships would be played at the CAC as tennis is now featured at St. Andrew Club. By the way, St. Andrew has only two badminton courts, and therefore CAC would gain the edge of

compelling the gaze of attention in their direction and becoming the headquarters just as Sabina Park has grown to become the centre of cricket.

LUCIEN TAI, who won the doubles badminton title this year along with banker Veira, is an ardent member of Elgin Club, and is vitally interested in the Chinese building up a fine team. Aspiring players should contact him early. Tennis players naturally take to games that are played with racquets and I should like to mention a few devotees who, we hope, will continue; they are Earle Leahong and his fiancée, Babs Chang, Kay Wong Ken, Mrs. Teddy Chin, Danny Chen and Stanley Chen.

Softball slipped out the picture as the girls who have kept the Primrose flag flying for several seasons had to join other clubs. We remember how well Lila Lee and Gwendolyn Chang played for Melbourne. It seems as if they will be on that club's line up next year for the softballers begin earlier. The boys tried their best, but they were woefully lacking in practice. Anyway, let us hope that Ken Lyew and other stars will play more seriously.

Table tennis fell low for want of that bit of furniture and Robert Chin who for a long time had topped the list rightly set his business affairs before his

best loved sport. Robert will renew his enthusiasm as soon as a capable Table Tennis Association is formed.

This week I saw Johnny Lee, ex-RAF and now YMCA star, walking and talking happily with Eldores Yapp, former women's table tennis champion of Jamaica. They had no racquets in hand, but it looked like a prosperous omen.

Another popular sport with popular appeal, is spear fishing. This adventurous sport requires about a £20 outlay to buy swim fins and under-water spear-gun. Already Joscelyn, Lucien Tai, Tommy Quan, Aston Moo Young, Stan Chan, Lyn Kee Chow and Henry Chin Fin have been successfully shooting the watery game.

And by the way, Donald Leahong, maestro of the tennis lawn has taken up golf. Simon Yuen, Lincoln Ho received their basketball trophies at the presentation day last week. JFA's popular football President G. M. da Costa handed the prizes and hoped that more teams would enter next year. Commissioner Horace Chang was Chairman of the function and must have been flushed with surprising pride when his team, Community Store, got their first competition award before anyone could credit Santa for giving it.

At football, Cecil Chuck was

like an evangelist recalling the sheep (I should not describe them as lost ones) back to the fold, with the result that the nucleus for a team that will last for another 10 years has been found. Byron Lee of St. George's College has already drawn public notice by his brilliance at centre forward. His brother Neville also showed promise and had St. George's used him more often than they did Desnoes, I believe the old school would have won the Manning Cup. The Lyn brothers came out in force, Noel for St. Geo. Old Boys, and Ali and George for CAC Juniors. The Lyew brothers Jack and Kenenth are maturing like good wine and were selected to represent Wolmer's Old Boys in the annual reunion match this week.

A young Lyew is now playing for Calabar and was picked to represent the Combined Secondary Schools against the G. M. da Costa Cup players from the country competition on which George Hew will be playing.

As I mentioned, football has great possibilities and I would suggest that Alfred Chin Fatt and Ken Lyew be asked to coach the Juniors next season.

Guild Notes and News

The Christmas Party of the Chinese Christian Guild turned out to be a most enjoyable and unusual affair—Unusual, because it has been such an age since the last Costume Party was held, and certainly the first of its type in the life of the Guild. Unfortunately not a great many persons attended, but those who did will have for some considerable time, happy recollections of this gay party—and those who did not, should regret not having attended. The music of Icky Chong Yen and his Cathayans deserve signal praise.

Some delightful and eye-opening costumes were on parade and special mention is made of the beautiful Chinese girl in her little straw hat and pyjamas, the charming Japanese girl in her kimono. The pirate girls were positively breath-taking and no landlubber would have minded being held up by such buccaneers. A rare 'kitten' was the cat, and even those with strong antipathy

to the feline family could easily have been charmed by this puss. A very unusual, amusing and original get up was the pair "Quo Vadis", and these two had everyone including the judges running back and forth in an endeavour to determine just where or what they were up to. Theirs was a really clever outfit that reflected much thought and wit in its design and origin.

Cathay had a visitor from 'Gav Paree' in the person of the prizewinner. She certainly put some spice in the party — she did about every dance but the reputed Can-Can—but expertly and naturally, the cow-boys and the buccaneers, the professor and the (Quo) Vadis, the tramps and the caballeros, when not trying to get to dance with her all had their eyes glued to her. The judges seemed to have had theirs on her too to have arrived at that decision.

Unlike the male species of other classes of animals the male of the homo genus is never as elegant, as beautiful nor as graceful as the female and so at Cathay the males failed to obtain as much prominence and praise as the females. They tried hard to show their plumes but they were unhappily dwarfed by their female counterparts. One of the cow-boys won the prize because of his realistic portrayal of a cow-buncher, the other despite his natty outfit, lacked the grim, tough expression of a cow-hand, the professor's gown was real, but he wasn't sufficiently serious to be entrusted with the training of gentle minds, the pirate could easily have won with his authentic headgear and tunic, but his "Yo, ho, ho and a bottle of rum" did not ring true.

The judges undoubtedly had a difficult task since there was so little to choose between the costumes, they were all so real and so handsome but all agree that the awards were deserving. The adage that there is never enough of a good thing was faithfully observed as the party ended soon after midnight to enable everyone to be in bed before the cocks started crowing.

The Guild will meet on Wednesday the 7th January, 1953 at the Rectory at 8 p.m. for a talk by Fr. Price and afterwards to plan the programme for the first quarter of 1953. All members are asked to attend.

H. H.

Holiday Fare At CPS

The Chinese Public School which acquired two new improved projectors at the cost of

£1,250 will be making its debut on Thursday, January 1st at seven o'clock when two excellent films will be shown. One is a modern Chinese picture—"Flower Street"—a tender love story that should appeal to one and all, while the other is a technicolour film entitled "The Painted Hills" starring Lassie, The Wonder Dog.

They will be shown at the school and proceeds will go towards the school fund.

MIN CHI TONG SPONSOR NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

The Christmas Garden Party held at the Chinese Public School grounds under the auspices of Min Chi Tong on Thursday, December 25, came off with a bang. The Chinese play "Peach Blossom" left nothing to be desired and the Unicorn Dance (Moo Kee Lin) was as successful as it was popular.

The sponsors are enthusiastically making preparations for the next big event—their New Year's Eve Dance at the Chinese Freemason Hall where added accommodation has been provided by the completion of a new pavilion.

By popular request the Unicorn Dance which drew such a large crowd at the Garden Party will be repeated and a surprise floor show will be staged. A really memorable New Year's celebration is in store for one and all.

Redver Cooke and his Orchestra will supply the music. Proceeds will go to charities. Admission: 7/6 single; 15/- couple.

Port Antonio Notes

A surprise birthday party was held at the Sang Hing Co., on December 10th. Guest of honour on this occasion was Mr. Ralph Moo Young who made no attempt to conceal his surprise when he was ushered into the hall where his friends and relatives gathered to wish him a happy birthday.

After the customary cake-cutting, dance followed until midnight.

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St. Anthony's Academy Breaking-up Concert was well received by a large audience in the School's auditorium on the evening of the 1th of December.

Highlight of the night was a play entitled "A Night in Bethlehem" in which charming Miss Linnette Lee Sang portrayed the mighty King Herod. For her convincing performance she was awarded a prize, in addition to the one she carried off for heading her form in the Terminal Exams.

The Misses D. Tiam Fook and Hazel Phang were among those fortunate recipients who were given certificates for being successful in various commercial examinations.

On the 18th Anne Lowe's "little admirers" gathered around her to celebrate her first birthday. Looking around her with wonder, Anne waved her hands, sucked her thumb and smiled at everyone who came to wish her a happy birthday.

The party was held at her grand-parents' home. Anne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lowe.

The Spartans won the All-Portland football championship on Saturday the 20th by defeating Runner-up "Cavilers" 5 goals to 1. The champions line-up include Messrs. Vincent Lee Sang in goal, Jimmy Lowe at right-half, and Ralph Moo Young at inside right.

Among the distinguished guests attending the opening of Port Antonio's new Roman Catholic Church were Mr. Leonard Chang from Kingston, Mrs. Enid Phang-sang, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chung and Messrs. Kingsley Lee and C. Chung of this town.

C.S.C.'s hard-working social committee headed by V. Leesang and Ralph Mooyoung and reinforced by energetic Pearl Chung, provided members and friends with an enjoyable Christmas programme.

First on the list was a dinner which was held at the Sang Hing Co. This was immediately followed by a general election of officers for the coming year. Result of the election is as follows: V. Leesang as President; W. Leesang, as Vice President; S. F. Chin, Treasurer; J. A. Lowe and Mrs. Vera Chung as Secretary and Asst. Secretary respectively; R. Mooyoung, Games Captain; Mrs. Bunny Leesang, Ladies Captain; Miss Linnette Leesang, Junior Captain; and Miss Monica Chen as Chairman of the Social Committee consisting of Mrs. M. Lowe, Misses Winnie Leesang, Pearl Chung, Gloria Leung, Diana Tiam Foo and Mr. Kenneth Chung Seong. An address was also given by Mr. Victor Chung, honorary member of the club.

Crowning this festive occasion was a dancing party held at Thomas Lee (Succs.). Vermouth

and champagne lent their intoxicating influence to make the evening a merry, boisterous and unforgettable Christmas as happy couples danced everything, from exciting jitterbug to exotic mambos, until late hours in the morning. Among those present were the Misses Diana and Colleen Tiam Foo, Linnette Leesang, Winnie Chung, Messrs Calvin Mooyoung, L. R. Chin, J. Lowe, V. Chung, and C. Leesang.

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Horace Chang Addresses Restaurateurs

Last week versatile businessmap and Y's President Horace Chang addressed a large gathering of restaurateurs, grocers and other handlers at the Public Health Centre on Retirement Road, Cross Roads. Subject of his talk was "The attractive display and handling of food."

He has also been busy with members of the Y.M.C.A. choral group who made their annual visit to the King George VI. memorial, Nuttall, Kingston Public and University College hospitals over the past fortnight. Led by Mr. Sibthorpe Becket, the choral group ushered in the yule-

tide season at these various institutions by rendering selections of Christmas carols.

Incidentally Mr. Chang is now on the Executive Committee of the British and foreign Bible Society of the West Indies.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. James L. Chin of 2-E Grove Road, God's precious gift of a daughter at the Nuttall Hospital on Saturday, December 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lai Fook of Mountain View Gardens also a daughter, on Friday, December 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Easton Lee of Belmont Rd., on Friday December 19th the precious gift of a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Derrick Chang of Spanish Town another daughter on Tuesday, December 16, at the Nuttall Hospital.

There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being happy.—R. L. Stevenson.

Cleverness is serviceable for everything, sufficient for nothing.—Amiel.

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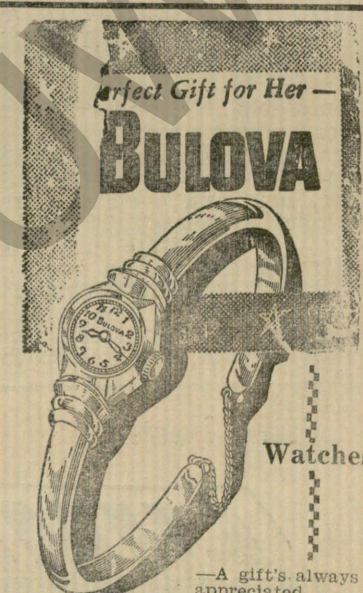
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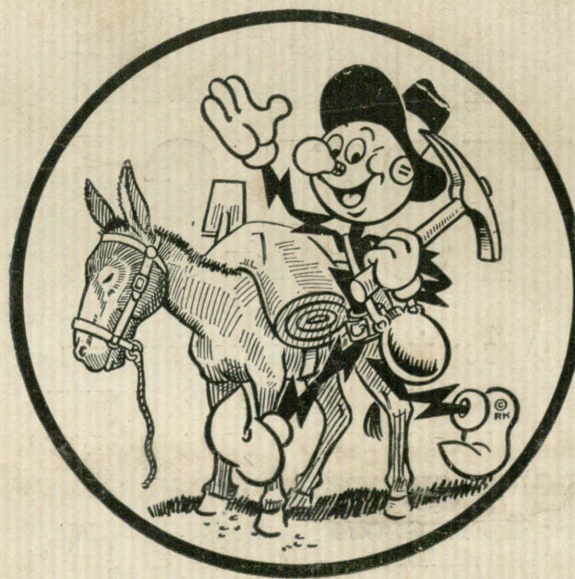


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