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HAPPY SOLSTICE!

SANTA SQUATTING?

Not long ago, say two thousand years, there was no Christmas. There hadn't been a Christ yet, so they couldn't call it that. However, they still celebrated. They called it winter solstice and people got off, just like us, big dinners, presents, drinks, love. What made them happy was the fact that the sun had strayed as far south as it was going to and the days were going to get longer, life was returning, they had made it through another winter. . . . a celebration of life and birth. Why not? They had lotsa neat customs, many of which are still with us. If they met an enemy under some mistletoe a truce was declared. Why not? They burned a huge log (and at that time of year it's extravagant) at



solstice and kept a portion unburned to light the new fire of the year. . . . rebirth. . . . why not? They decorated with holly. . . . why not? The Norsemen believed that good luck would befall a household if the goddess Hertha appeared in

the fireplace. . . . Santa's forerunner. . . . Why not? And then came the Christians. . . . they were people who followed Jesus Christ around. He was born around solstice time but oddly enough they were more into celebrating the death of their remarkable figures than their birth.

A few hundred years after he died they realized they couldn't get anyone up for another party after solstice so they thought they better cash in on the ready-made promotion and celebrate Jesus' birthday on December 25th.

As time went on the Christian element increased while the pagans slowly disappeared. Missionary (cont'd pg 2)

OFFICIAL change in NOMENCLATURE

Alta Lake, B.C. (WA) The Committee of the Whole made public last night an official change in nomenclature for the term used to describe "those who habituate in the Forest." The old term "squatter" was removed from the Official Vocabulary and replaced by the term "trespasser."

Report has it that the new definition was advanced by the small but vocal faction of the Committee known as the "Boosters." They argued that the change was necessary so as to reflect the latest current in recent political direction and it was passed after only limited discussion.

Local response to this unprecedented move is unusually quiet but generally believed to be in opposition. As long-time resident Dr. Munday stated, "It hit me like a bucket of cowshit!"

Public reaction to this latest act of Boosterism is expected to begin in the near future.



REGIONAL LAND MANAGER DON HEHN p.6

Whistler, B.C. (WA) The Answer staff has completed another of its exhaustive studies. It seems that at the North Pole (both magnetic and actual) there are no records with their Land Management Branch of any S. Claus. Are we to presume that Santa is occupying Crown Land illegally? And this toy factory business! We are aware the land is not zoned commercial.

Yet, we've decided after much consultation, to push the point no further. His reputation, his concern for the environment, and the fact that he has occupied the land for many years, has led us to say, "live and let live."

POLICE REPORT

The R.C.M.P. presented their November Report to Council on Monday. It seems that over the last month our finest have brought under investigation 113 cases. (Not including traffic and Municipal By-Law infractions.) Of these, three involve illicit drugs. They have cleared 5 cases, 3 of which were the drug cases. One alderman was reported to have commented, "It's a good thing they've got a drug problem... it keeps their average up."

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Gemini: You will probably be fighting with yourself for most of this month. We do not foresee a pleasant ending for either of you.

Cancer: Loss of hair is directly proportional to loss of popularity.

Leo: Your tendency toward petty jealousy and your brooding insensitivity make you an unbearable companion. "Get thee to a nunnery."

Virgo: This is your month for social diseases. Avoid all contact with the human race and watch for sight problems and mental instability.

Libra: Financial ruin is yours. Your ability to overspend your income combining with the loss of your job on the 8th, to drive you to suicide by the 19th.

Scorpio: You will be even more irritating than usual this month, and your selfishness, vulgarity and rudeness, turn the whole world against you. There is no hope.

Sagittarius: All your mental problems manifest themselves physically, plaguing you with excruciating headaches & continuous nausea, until early summer.

Capricorn: Whatever material health you possess will vanish mysteriously on the 24th. You will be left with nothing. Chin up. We all have our crosses to bear.

Aquarius: Death by drowning may be your fate. Avoid all contact with water. Use baking soda to brush your teeth.

Pisces: You will probably choke to death on a fish-bone towards the end of the month. Obtain hint from Aquarius.

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Chesterton

(Cont'd from Front Page)

zeal you know... And Christmas became an essentially Christian holiday. And this has continued on 'til today with the pagan and Christian element intermingling... Jesus sitting on Santa's knee and Mom kissing the minister under the mistletoe.

So if you find yourself getting a little cynical during last minute Xmas shopping — the colour of Uncle Joe's Christmas tie really couldn't matter less, and the Salvation Army's rendition of "Silent Night Holy Night" isn't quite doing what it used to remember, the days are getting longer, the sun's coming back and if they've been celebrating this long, why buck tradition? Happy Holidays.

EDITORIAL

This was originally conceived as a Christmas Issue. But try as we may the best Christmas stuff we could come up with, was stories that have already been told, recipes for eggnog, and worn out tinsel. With two agnostics and a Jew, what d'ya expect? A partridge in a pear tree?

We researched "Christmas" in the library in Squamish... came up with zilch, and decided to go back a little further... we found it interesting. We hope you do too.

To all those who helped, again thanx. This time it really couldn't have been done without you.

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Whistler is at last receiving a bit of a boost culturally with some high quality music, much of it due to the efforts of Christiana manager Bill Farquar. As well as bringing the bigger names to town, local musicians have been getting some action too. **Skunk Cabbage Revue** opened for **John Hammond**, with a little help from **Rider J. Riley**. An unusual setup here, too, with a seated audience, stage lighting and concert sound by Kelly Deyong.

We've also had the **Good Brothers**, **Jack Smith**, and regular visits by **Doc Fingers** (at J.B.'s), **Blue Northern** and **Six Cylinder Waves**, a jazz influenced west coast group, play regularly at the **Keg now**, too.

To the south, **Brackendale Galleries** always has something on weekends. In Vancouver soon: **Pied Punk**

at the **Commodore** Dec. 23, **Downchild** at the body shop until New Years, **Pied Pear & Brent Titcomb** at the **Q.E. Playhouse** Jan. 8th, and **Waves** at the **Cultural Centre** Jan. 22nd.



BRUCE MILLER at the office accompanied by **Brent Shindel** on guitar, **Joe Macken** on bass of all things, and **Jack Smith** for awhile. The office is a discotheque now.

the lifting of skirts and loose tights.

Highlights from the evening included a rendition of "Silent Night" accompanied by violin virtuoso, **Doug Smith**, who, during our interview had little to say except for questioning my motives behind wanting his name.

A future **Salvation Army** sergeant was seen in the oration of **Brad Rustad** as he girded the audience through Christmas cheers and good tidings. Comic relief was provided by **Duncan Maxwell**. And will the young starlings who sang their very own version of the "Twelve Days of Christmas," ever reach the pinnacle of success as back-up **Tartlettes** for **Bette Midler**?

On Tuesday evening, I attended, along with about 100 other screaming fans and proud parents, the **Myrtle Phillip Elementary School Christmas Concert**, featuring Christmas carols, the most recent version of "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" the classic "Twas The Night Before Christmas" and Dickens' "Christmas Carol."

There were a number of children who exhibited previously undiscovered and therefore unrecognized talents, as well as exhibiting previously unseen physiques through

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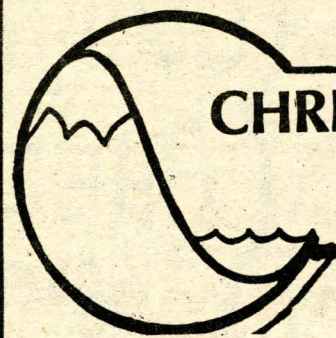
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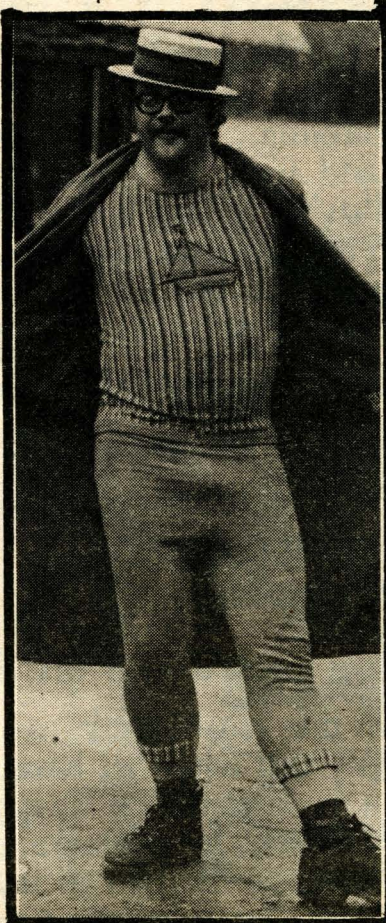


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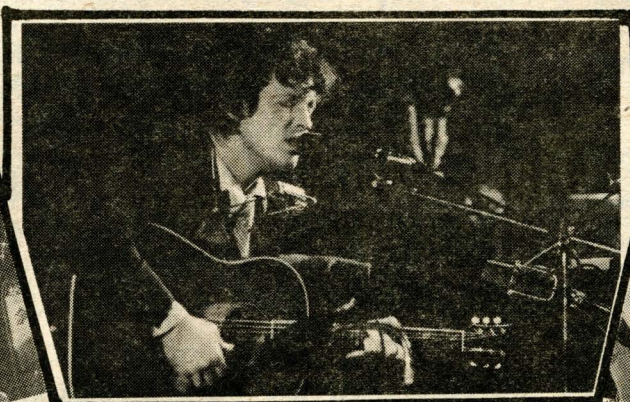
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Assorted trivia



"It's a yucky part of my job. It's depressing."

On November 17th, eviction notices were posted or delivered to several residences in the Municipality of Whistler. The notices stated that the residents must vacate the premises and remove the buildings by March 31st, 1978. The signature on the forms was that of Donald R. Hehn. We decided to talk with him.

The scene is set in a modern, fluorescent lit concrete and steel government building in an obscure area of Burnaby, in between the Sheraton Villa and the freeway. There is something about these buildings which makes me feel a little uneasy and defensive. Too much like school perhaps.

No microphone for the tape recorder — we'll have to take notes. No paper to take notes on, we'll have to borrow it. We're not going to look very professional. He'll bite our heads off, if he's big and mean.

Mr. Hehn turns out to be, in fact, very big — not tall but stout — but not particularly mean. He seems open to discuss the issue. He refers to the evictees as "trespassers," although not with a vindictive tone. He doesn't enjoy evictions, especially the messy ones he's experienced at a previous job in New Jersey, where they had to oust residents with families. "It's depressing," he says. His father was a homesteader in Alberta.

{ Questions by W.A.
Answers by Don Hehn, taken from notes.
Not verbatim at all times }

Q What first brought your attention to the situation of people living on unoccupied Crown Lands, at Whistler?

A We've known for sometime, but in the past we were short staffed. Now we have the staff. We cannot condone this since it would be unfair to the people of B.C. to allow this unmitigated trespassing. No conditions were promised to these people, and they have no lawful right to be there.

Q But specifically, how did you find out about these people?

A Our land officers are in Whistler on a regular basis and have known about trespassers for the past 10 years. Someone there has actually been on one site for 8 years. We know we haven't located all of them yet, but we'll get them all. We'll get informers to get the rest. Our officers drive into areas and investigate. They look at land status maps to see what's what. If there's someone there we like to go and talk to them to see what they have to say. We'll ask at the Post Office, local restaurants, etc. sometimes, to obtain information. Sometimes we don't get proper names. It's time con-

suming. Sometimes people will come in and apply for Crown leases, and when they're turned down they'll say, "But how come you gave so and so one and not me?" So and so, we'll check into that. And we get regular complaints.

Have there been alot of complaints lately? What do you mean by "alot"?

Have there been 10 complaints lately? Over the past 10 years there have been 10 complaints.

How much does it cost to investigate?

On our regular jobs we notice trespassers and when we have time, we pick up on it. To remove a trespasser costs about \$500.00 for officers, documents, traveling costs. We can try to recover costs from the people but mostly they disappear. It's futile.

How much do land branch officers make?

Starting salary is \$962.00 a month, with a degree in agriculture and forestry. When they are fully experienced they earn up to \$2,000.00 a month.

What about the section of The Land Act which was abolished in 1970 — does anyone have rights under that act from before that time?

No rights now. If they're sited prior to 1970, made an application, etc., then they might have a chance. Otherwise, that's all history.

Do you own any land at Whistler?

No, just a house in Delta.

Why did you sign the forms?

I'm responsible for all actions in this district.

Why are you acting now?

Our heads are high above water now [referring to staff]. If we delay actions, then the problem will get worse. Those people with those notions — about living will crowd into Whistler.

Rumour has it that local politicians pressured this office to act. Is this true?

No. I arrived here January 13, 1976 and the top of the list was trespass problems at Whistler. If it hadn't gotten so far out of hand, we may not have taken steps.

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Are you dealing with similar situations elsewhere?

Yes, it's a routine thing. Trespass makes up about 30% of our workload. In mass quantity, such as in Whistler, it doesn't usually happen - usually just an isolated case. Foreshore properties are a common trespass problem; people building structures over the water. Right now we're also dealing with an extensive trespass problem in Pender Harbour. Other instances have been up north such as in the Peace River area.

What will happen to the buildings?

We're trying to be as generous and reasonable as we can. Notice has been given to move off and remove buildings and possessions before March 31st. After that, 30 days notice will be given to anyone still on the land. Buildings and possessions will then be seized with a sheriff, and the R.C.M.P. will be on hand to deal with the people. I don't know if they would be charged, but they would be in violation of a number of laws and subject to penalties.

Who removes the buildings?

We hire contractors with bulldozers sometimes. And we burn them down, with the fastest service on hand to contain the fires.

Do you find it ironic that a country which was settled by people with no legal or moral right to the land, is now working so hard to stop even its own citizens from living on publicly owned lands?

The pioneers who settled this land all paid something for it, even if it was only a few dollars an acre. They had contractual agreements, as my father did in Alberta. The people of B.C. expect the government to regard this land as their property and they want the value of the land that is due to them and to the Crown. We don't want people on flood plains - there will be a bill to the government to fetch them out if there is a flood. Individuals cannot just take the land. We must protect land rights - guarantee home and property.

Is there any alternative for these people?

Yes, there's a lot of land for sale at Whistler now. It's expensive but land in B.C. is expensive everywhere.

Is there any chance of them being allowed to stay?

Normally, yes, sometimes by paying back rent and purchasing the land at its current market value. But we are not prepared to allow this at Whistler since none of the sites are in proper zones and they aren't serviced by roads, etc. People just can't move in and eventually own the land as they can in some States.

Q. Are there any recreational leases available in Whistler now?

A. No.

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Q. Are there any crown leases at Whistler from before?

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their raffle tickets for the New Year's Draw.

Further practices and even a game or two are planned for the New Year. Also, a trip to Banff for a tournament is in the works.

The general public now has the opportunity to support this novel idea by buying one of the aforementioned raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the great Whistler-type prizes being offered.

Also, congratulations must go out to the local businesses that have given the team their support.

The last couple of Monday afternoons have seen a somewhat motley collection of Whistler ski bums don the blades and take to the ice at the Columbian rink in Burnaby.

After much talk and typical spaced Whistler attempts to organize a team it appears that our young community may be the proud home of a real hockey team.

Coach Blalock has run the players through a couple of two hour sessions devoting half the time to much needed skating and passing drills with the rest of the practice spent scrimmaging.

An unexpectedly enthusiastic turnout of 25 have come out to see if they

still have the old prowess, even if they don't have the legs anymore.

Many of the players can be found expounding on past performances and quenching their undying thirst at Patsy's bar on Pender.

The rest of the team can be recognized by their pronounced limping and gainly efforts to sell off



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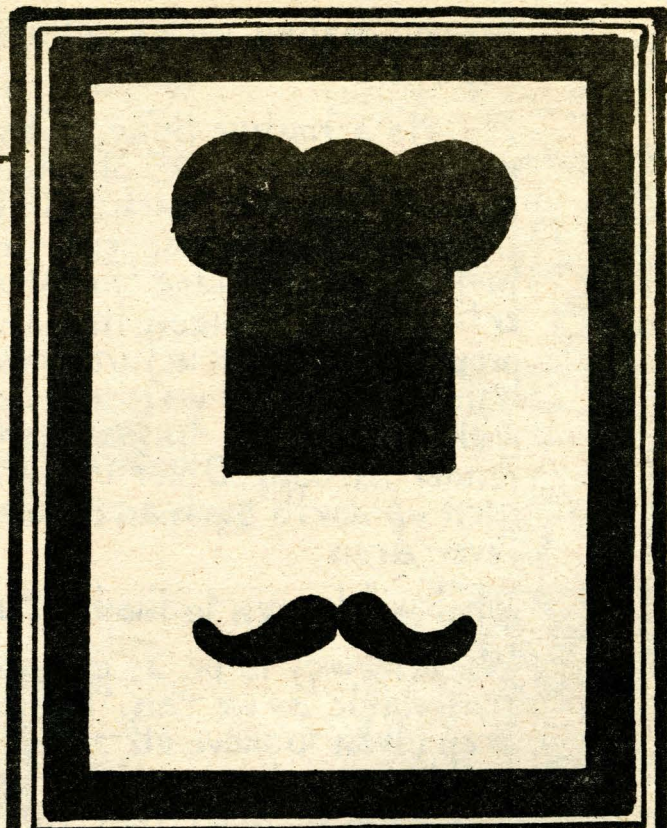
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SQUAMISH - The Whistler Washouts took the Squamish R.C.M.P. to the cleaners last month in a fine display of basket ball wizardry.

A good time was had by all and a rematch is being planned for the New Year.

PAGE NINE — THE ANSWER

Q Can you act on private land?
A Not really. It's of no concern to us.

It was suggested to me that some of your notices were posted on land which you had no jurisdiction over.

Yes, that's true — two instances on private land, one where the occupant didn't have permission to be there and one where he did. It's a giggle that it happened there.

Q Why can't people stay until the land is going to be used for something?

A They must delude themselves. We might not get around to evicting them for a year or so, but in 5 or 15 years it'll be that much harder for them to leave. Look at this place, for instance [he points at a photograph of a cedar-shaked garage]. This fellow has put alot of work into this place — they're not attractive buildings, but it's a shame to tear them down. And in another four years he will probably have added more to it. I don't want to have to oust families, like we did in New Jersey. Women with kids crying.

Overall you don't seem to eager to enforce the eviction notices.

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As a follow up to this interview, we wanted to talk to some people in our local government, especially Mayor Pat Carleton and our government appointed alderman, Al Raine. I spoke to Pat Carleton on the phone:

- Q Why have you not made any mention of the eviction of people living on Crown Land.
- A At the municipal level of government we have no jurisdiction over the control of Crown Lands.
- Q Mr. Hehn of land management told us that there would normally be a possibility of negotiating with trespassers to lease them the land, but none of the land at Whistler is zoned properly. Is there any possibility of changing the zoning regulations so that people could lease the land?
- A Well, laws can be changed. That's for council to decide, though, not me. I think one would have to present a pretty convincing argument to them in order to change the laws.
- Q Some people have suggested that local politicians put pressure on to the land management office to serve the eviction notices.
- A I've been asked that before and I would like to say that no one on council pushed the issue, at least not to my knowledge.
- Q What about your promises of low cost housing.
- A Well, I can't give you a definite date on that, but hopefully we will have some

Roads have one purpose I can figure and that's to get some place. That seems to be true whether you're standing, riding, running, cycling or sitting on your pack. So I figure we all have something in common. Since we all are going places and sometimes even to the old same place and since every one using the roads is trying to get there, why don't we help each other? Automobiles seem to be the quickest, warmest and sometimes safe (don't quote me on safe, hitchhiking will

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low cost housing units by the fall of next year (1978). Of course many of the people squatting now wouldn't want to live in low cost housing. If you told some of them that you'd rent a house to them for \$10.00 a month, they wouldn't want it because they want to be in the environment which they have. Some of these people have good paying jobs and they make as much money or more than you and I, so it's not always a question of money. Myself, I live on a lot leased from the Crown and if someone offered me a lot for, say \$5,000, I wouldn't take it because as much as I'd like to own my own land, I'd rather stay where I am.

Al Raine, appointed alderman and ski area co-ordinator for B.C., was not available for comment locally in time for publication. He allegedly was in his office which is situated in an obscure area of Burnaby in between the Sheraton Villa and the freeway.

Hitching to work one morning (cooking breakfast at the Cheakamus Inn), a car, the only car, the sealed up warmth which could have taken me out of the blizzard and to work, passed by. Their station wagon was parked in the Cheakamus parking lot when I arrived, and they were waiting; rather impatiently for breakfast.

it's a cold breeze that blows sometimes. ZZZooooom; Merry Christmas. ∞

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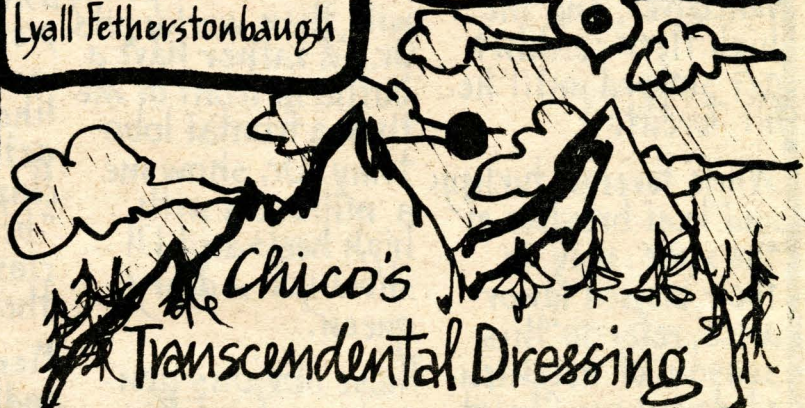
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let you know how many people can't drive) method of travel around Alta Lake. Sometimes cars don't want to run like the finely tuned machine you need when you parked

it last night. Sometimes cars drive themselves and such like. Sometimes they run out of gas. And to make matters worse, you have to be at the old same place soon. So put on those extra clothes; it could be a long wait.

After three winters of hitching around Whistler (I've got a car that runs now, sometimes) I find that the people who don't pick people up, are generally from out of town, and do not understand the principles of helping out. Maybe we can make an effort to help people get to the old same place, because



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are but forerunners for the main affront of Groucho Marxism, due to arrive any day now, the peachy pie platoon.

Leopold Kazinski B.S. (Pem.) PH.d. (Sq.) here. (Wolfgang pleads absence because his breaks failed in Vancouver, and the high flyer couldn't get stopped until he hit Toronto.)

While foreign turkeys and local breeders of the same, may, in their blessed ignorance, refer to this season of heightened density as Christmas, may I remind you good members that same is properly known as Xmas, in memory of our founding philosopher and spiritual mentor, Karl Marx.

It was during the height of winter's dark fury that the gift of his ideas first illuminated the mind's popish landscape like the aurora borealis.

"Each life is deserving," he cried, "of its own opportunity to love its existence on tiny spaceship earth." Alas,

the barons of the Imperial "money is comfort" Court, continue to ravage our brave horde.

The recent ban on the Bush Builders Local 62 is but one example.

Despair not! I have received a sign that Karl will send his only begotten son, Groucho, to equalize the score at Whistler.

Groucho Marxists have been living unidentified for some time in Whistler. They are all temperature bionic builders with replaceable toes and fingers.

Another scouting party are the "Puny Wits" propounding

silly puns with looney twists. Have you heard these examples of their ebullience?

I'd rather have perky wits than worky pits. Or, I'd rather have a bottle in front of me than a frontal lobotomy. Or, show me a milkman with high heels and I'll show you a dairy queen.

These obvious generators of intelligent life at Whistler

These unidentified warriors dedicate their awards to any prominent antagonist of tolerance, peace, and high times. When asked why these presentations are made, one replied "I like to see everyone get their just desserts chipped in another, "because we can't get close enough to pull their pants down."

Merry Xmas Whistler, and don't get caught with your head down.

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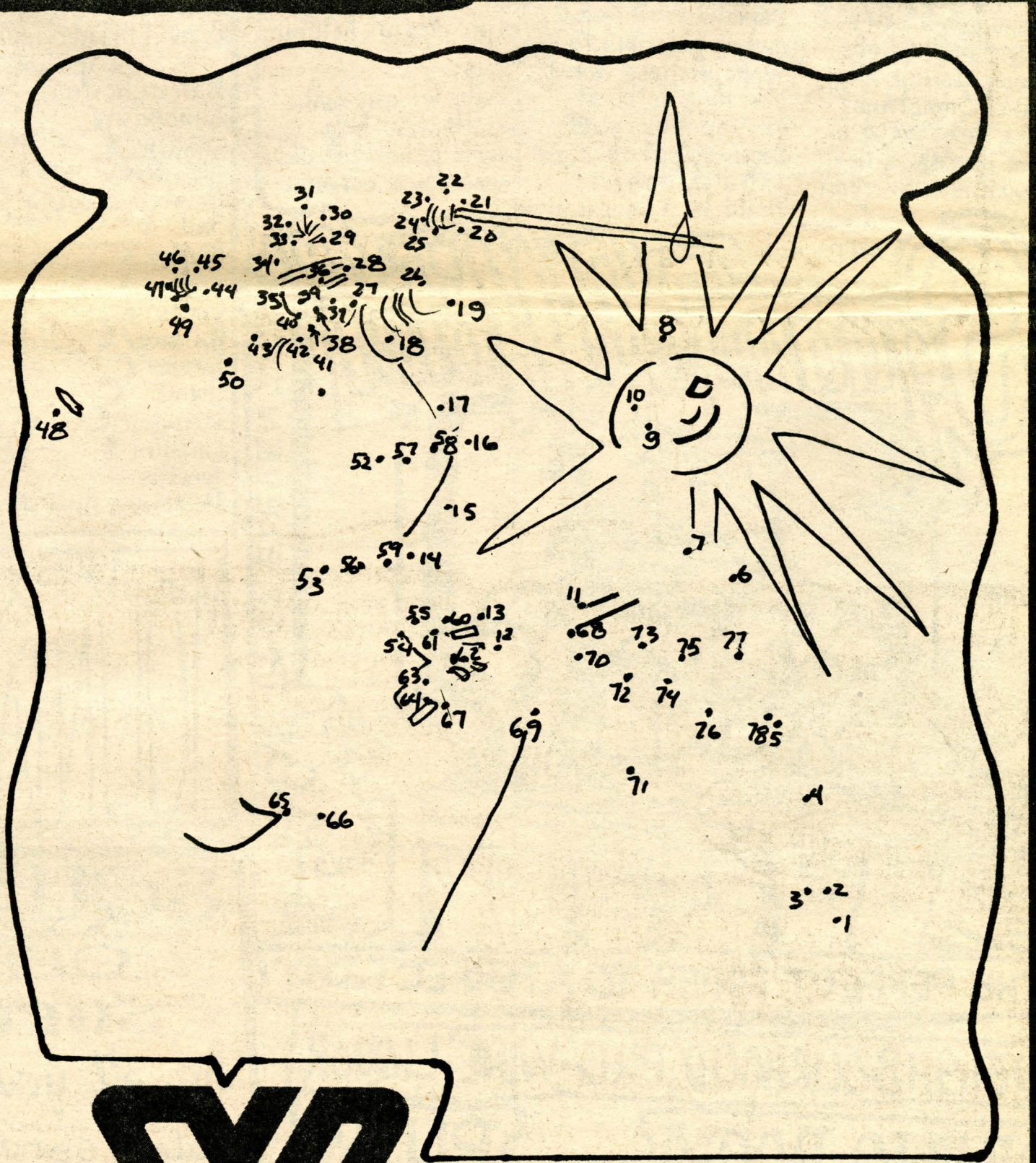
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