

Josee,7,daughter of McCreedy's Rick Bernard, was one of 3,000 kids at the USWA Christmas Party. See Pages 8&9.

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Matthew Rayan, 2, son of Smelter converter operator Dia Rayan, joins Santa in a Season's Greeting.

Hand to get presidency

Sopko takes Inco reins, Phillips retiring



Mike Sopko

I nco president in April.

Heir apparent in December to Don Phillips as chairman and chief executive officer of Inco Limited.

What a year it's been for Mike Sopko, a former president of the Ontario Division, who will become the first Canadian-born chairman in Inco history when he takes over from Mr. Phillips next April.

A Montreal native and son of Czechoslovakian parents, he will be, at 53, the third youngest head of Inco when he is elected by the Board of Directors following the annual meeting of shareholders on April 22, 1992.

He is also the first person from the mining operations' side of the business to get the top post.

"It's very exciting and challenging to say the least. I consider it a tremendous honor and responsibility," said Dr. Sopko, who served as Ontario Division president from 1984 to 1989 before moving to the Toronto corporate headquarters as vice-president of Human Resources. "It's certainly going to require a lot of teamwork to achieve the high level of performance that the company has realized in recent years. But I am confident that we will rise to the

challenge and get the job done."

In the swing toward a new, younger generation of senior executives with Inco, Scott Hand, 49, will replace Dr. Sopko as presi-

Mr. Hand, vice-president, General Counsel and legal secretary of Inco Limited since 1984, was elected a director of Inco Limited at this month's meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. Hand, who will move to Toronto from New York City, has directed the company's strategic planning and business development activities since 1987.

Mr. Phillips, 62, has elected to take early retirement for family reasons.

After a 35-year career with Inco. he wants to spend more time with his children and grandchildren in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Phillips, a native of Wales who joined Inco Europe in 1956 as a technical officer, also feels his departure next spring will allow for an orderly transition in the company's senior ranks. President and chief operating officer from the spring of 1980, he added the chairmanship role to his responsibilities in 1987.

Last April, in a move to strengthen senior management, Mr. Phillips relinquished the title of President to Dr. Sopko.

Mr. Phillips' tenure has been marked by a decade of labor harmony, strong investor relations and heightened environmental awareness capped by the \$600 million sulphur dioxide abatement program in the Sudbury operations. He also introduced profit-sharing and share award programs for all employees throughout the com-

At the time of turning over the presidency, he signalled the move to a younger generation when he was quoted as saying: "The real message is that the top four officers at Inco are within three to four years of retirement."

Not affected in this most recent move at the top are four other senior officers. Dr. Walter Curlook. 62, remains Vice-chairman while Ian McDougall, 61, will continue as vice-chairman and chief financial officer. David Balchin, 51, remains executive vice-president while Peter Salathiel, 51, will continue to serve as executive vicepresident.

For Dr. Sopko and Mr. Hand, the moves highlight careers steadily on the rise since they joined the company.

Dr. Sopko joined Inco in 1964 as a research engineer after graduating with a doctorate in metallurgical engineering from McGill University in his hometown of Montreal.

He has held a variety of senior management positions, including operations manager in the late 1970s of Exmibal, the Guatemalan company owned by Inco that established a nickel-mining operation in the Lake Izabal region of Guatemala.

On his return from Guatemala in late 1978, his career began to soar. After serving as the Copper Refinery manager until 1980, he became vice-president of Smelting and Refining in the Ontario Division and in 1982 added the Milling responsibility to his title. In 1984, he was named President of the Ontario Division.

Mr. Hand's career has been no less swift.

He joined Inco in 1973 as corporate attorney and has held several senior management positions. including acting president of Exmibal.

A graduate of Cornell Law School and admitted to the New York Bar in mid-1970, Mr. Hand served in the U.S. Peace Corps in Ethiopia in the mid-1960s. Elected an Eexecutive vice-president of Inco in April, 1991, Mr. Hand is also a member of the P. T. International Nickel Indonesia Board of Commissioners.

Dr. Sopko's elevation to the most senior position in the company is a milestone for Canadians.

John McCreedy was 60 when he was elected chairman and chief executive officer of Inco Metals Company when it became a unit of Inco Limited in 1977. The late Mr. McCreedy had a prominent mining background.

Inco's youngest chairman was Charles Hayden.

An American banker, he was 51 when he was elected Inco chairman in 1922. Although he served for 15 years as chairman, he served at a time when the chairmanship was more titular than the top executive post it is today. In 1931, Mr. Hayden was the chairman of nine other company boards.

How political, civic leaders view Sopko's rise to chairman

Tom Davies, chairman, Regional Municipality of Sudbury: "We think it's great. He knows the territory. He understands people, not only from the business point of view but from the human aspect as well. Mike's always been open and honest with us in the region. I couldn't say enough about the guy. And that's been recognized. Everybody's recognized that with those abilities, he'd move ahead fast. It's also great to see that Don Phillips, who's been a good friend to the Sudbury community, is leaving when he can enjoy his retirement which he richly deserves. Don has been a good personal friend to me."

> Frank Hess, general manager of the Sudbury Regional Development Corporation: "One of the most notable traits I've noticed in Mike Sopko is his strong people skills and the company is people. So I think it's a wonderful choice and it says good things about how the company is treating its people. It's a continuation of the direction taken by the company in the past five years and with a person of the calibre of Mike Sopko, it keeps the company pointed in the right direction."

Helen Ghent, president of the Ontario Division of the Canadian Cancer Society: "I'm thrilled to death. I've enjoyed working with Mike over the years. He's a very talented man. The bottom line is he's a man very familiar with this community. At the same time, he's a good businessman who understands what the company can do in unstable times. Now that we have that team, Mike and Jim Ashcroft (in the Ontario Division), I'm delighted."

> Jim Gordon, mayor of Sudbury: "I remember Mike, in particular, when I was an MPP in 1984 as being very candid and forthright in his comments. The other thing I appreciate is that he took special interest in making sure that the elected people were kept well informed about Inco. Of course, I'm delighted that a man of his calibre has been selected. Here we have a man very much rooted in the Canadian mosaic and that's very important to us."

Floyd Laughren, Ontario Treasurer and Nickel Belt MPP: "I am happy to hear the position of chairman and chief executive officer will be held by a Canadian, Mr. Mike Sopko."

> Frank Mazzuca, mayor of Capreol for 16 years: "I don't think the company could have chosen a better man. Mike was an easy guy to get to. I don't mean he was a softie but he was the guy who could talk to people. From a politician's point of view, he was a very good, co-operative citizen for Inco. He's an all-round nice guy."

Jeanne Warwick, President, Sudbury and District Chamber of Commerce: "The business community has always been most pleased with Inco's constant interest in the Sudbury Region, whether it be revegetation, employment or corporate donations. The appointment of a local and Canadian person as chairman and chief executive officer-Mike Sopko-is an absolutely thrilling piece of news. Mike and I served as board members at Laurentian University and I found him to be very community-minded and well-respected. We wish him well."

> Charlie White, former mayor of Walden: "Knowing him as well as I do, Mike has to be No. 1. He's as honest as the day is long. He never made a hasty decision. He had the company at heart but he did everything within his power to help (the community). You never had to second guess Mike. He was from the hip. Mike and I have one thing in common: we both married Finn girls.

Christmas spirit alive and flourishing at Inco



Joan Rickard, supervisor/ steno.General Engineering:"Hove everything about Christmas. I've never grown up. I was born on the 21st of December and I have a daughter born on the 26th, a sister born on the 24th and a niece on the 25th. It's a family trait."



Dave Butler, maintenance foreman, South Mine: "Christmas is the time to be with family and friends. Christmas changes as you watch your kids growing up, the way they react. I've always been a little cynical about it. I try to ignore the commercialization."



Bob Banks, training instructor, Little Stobie: "I look forward to Christmas. My wife gives me some great presents. All the kids are gone so we spend the holiday visiting them. Sometimes to North Bay, sometimes to Burlington. I think I still have the spirit."



Ernie Marsolais, dryman, Little Stobie: "Everybody looks forward to Christmas around here. When I put up the lights and decorations, you can feel a change in the guys. For me, I get excited through my kids, and now it's my grandkids. I can't wait."



John Wierzbicki, plateworker. Plate Shop: "We have a boy at university that we haven't seen since October. He'll be home for Christmas. We don't get caught up with the money, it'll ruin it for you. Keep the true meaning and there's no problem."



Paramedic Mike Steinman with his team of "bearamedics" purchased with an Inco donation.

A Christmas present for all year

Bears give young patients a lift when they need it

Tucked between the sheets of the stretcher, the youngster fights back the tears as the helicopter blades accelerate from a soft whip-whip to a deafening roar. He sensed fear, not the usual reassurance, as momplanted a nervous farewell kiss before deserting him to the strange men in blue who wrapped the handages over his bleeding forehead.

The helicopter lifts, then banks gently, and suddenly the youngster isn't even sure which way is down anymore. It reminds him of the sudden crash and mom's alarmed cry as the back of the car turned upside down. He recalls the warm, sticky feel of his own blood on his probing fingers.

The tears come again.

He squeezes his new friend, the only friend in the world at this terrible moment, and the tears subside. The stuffed bear cradled tightly under his cheek doesn't talk, of course, unless you're a scared

We'll be okay, no matter what happens," say the silent button eyes, "as long as we have each other."

'Sometimes you don't measure donations by the millions of dollars," said Inco's Public Affairs coordinator Karen DeBenedet. "Sometimes you measure them by the tears they dry."

It took a \$500 Inco cheque to buy 40 bears to be used by the Air Ambulance Base in Sudbury for its "Good Bears in the Air" program.

Starting this Christmas, Inco's teddy bears will be given to Northeastern Ontario children who are transported by the Ontario Ministry of Health Air Ambulance in situations that can vary from an injured child at a car accident scene to a transfer to a larger referral hospital such as the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Air ambulances are based in Toronto, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, Timmins and Sioux Lookout.

The purpose of the project ease the suffering and fear associated with being sick or injured, and ministry air paramedic Mike Steinman is amazed at how well it works.

"You can see it on their faces," said Mike. "They're scared, of course. It's all new to them and nothing but strangers around them. Often there's a lot of tears. You give them a bear and they cling to it for dear life. More often than not, the tears stop.

"For lack of a better term, I'd call the bears a wonder drug."

An air paramedic for four years, Mike has seen his fair share of the approximately 120 youngsters who come under the ambulance service care annually. He's been trained in many of the life-saving emergency procedures required to keep his patients alive until he can get them to

a hospital and its medical staff, yet he was often frustrated and helpless at the sight of the tears of some of his younger patients.

"It's not just the injury that some of these kids are suffering from," he said. "Mom and dad aren't there and I'm a stranger to them. And then there's the helicopter ride that's new and strange. It's no wonder some of these kids are afraid."

Mike said the bear is a way of introducing himself to the kids and "breaks the ice" so he can continue with any examination he might have to do.

The bears provide more than something for the youngsters to cuddle. Often, they become as valuable in the subsequent medical examination as a thermometer or a stethoscope.

Patiently bearing it

"When I have to do an examination I'll do it first on the bear, just to let them know what I'm going to do. That usually makes them feel better and it lets me break the ice with them, "I'll bandage up the bear, even hook it up to an intravenous. It never fails to calm these kids down."

Mike recalls one young accident victim who, after being treated and released from the hospital, remembered nothing about the traumatic experience. "The only thing



inco tags attached to the bears offer youngsters a little cheer.

he remembered was getting the

A baby born in the air this fall. the first one recorded by the people at Bandage 2, also was given a bear to mark the occasion.

Sometimes, the bears are passed out to bigger kids. "We had one elderly lady who was very upset and we couldn't get her to calm down," said Mike. "We gave her a bear and she was able to get control of herself. She told us later that she didn't need it any more and gave it back to us with instructions to give it to someone who needed it more than she did."

It was Mike's idea to adapt a similar Ontario Provincial Police program to the air ambulance service. He began with 20 bears that he sent to air ambulance bases in

northeastern Ontario and Toronto with instructions to pass the bears out to kids and get into a similar program themselves. He suggested they raise money themselves and either purchase their own bears or send the money to the Sudbury "Bandage 2" air ambulance station where Mike would buy the bears for them.

"All the other locations are in the program today," said Mike. "I buy bears for all the stations except

The bears purchased with the Inco donation stay in the area, distributed among three Sudbury hospitals and Bandage 2.

"It's a most appreciated donation, believe me. You just wouldn't believe the way these kids cling to

It's getting to look a lot like Christmas



Greenhouse technician Melissa LeBorgne keeps poinsettias watered at the Inco greenhouse.



Guitarist Morley Maskwa performed at the annual President's Christmas Party at the Copper Cliff Club.



Stoble deckman Charlie Hubacheck sells Christmas trees at his Garson home.



Garson's Christmas tree sits alone in a deserted dry. See story on Page 11.

It happens every year, usually during the first days of December, Just one or two people at first, but it spreads like a yawn in a crowd.

Sometimes it's just a foot-high Christmas tree on the workbench of a mechanic at one of the shops, or a smiling Santa taped to the office door. We haven't spotted any yet this year, but rumor has it that enterprising miners somehow get trees and decorations to lunchrooms thousands of feet below surface,

By the third week, many Inco offices, plants and shops have been transformed with colorful symbols of Christmas that line



Mines Research secretary Karen Roger decorates the Christmastree in the hallway at the Copper Cliff Clinic building.

at Division offices, plants and mines



Mining senior secretary Carol St. Laurent shows a piece of handiwork she was commissioned to create for the Copper Cliff Club.

the hallways, hang on walls and sit on desks.

At the Copper Cliff Club, special attention to detail with a flair for decoration by the cooking and support staff has made the club a great place to entertain Inco's friends in the community.

At the Inco greenhouse, the traditional Christmas Poinsettias have been stored for Yuletide decoration.

At Garson, where only a handful of people work today, the Christmas spirit can be felt. A lone Christmas tree sits in the dry, symbolizing hope and determination for a prosperous future.



General Engineering clerk Karen Podorozny attempts to assemble a Christmas tree for the office.



Inco Exploration's Danielle Hawley gets some decorations and gifts from the top shelf of a storeroom in preparation for the annual Christmas party.



Copper Cliff Club executive chef Rose Sullivan shows off her gingerbread creation.

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Yuletide spirit rekindled at Smelter,



Three-month-old Kellsy Garrett, daughter of Copper Refinery supervisor of office services Steve Garrett doesn't quite know what to make of the bearded guy, but she seems to like the attention.



Mrs. Claus, Jennifer Dikran, holds four-month-old Troy Dagostino, son of Central Laboratory analyst Susan and Smelter foreman Sav Dagostino while Santa's Elf Laresa Curich looks on. Jennifer is daughter of clerk-stonographer Mary Anne Dikran and Chris Dikran of Matte Processing.



Coppery Refinery's Ralph Kiddle carries a tired one-year-old son, Les, at the refinery party.



Kaillie, 4, daughter of Copper Refinery computer specialist Dan Merrick, carries away the loot at the refinery party.

Copper Refinery Christmas parties



Carley, 4, daughter of Copper Refinery stationary engineer Dennis Jensen, has a hard time chewing all that chocolate.



Andrea, 3, daughter of Smelter reverb operator Paul Clizia, gets a hug from Santa.



Senior environmental analyst Sharon Taylor with three-weekold daughter Lori. Next year, she'll know what it's all about.



Debra, her son Aaron and daughter Sarah help Santa greet guests at the Smelter party. Dad Ron Babin, a Smelter training coordinator is in disguise.



Justin Barbeau, 2, guest of Copper Refinery lab analyst Ray Barbeau shares a few quiet moments after the party has wound down with clown Robbie Roberts, an Inco pensioner.

10 years of experience helps

Christmas shopping for 3,000 kids a cinch

Admit it, sometimes Christmas shopping for the kids can drive you crazy. There's the packed stores, long line-ups, mind-numbing choices and a steadily deflating wallet.

Meet Dave Campbell who shops for a "family" of 3,000 youngsters... and does it in an afternoon.

"You get better as you gain experience," said the United Steel workers of America Local 6500 president, "When I first took on the job 10 years ago, it took me 12 hours of solid shopping. I started at 8 a.m. and I wasn't finished at 8 p.m. It was crazy."

Dave didn't wince once at the bedlam that was the Steelworkers Hall during the annual children's Christmas party as some 3,000 youngsters and their parents dropped in to take part in what has become a Local 6500 tradition.

"It began under different circumstances," said Dave, "The first one was held during tough times, when many of our members just didn't have enough money for Christmas. We held the party to try and make Christmas a little better. The first one was a resounding success, he said, "It was such a popular thing that we've been doing it ever since."

Dave's been doing the Christmas shopping since it started and he's getting to be an expert at it, "Of course we had a lot more kids back then, too," he said, "The first year I think we had around 7,000 kids. But whether you buy for 3,000 or 7,000, it doesn't make much difference."

Dave does his shopping in late summer, usually in conjunction with a Toronto meeting. "We've tried to buy the toys locally," he said, "but we just can't get the prices that we get in Toronto. If we had to buy them here we couldn't hold this party.

"We try to keep the costs down so we can use all the money for the kids. Our constitution doesn't allow the use of union funds for things like gifts, so all the money is raised during the year by holding drives and fund-raising events.

"That's where our members really come through," he said, "They all pitch into raise the funds. Preparations for next year will begin just as soon as we clean up here today. In fact, we already have some cash in the bank for next year's party."

Irtook about \$41,000 to buy all the gifts for this year's party. Since the party and other preparations are done on a volunteer basis, virtually all the money goes toward gifts.

Dave buys enough to give each child a choice among four toys, "We don't give them wrapped toys, We don't want any kid going home with something he doesn't want or something he already has. The only problem this way is that sometimes the kids can't make up their minds."

The scheme means that some toys are left over every year, and Local 6500 donates them annually to about a dozen local charities.

"This year we'll have at least 1,000 toys to give away," he said. While he's getting to be something of an expert in Christmas shopping, he readily admits there's a built-in margin of error that's bard to eliminate.

"You just can't belp it. "There's about 100 different kinds of toys here and about 10 per cent of them are going to be duds."

Santa gives his all at U.S.W.A. party

Stuffing himself down chimneys sounds tough enough, but Santa's visit to the Steelworkers Christmas party would have left a lesser man whimpering.

Over L000 kids on his knees in a five-hour period, all pouring out their most cherished wishes to a continually attentive and understanding Santa.

Now that's the Christmas spirit. Worker safety representative Dave Hartling knows Santa well. In fact, he knows him so well that he's very knowledgeable about what it's like to walk in his shoes.

"Santa certainly had his hands full." said Dave, "He began at 9 a.m. and disln't see daylight until 3 p.m. Of course there was a noon hour rest to recharge his batteries, He just couldn't believe there was that many kids at Inco."

It's Dave's second year at the

United Steelworkers of America Local 6500 annual Christmas party, and he doesn't regret volunteering for the job last year when another volunteer failed to show.

"Santa loves kids," he said,
"They help him get into the
Christmas spirit,"

Santa gave the last youngster as much attention as the first. Most youngsters were asked their name, age, what they wanted for Christmas and if they've been good all year. While the first three questions usually elicited an immediate response, the latter was more soul searching.

"I'm not sure," mused one fiveyear-old.

And from Santa's Most Unusual list comes two requests from a couple of pre-school youngsters.

"They wanted chain saws," said an astounded Santa.



Jonathan Burke, 4, didn't miss a chance to put in an early order with Santa.



The Steelworkers Hall becomes one of the busiest spots in Sudbury when well over 3,000 youngsters pick up their toys.



Christine Gareau, 3, son of Levack Mine cage tender Jack Gareau, gives Santa the old thumbs up for a safe trip to her house this Christmas.



Amanda, 8, daughter of North Mine maintenance mechanic Gerry Taillefer, takes a serious pose during interrogation.



Creighton Mine's Dave Stalker, (right), has a hard time keeping up with the supply of toys on the tables.



Coleman Mine's Al LaPierre: Some guys never grow up.





Mistletoe and apples

By Ellen L. Heale, P.Ag.

In ancient times, pagan rituals celebrated the winter solstice - the shortest day of the year preceding winter. Over time, these customs were modified and gradually accepted by the Church and Christianity. Fire was an important element in ancient celebrations, it was representative of the sun. Today the Yule log, candles and fireplaces are a traditional part of the Yuletide season. (If you run out of candlesticks, use apples as holders in a table centrepiece.) The Norse name for Yuletide meant the beginning of a new year.

Far more ancient than the Christmas tree, was the custom of kissing beneath the mistletoe. From The Christmas Book "This evergreen, a symbol of goodwill and love, was an omen of long life, fertility and happiness for those who kissed beneath it. Called allheal, mistletoe was finally accepted by the Church, which was quick to proclaim it a symbol of Christ, the Divine Healer." The traditional English kissing ball (kissing bough or ring) was a crown of evergreens, candles and seven apples surrounding the mistletoe and suspended from the ceiling.

Pagan festivals also included holly and ivy - "which by remaining evergreen. defied the winter and therefore promised the return of the sun." The Church Christianized pagan winter solstice celebrations by producing mystery plays. With illiteracy during the Middle Ages, these plays "taught the laity the New Testament by dramatizing episodes from the life of Christ, often using some of the trappings of ancient man. The evergreen or Paradise Tree was hung with apples and symbolized the temptation and fall of Adam and Eve."

The Christmas tree is often the main decoration in the home over the holidays. With its color and fragrance. the evergreen tree symbolizes life, light and joy. Records of the first ornamented trees came from 17th century France, Evergreens were decorated with apples and white Eucharist wafers (representing salvation). Christmas trees were popular throughout Germany and much of Europe by the early 1800s. Fir trees, 1 to 1.2 meters high were set on tabletops and decorated with candles, pastry figures, sugar ornaments and gilded paper roses. Original ornaments also included strings of cranberries and popcorn, paper chains, paper cones or baskets filled with candy and cardboard cutouts of birds,

animals and Christmas figures. The custom of decorating trees was brought to England by Prince Albert of Germany after his marriage to Queen Victoria in 1840. Angel-topped trees glowed with candles, toys, dolls and candies.

It was the middle of the 19th century before many Christmas customs were fully celebrated in the United States. "Floor to ceiling" Christmas trees originated there, along with public Christmas trees - the city of Pasadena placed a lit tree atop Mount Wilson in 1909. At colonial Williamsburg, Christmas decor included evergreens, pineapples, pomegranates, lemons and limes. Woolworths was responsible for popularizing handmade German glass ornaments. Handmade ornaments often reflect customs and traditions. For example, it is a Ukrainian custom to have a spider and web in the tree. Neighbors to the south decorate with chili peppers

and braided garlic.

Modern decorating techniques include theme trees, colour coordinated decorations (and trees), edibles such as cookies and candies or natural, with strings of cranberries, popcom, apples, pine cones, dried flowers and herbs. The top of the tree is

symbolic, often featuring a star or angel. When decorating remember to put the lights on the tree first, starting at the top and working your way down.

Wreaths and garlands are also an important part of the tradition of bringing evergreens indoors. Traditional evergreens, to decorate doors and windows or encircle candles, included fir, rosemary, holly, ivy, mistletoe and herbs. However, a wide range of materials are available in your yard for holiday decorating. Instead of traditional evergreens, dried grasses and herbs may be used to create swags or plaques. One type of greenery, such as white pine, can be the basis for a wreath. Interesting wreaths may also be created from an assortment of materials including blue spruce, fir, cedar, golden juniper, rose hips and dried

Gather twigs during midmorning and clip to lengths of 12 to 15 cm. Remove the foliage at the base of the twig. Store them in a plastic bag in a cool place until ready for use. A wreath made from fresh materials will last longer outdoors and is less likely to dry out. Wreath frames can be made from wire, straw or grapevines. Bunches of twigs are attached with floral pins or #22 gauge florist wire. Wire cutters and clippers or pruners are also useful, Pine cones, nuts and fruit are attractive additions. To attach apples and oranges, insert a 0.5 m length of #16 gauge floral wire through the centre of the fruit and bend the ends down the side, towards the base and twist the wires at the back of the wreath.

For additional information on Christmas traditions, craft and decorating ideas and recipes, consult an Ortho Books publication (1987). The Christmas Book - A Treasury of the Sights, Sounds, Crafts, Tastes and Joys of the Season, at your local library or bookstore. Past Christmas issues of the Triangle have featured information on care of Christmas plants (December 1988), Christmas plant lore (November 1989) and living Christmas trees (January 1990).

Due to a growing list of demands on her time, Ellen has announced that this will be her last column. We at the Triangle, along with many of our readers, have been the beneficiaries of a great deal of information that Ellen has shared with us over the years, and we hope that she will one day revive this most valuable contribution to our publication.



A very special Christmas

by Marty McAllister

Emhappy to report that the world really is round, after all.

In my final preretirement week, two months of jubilant countdown went into a stall. This was really it. Suddenly. I felt as if I were slipping toward the edge of the earth. On my last day, I would simply drop off, never to be heard from again.

When I went through
the gate for the eightthousandth and last time,
at 11:10 Friday morning,
the security guard waved
as usual. If I were heading
for some dark chasm, he
didn't let on. As I turned
from Yesterday Lane onto
Tomorrow Drive, survival
seemed a distinct
possibility. Botheyes were
dry and there was no lump
in my throat. For that, I
could thank my wife.

An evening or two before, Muriel had asked me if I thought I would miss going to work, "Not the work as such," I had replied. "Just the people."

"Well then, you'll have to stay in touch."

Now, heading out to pick ber up for lunch, something made methink of Tom Parris. When the former Ontario Division vice president reached this stage some years back, he wisely noted that only enduring values survive retirement. Power and position disappear, leaving only genuine friendships.

I had gained little of the former two, but an abundance of the latter. It's true, I realized as I drove; the Inco men and women that had for so long been a special part of my life, will still be my friends. Somethings will change, but not that.

Merry Christmas, Tom. Speaking of which, it's beginning to look a lot like it. (Hmm. that would make a good song.)

While I slept, night before last, the snow came. It was powdery and beautiful, and all over everything. Even for such a non-athlete as me, the shovelling was a joy. Besides, the boss had to go to work. Someone has to.

After lunch, though, the chimney cleaners weren't quite astaken with the winter wonderland of it all. The day before, the ground had been clear and the weather perfect. Now, they had to bundle up, take extra care with their ladder, watch their footing on the roof, and eliminate all reindeer tripping hazards. But they persevered, for theirs is important work — especially this time of year.

The rugged type

There's a timeless quality about preparing the stove and bringing in the wood for winter. It used to upset Bud Germa something awful, but maybe there's something to the notion that, deep down, we Canadians are "hewers of wood and drawers of water," after all. And, these days, we'd better hang hard and fast to anything that's part of being Canadian.

Besides, it gives me a certain kinship with Sudburians of a century ago. The prospect of soaring hydrorates would have been foreign to them, but frosty realities were not.

Things change . . .

A hundred years ago this month, the Sudbury Journal was heading toward its first Christmas — with a mix of just about everything that local citizens might care to read.

On December 3, 1891, the weekly paper noted that, "On Friday and Saturday nights the thermometer crawled down to 15 degrees below zero. It was just what is called fine weather in this part of the country."

It wasn't yet one of the 10 best places to live, but they were working on it even in the face of a slumping market and the suits and counter-suits between S.J. Ritchie and Canadian Copper.

A seasonal local jotting caught my eye: "On Wednesday, Dec. 16th, the ladies connected with the Church of the Epiphany will hold their second Christmas sale of useful and fancy articles at McCormick's Hall, Sudbury. We are informed that no fancy prices are charged..."

Those ladies would never have imagined that the tradition they began would outlive more than one church building.

Holes in the ozone layer weren't discussed back then, but the following week's Journal did report: "The weather has been very mild and pleasant all this week. It would be much better for the general health, but harder on the wood pile, if it was considerably colder."

And the Christmas advertising of local merchants also warmed up: "It is reported that the price of nickel has advanced, but no such thing can be said of the dry goods at Paul's!"

We could use a rumor like that.

... things stay the same.

The Christmas Eve edition again reviewed the weather: "All kinds of weather during the past week, fair, cloudy, snow, rain, warm and 15 degrees below zero."

So, what's new?

Neither the town nor the paper had been around very long and Mr. Orr's editorial said: "If, as Dickens says, Christmas is the great day for the young, then Sudbury and The Journal ought to take particular enjoyment in it."

Girls were expected to be shy then, but some went too far. "It is said there is a young lady in town who is so modest that she retires to her room to change her mind."

And their optimism led to new ideas that might boost the industry. A meeting had been held to organize The Sudbury Custom Smelter Company. It was to be located on a piece of C.P.R. property, "two miles down the track." That would have been about where the creosote plant used to be -oops, okay, about where the industrial park is along Lorne Street, Anyway, the ill-fated venture included such prominent names as James Stobie, Stephen Fournier, Frank Cochrane and my old pal Aeneas McCharles. The season had just closed at the Port of Montreal, from which total shipments of "nickel ore and matte ... amounted to a little over 885 tons."

Now, that has changed! And they told shopping jokes:

"Customer: (to dry goods clerk) You have called me a liar. You must take that back.

"Clerk: We never take anything back. But I can change it for you. How would you like to be called a thief?"

Then they, as we still do, grew serious with their wishes of peace and goodwill. I don't think P. Frawley, Sr. would mind if I piggy-backed on the general merchant's advertisement of 100 years ago: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my customers and friends."

And a hearty congratulations to two Sudbury enterprises that are 100 years old this year: Journal Printing, and Muirhead's (Baikie's Book Store) Stationers, T'was the night before Christmas, that season sublime.

Inco closed so its workers could enjoy Christmas time.

Mom said,"I wonder what gift I'll receive?"

"Got a new dryer last Christmas Eve.

"The year before that, I got a new range.

"I'd like something special for me for a change!

"I'd like a fur coat, it wouldn't have to be mink.

"Or some real French perfume would be lovely,I think."

Christmas morning she found a mysterious key!

Could it be for a car?What else could it be!

So what did she see parked out in the snow

But a brand new snow-blower with a lovely red bow!

By Anna Earley Wife of James Earley,pensioner. Motor man at Creighton Mine,9 shaft.

Untitled

Many years ago
When I worked for Inco
Christmas time was go, go, go.
Drudging through the snow
We would mail cards to those we
know.

The price of a stamp was reasonably low.

Seven kids, all my own, to take to the show.

All of this sponsored by good old Inco.

Each and every one, a gift they would tow,

Making their faces all aglow, With Santa Claus and a ho! ho! ho!

Christmas bonuses used to flow.

Helping the workers to celebrate with a tip, tap, toe.

His or her wild oats to sew, The price of a bottle, a case and even a bow,

Again a gift of good old Inco.

I've worked on the surface and down below.

Although illiterate I kept with the flow.

No discrimination shown by Inco. I done my work, they paid me my dough.

A better employer I will never know.

I'm a pensioner now, learning to know,

How to read and write words, like yes and no.

Proud to write names like Mary, John, and Joe.

Able to read road signs like yield, stop and go.

Just a senior citizen who worked at

William Primeau, pensioner, Retired 1973 from Levack.

Editor's note: Mr. Primeau writes that his wife helped put his words down on paper because he hasn't finished his struggle with illiteracy. We wish him well.



Eddie DeMore: Keeping the Christmas spirit.

A Garson Christmas

Brightly decorated but unlit, the Garson Christmas tree stands in the mine's deserted dry like a defiant reminder of better days.

It's been years since it kindled the Christmas spirit for a full complement of Garson miners. Even the last few remaining crews who occasionally frequented the dry have been pulled out this year.

If it wasn't for Eddie DeMore, the tree might as well be at the bottom of the Garson pit.

"I plan to eat my packed lunch
... Christmas dinner ... under the
tree this year," said the Garson
pumpman. "I'll bring in my
Christmas tapes and listen to
Christmas music, I'll make do. It'll
be okay."

Like the tree, Eddie will be alone "holding down the fort" at Garson this Christmas. He misses the buzz of activity and the conversation, but that's something he's been able to get used to in the last few years at Garson.

It's just that this year, it'll be Christmas, too.

"I'm working a 12-hour shift on Christmas Day this year. I think it's the first time I've worked the holiday in 27 years with Inco," he said.

Eddie is one of just four people who take turns making sure everything stays in working order until that day in the future when the mine goes back into production. He takes care of the pumps, takes water samples, pulls sludge from the water treatment plant and checks all the buildings. "It's a lonely job," he said. "but somebody's got to do it."

The tree's been expecting Eddie for years. "They left it behind when things closed down here. They simply put a plastic bag over it and stored it in the dry."

How long it's been there he doesn't know. Up until just a few months ago, a skeleton crew still worked at the mine. The final withdrawal was in late November when a handful of researchers left.

"I talk to myself sometimes. I figure as long as I don't answer myself I'll be okay."

Eddie isn't complaining. "It's a good job and you get used to the loneliness. It's even helped my home life a bit. My wife and son think I've turned into a blabbermouth. When I get home at night I can't wait to talk to someone.

"Christmas will be okay. When I get home at 7 p.m. I'll get a couple of hours sleep and get up and open the presents. Be nice if it was different, but you got to earn a buck."

Remembering a Christmas Eve

It was a brilliant moonlit night but extremely cold. The jolly old driver and I were alone on the bus as it lumbered into Lively, a small town in Northern Ontario where I grew

With hair of snowy white peeping from under his blue cap, the man behind the wheel spoke incessantly about his grandchildren and of the festive fun he had planned for later on that night. "One more stop," he said, "then I'm off to trade in my bus uniform for a red suit. Every year I get to play Santa for the little ones." And as he said it he gave me a good-natured grin and his eyes twinkled.

The bus followed its usual route through town and at length ground to a halt on the frozen pavement. The folding doors flew open and a whooshing sound they made resounded through the still, frosty air. "Happy Holidays," the driver said cheerily as I stepped off. Then the bus labored away into the night belching out gouts of diesel fumes, part of which hung in a cloud under the glow of a solitary street lamp.

I slung my duffle bag over my shoulder and huddled a little deeper into my woolen mackinaw. Only a few more blocks to go and at last my long journey from the big city of Toronto would be over. When I had to leave home to serve time in reform school, I had no idea then of the loneliness and despair I would have to endure, nor of the anguish I must have left behind for Mom and Dad.

But that was yesterday, and now I quickened my pace as I was eager to arrive home in time for the festivities.

Along our street there were the familiar spruce trees that rose higher than the rooftops. Above the snowladen branches the moon rolled as it passed through a cloudless sky. How often I had climbed these trees in past years! The two-storey house we lived in came into full view, partly thrown in deep shadow, and partly lit up by the cold moonshine.

As I approached the house, I heard the distinct sound of a guitar strumming and now and then a burst of laughter coming from within. They were familiar sounds for it was customary that some of our aunts and uncles joined us on Christmas Eve.

Mom greeted me at the door dressed in her favorite blue dress with a neat apron tied at the waist. She was a shy woman and she expressed a simple smile of joy at seeing her son again. Dad hadn't changed much during my year of absence. His dark hair had receded a bit but even at his age, none of it was grey.

The house glowed with warmth and good cheer. Lights on the Christmas tree filled the living room with halos of green, red and yellow. Mom had hung holly over the pictures and a big spray of mistletoe hung over the doorway. A wonderful aroma of meat pie cooking reminded me that I hadn't had dinner. It was good to be home!

"The meat pie is ready," mom announced after all greetings were complete. And the ritual began. Everyone squeezed around the dining room table and we all said Grace. It was warm and comfortable.

The large, oaken table was abundantly spread with a variety of candies, fruits and pastries. It all looked and smelled wonderfully delicious but everyone's favorite was the traditional meat pie, heavily spiced and served piping hot. The recipe belonged to my great grandmother, brought over from Quebec, and remains a standing dish on Christmas Eve.

While we feasted and chattered noisily the mirth surrounding the table was greatly enhanced by Dad's humor and wit. He was a great story-teller. When he began to tell his stories he laughed often, and his eyes watered in merriment. Occasionally one of his tales would focus on a family member, who would in turn blush while the rest of us held our bellies in laughter.

Another favorite at the table was Uncle Maurice. He was a jovial, heavy-set man with a head of thick, wavy hair. He and Dad were the best of friends and together they created infinite merriment.

Uncle Maurice would delight both young and old with his guitar playing and could sing a scrap of a song to suit any occasion.

As soon as the meal was over and the wine punch introduced, Uncle Maurice tuned his guitar and began singing Christmas songs. One of the songs he sang: 'There's No Place Like Home For The Holidays', made me melancholy and brought me close to tears. The song reminded me that I had a lot to be thankful for.

After singing a few more Christmas songs the tempo increased and some of the adults danced to the tune of 'The Merry Christmas Polka'. Aunt Marie, a short, plump woman, visiting from Toronto, danced with Dad and their wild rompings shook the hardwood floors and made the wine glasses tinkle. The onlookers tucked in their toes whenever the dancers drew near.

From my seat among the circle of chairs I was delighted at all the merriment taking place. As long as I can remember Christmas Eve was always celebrated this way at home, and I had Mom and Dad to thank for holding on to these traditions. It was their policy to make us feel that home was the happiest place in the world and I value this delicious feeling as one of the greatest gifts a parent can bestow.

Gradually the party wound down to a murmur and as the people left there was the affectionate sharing of hugs and best wishes for the Christmas Season. Before heading upstairs to bed I stopped at the hallway to say good night to Mom and Dad. They would be up a little while longer putting gifts under the tree.

I had scarcely gotten into bed when a strain of music aerated from the street just below my window. I listened, and found it came from a group of carollers, which I concluded must be people from the neighborhood. They were moving up the street singing at each house as they went.

I drew aside my curtain to hear them more distinctly and when I did the moonbeams partially lit up my bedroom. The sounds as they receded became more and more aerial and seemed to accord with quiet and moonbeam. I listened and listened—they became more tender and remote, and as they gradually died away, my head sank upon my pillow and I fell asleep.

Bill Horner, Inco pensioner

Editor's note: Mr. Horner wins our Christmas writing contest with this story of a fondlyremembered Christmas.

Retirements increase workload

Teamwork key to Benefits' success

By any measurement, Inco's voluntary early retirement program was a smash success.

The numbers confirm it -1,169 applicants out of 1,670 eligible employees.

So do the results - close to double the desired reduction in the Ontario Division workforce.

But Terry Duncan prefers a different measuring stick.

Smiles.

Lots of smiles, in all shapes and sizes.

As supervisor of Employee Benefits. Terry and his staff have seen more smiles in the last two months than some people see in a lifetime.

The massive exodus of employees under the terms of the voluntary early retirement offer, should have been a logistical nightmare for Terry and his small staff of eight.

Their's was the task of mailing letters to eligible employees, accumulating and updating employee records, calculating pension and incentive values, scheduling and conducting interviews with every participant in the program and reconciling the pension payroll.

The assignment didn't get any easier when two members of Terry's staff. Dave Yeomans and Jack Moskalyk, elected to partake of the early retirement offer themselves.

Did they crack?

Not on your life.

Shored up by the invaluable assistance of others around the Ontario Division, Terry and his staff completed the first and largest leg of their mission last week when December's pension payroll was

"From a benefits administration point of view, it was nice to see so many smiling faces around the office," said Terry, referring to the endless stream of retirees in and out of the downtown Scotia Tower. "That alone shows this early retirement incentive was a good offer."

Judging by the response, "good" may be understating the fact. Past offers have attracted 35 to 40 per cent participation, as compared to 70 per cent this time. In 20 years at Inco, Terry has seen four previous offers, but none approaching the enormity of this one.

"Processing 1,169 pension applications is a pretty imposing task, said Terry. "From day one we stressed that it had to be a team effort to accomplish this. We needed to keep everyone focussed, aware of our goals and targets so that each person was a part of the process.

"Fortunately, we had an experienced team of Benefits personnel which had been through the process before and knew what was required. This was complemented by experienced people from other departments. So we had a good nucleus.

The Benefits team of Terry, Bob Archibald, Dave Bradley, Richard Myher, Lorna Seguin, Diane Olivier, Nancy Baldisera and retirees Dave Yeomans and Jack Moskalyk, were assisted in their efforts by Cec Goudreau, Ray Joly, Brian Caldwell, Arlene Julian, Cheryl Buss, Lisa Ducharme, Marlene McGhee, Donna Halverson, Bob O'Brien, Isabel Scott, Christine Desjardins and Helen Gordon.

"It was a total team effort," said Terry. "There was no distinction between permanent staff and outside help. What these people accomplished is super-human. I can't describe it. It's just miraculous and I'm very proud of all of them.

"With the strain, stress and time constraints involved there were no confrontations. Everyone maintained a sense of professionalism and at the same time a sense of

Sitting across from retiring employees is nothing new to Benefits counsellor Dave Bradley. But seldom has the 25-year Inco veteran faced such a steady diet of eight or more interviews a day.

"Our job is to advise people of their options and counsel them the best way we can to their advantage," said Dave, "When a person leaves this area here, for all intents and purposes this is the last time they see Inco. We strive to ensure the employees and spouses have a complete understanding of everything pertinent to their case."



Benefits counsellor Robert Archibald discusses pension details with a retiree.

Spouses are encouraged to accompany employees to all formal interviews. Topics addressed during these meetings include amount of pension entitlement up to and after 65 years of age, pension entitlement to surviving spouse, medical coverage and how best to handle the incentive funds.

"For example," said Dave. "An employee may wish to roll the incentive into a Registered Retirement Savings Plan, take it as income or a combination of the two.

"Fortunately, we were dealing with an experienced group of retirees. They've been through past incentive offers and many have taken the pre-retirement planning sessions offered by the company. I think this helped allay a certain amount of fear."

Nancy Baldisera, a Benefits clerk with 21 years at Inco, spent most of the last two months on the phone and at the typewriter.

She coordinated the typing of pension documents and scheduling of interviews for participating employees.

"All those electing to retire have to come in and sign their pension papers at the same time they come for a formal interview," said Nancy. "We try to make sure they arrive with the proper documentation so they won't have to make two trips."

Documents required include a marriage certificate, the spouse's social insurance number and birth certificates for both.

"In the case of a common-law marriage we need an affadavit from the courthouse stating how long the couple has been together," she said. "It's all part of the process involved in qualifying for survivor's benefits.

"Considering the bulk of paper processed and the number of people interviewed, it all went very

"We put in a lot of overtime



The phenomenal success of Inco's voluntary early retirement offer meant volumes of work for Benefits employees like Diane Olivier, standing, and Lorna Seguin.

until we got some extra bodies."

One of those extra bodies was Ray Joly.

No stranger to helping out the Benefits department during retirement incentive offers, Ray left his job as area supervisor of Industrial Relations at the Levack Complex in September and stayed at the Scotia Tower until December 4.

This was his fifth stint lending a hand in Benefits - the others coming in '82, '84, '85 and '88. Like others in the department, this was the biggest incentive response Ray had ever encountered.

"I did interviews, calculations, administrative work and basically anything that needed doing," said Ray, with Inco since 1965. "This was the type of project I enjoy immensely, even though it involved a lot of work and a lot of deadlines.

"It allowed me to meet a lot of people from the company, not only

from my own area, but from all over our operations - and their spouses as well.

"We've got a lot of high-class employees working for us. It gives you a different perspective on the quality of the employees we have when you sit down and talk to them - they're all high-class."

Coming from outside the Benefits department didn't pose a problem, said Ray, because everyone realized they needed each other to get the job done.

"It had to be a team effort," he said. "If we hadn't had the kind of team cooperation we did, we never could have accomplished the task in the time we had to do it."

Complete list of retirees appears on Pages 13, 14 and 15.



The Benefits team, from left, are: (front) Christine Desjardins, Diane Olivier, Nancy Baldisera, Isabel Scott, Lorna Seguin, Mariene McGhee (rear) Richard Myher, Robert O'Brien, Brian Caldwell, Robert Archibald, David Bradley, Terry Duncan, Cheryl Buss, Donna Halverson and Lisa Ducharme.

A fond farewell, best wishes!

After long and distinguished careers with Inco, some 1,200 of our people are retiring over the next few weeks and months. In all, they have given 40,000 years of loyal service in making Inco the best nickel company around. That's what we call a class act!

Congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

President, Ontario Division

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Employees answer United Way call

Never have so few, given so much, to so many.

Nophrase better describes the record-setting \$353,437 donation to the United Way from Inco-Limited, its employees and its pensioners.

Despite a 15 per cent reduction in the workforce since last year's campaign, the Inco/United Steelworkers of America employee canvass reached an alltime high for the eighth consecutive year with \$218,157 in donations, surpassing last year's mark of \$217,281.

Coupled with Inco's corporate contribution of \$120,000 and the pensioners' gift of \$15,280, the amazing total represents better than 33 per cent of the projected Sudbury United Way Campaign total of \$1,065,000. "It's a wonderful achievement," said Ontario Division president Jim Ashcroft. "It's nice to see the company, the union and employees working together for the good of the community on a worthwhile cause like the United Way. This example of teamwork and generosity bodes well for 1992,"

The 1991 employee canvass represents the largest single donation by employees of a company in the eight years of United Way in Sudbury. It's an accomplishment Dave Campbell, president of Local 6500, finds amazing.

"We've always said the generosity of the workforce at Inco, the members of Local 6500, is something to behold," said Campbell.

"We haven't always enjoyed good times. We've been through extended shutdowns, labor disputes and poor nickel markets. But in good times the employees remember and transfer those memories into contributions to the community through organizations like the United Way."

Local 6600 president Harold Love agrees.

"It's an obligation of the community and corporations to help those in need and the United Way is one avenue to do this," he said, "It has our full support."

Barb Gendron, executive director of the United Way in Sudbury, said her organization is thrilled by the Inco results.

"Inco employees have outdone themselves again," she said. "It's gratifying to see that even with the reduced workforce the employees were able to match and surpass last year's mark."



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