Primers for ice age

By EDNA TOTH

The British tell us there's another ice age coming which will refrigerate us all.

Anybody who believes this hasn't been living in either Britain or Canada in this century, because according to my thermometer, the ice age never left.

The British, for all their warm beer and rocks-free Scotch, have the world's coldest bedrooms; and for Canadians, the past week of chill winds and intermittent snow is proof the glaciers never retreated — they merely made a strategic withdrawal.

In fact, the ice rivers are even now beating the drumlins in their Arctic valleys, forming up in cubes for a relentless march which will overrun our heir-conditioned real estate, and us with it.

Unless, of course we are prepared.

Mississauga Library has just the survival manuals for this New Cold War.

For instance, there are books about Canada's Eskimos and how they live off the snow-covered land.

Eskimo of the Canadian Arctic is a collection of essays about Eskimos — archaeology, anthropology, religion, and an assessment of the schemes designed by the federal government for Eskimos.

Peter Freuchen's **Famous Book of the Eskimo** is described as an eye-witness narrative of life among Eskimos in Canada, Russia, Greenland, Lapland and Alaska.

If you need a place to go, rather than brazen out the next algid age here in Chillville, try **Antarctica**, by Carl R. Eklund and Joan Beckman. The book is subtitled Polar Research and Discovery During the International Geophysical Year.

It says: "It is believed that ice height and volume in Antarctica have generally decreased in the past 10,000 years."

But in the same paragraph it adds: "Yet the Antarctic is far from undergoing the rapid changes of the Arctic, where the volume of ice has decreased considerably in recent years."

What's this about Arctic ice decreasing? Are the British experts wrong? Or is International Geophysical Year wrong? Who didn't do their Nomework?

While the scientists argue heatedly about where thermolysis is going, the rest of us face fate in a febrifuge.

Recommended reading is **The Central Eskimo**, by Frank Boas. It contains everything you could ever want to know about Eskimos, but never thought to ask.

All flippancy aside, it is an excellent book, packed with all fashion of fascination.

"When cutting snow for an igloo, cut where the snow is all from a single storm, or it will break into its various layers."

And there's a plan for a boat:

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The club will operate on weekends to Jan. 5, when full operation starts Monday through Friday. For more information, call 279-8200.

music

Peter Donato

George Harrison and Friends — Live at Maple Leaf Gardens, Dec. 6

All the reviews I've read about this concert and tour say in one way or another "Beatles are Dead."

So what else is new?

Harrison's main problem is his singing. His voice is getting worse all the time. At the concert he was hoarse and this prevented him from singing on key. It was pathetic. His new album sounds the same way.

His back-up band, consisting of many fine players — Billy Preston, Tom Scott, Jim Keltner, Willie Weeks, Robben Ford, Andy Newmark, Emil Richards, Jim Horn and Chuck Findley — lent great moral and musical support at the concert.

Harrison plays great guitar and his solos were short and tasty.

But the fans hear their memories perfectly. George tried, I have to give him that, and he was congenial as hell, but it was a dull, dull concert.

Billy Preston managed to get the crowd going on his solo trips, but three songs does not a concert make.

The Shankar Family, minus Ravi, proved to be far more interesting than anything else, their music taking on a Western influence. They were the musical highlight of the show for me, and normally I can't stand that type of music.

In all, it was not disappointing because Harrison didn't rekindle the flames of Beatlemania; that's horsemanure. It was disappointing because Harrison is sick and simply didn't deliver.

YULE GIFT SUGGESTIONS

The Kiki Dee Band — I've Got The Music in Me (MCA-Rocket Records-458)

In her second outing Kiki Dee shows enormous potential. The material is good, her singing is a real turn-on and everyone plays great. Des goil is going places, believe me.

Billy Joel — Streetlife Serenade (Columbia PC 33146)

I heard the Root Beer Rag on CFRB. The announcer said that was Billy Joel (say Noel with a J). I figure that about sums it up. This album, like Piano Man, is over-produced, with great playing by all concerned, but the material is either pretentious or banal.

Dave Mason — (Columbia PC 33096)

Still trying to write great songs like he did with Traffic, Mason comes very close here. If this is any indication of where he's going, the next album should be great. Mason sounds like he's got his fire back. A very good album.

Rufus — Rags to Rufus (ABC Records ABCX-809)

One of the funkiest albums I've heard in a long time. Rufus, with lead singer Chaka Khan, puts out subtle rhythmn and blues with great results. If they stay together, good things are in store.

Daryl Hall and John Oates — War Babies — (Atlantic SD 18109)

Two of the more interesting writers around, their latest effort is a drastic departure from abandoned Luncheonette. With Todd Rundgren producing, the results are heavy on the metal and lighter on the music. However, it's still a very interesting album. This is the third time they've changed direction, which is nice if for nothing else than variety.

The opinions expressed in this column are solely those of the writer. He is fallible but honest.

George Harrison concert fizzles

bridge

A tendency that is most difficult for many bridge players to overcome is the instinctive urge to capture a king with an ace. As they would explain their actions, were not aces born to capture kings?

While it is true that aces were born to capture kings, nevertheless many situations arise — as in today's deal — in which a king must be permitted to reign for a moment in order to secure a happy future. But, unfortunately for his side, our south declarer didn't see it that way.

Neither side vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 9 4 2
♥ 8 5 4 3
♦ Q 10 9 5
♣ A 2

WEST
♠ A Q 10 6 3
♥ K 7
♦ 8 2
♣ K Q 7 4

EAST
♠ 8 7 5
♥ 9 2
♦ 7 6 4 3
♣ J 10 9 6

SOUTH
♠ K J
♥ A Q J 10 6
♦ A K J
♣ 8 5 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠.

West's opening lead of the club king was captured by the board's ace, East dropping the jack of clubs. This play by east denoted possession of the club ten, since in this type of situation, with adjacent high cards, a third-hand defender plays the higher of two honors.

To trick two a low trump was led off the board, south finessing his queen. West captured this lead with the king, and underled his queen of clubs to east's known ten-spot. Upon winning the trick, east laid down the eight of spades (West's bid suit). West then took two spade tricks, thus handing declarer a one-trick set.

From the outset, declarer's worry should have been that east would obtain the lead to play a spade through south's K-J. If this could be prevented, declarer would subsequently be able to discard the spade jack on dummy's fourth diamond. Declarer could have accomplished this objective in simple fashion: by allowing west's king of clubs to capture to opening lead.

Whatever west now returned, he could not deprive declarer of his victory. Let's say another club was led, dummy's ace winning. The trump finesse would then be taken, losing to west's king. From here in, all the defenders could make would be West's ace of spades.

But when declarer took the opening club lead with dummy's ace, he sealed his doom, for he thereby created an entry out of east's ten of clubs. Thus he preserved the west-to-east line of communication, enabling east later to lead a spade through south's K-J.

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7:00 p.m. Miscellaneous Mississauga
7:30 p.m. Sports Scene
8:00 p.m. Over the Top Drive for the Mississauga News Christmas Bureau Fund
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7:00 p.m. Park Royal
7:30 p.m. Happy Holiday Hour
8:30 p.m. Mississauga German Austrian Kaleidoscope
9:30 p.m. Sports Scene
10:00 p.m. Park Royal
10:30 p.m. Reality
10:45 p.m. Cable Comment

Friday, Dec. 20
6:45 p.m. Cable Comment
7:00 p.m. Silverthorn Public School Christmas Play
8:00 p.m. Happy Holiday Hour
9:00 p.m. See Hear Now
9:30 p.m. Community Talk
10:00 p.m. Dance to the Music

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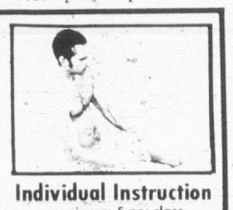

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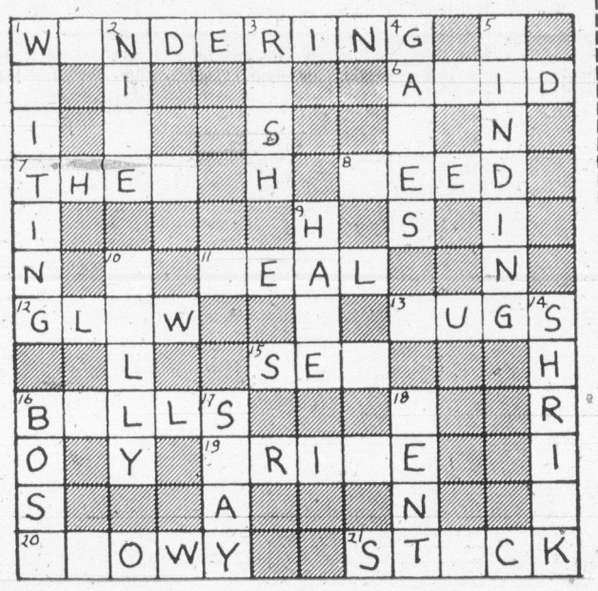

CLUES ACROSS

1. — about seeking a Santa Claus outfit in his size, thin man might decide not to bother. BONUS. (Any answer acceptable).
6. Girl with — disposition may well be angered by her sister's getting expensive Christmas presents.
7. A child told to write his 'Thank you' letters, but not feeling like writing — , will make excuses.
8. Some people ~~never~~ — the advice to mail early for Christmas.
11. Even though he suffers from bad digestion, it's usual for a person to eat a good — on Christmas day. BONUS. (Any answer acceptable).
12. Shine.
13. Embraces.
15. An excited boy might be in a hurry to — a new mechanical toy going.
16. Little shining — are often what are used for hanging-type decorations on Christmas trees.
19. You'd expect it of an overserious person to complain that the words of many Christmas songs are — .
20. In a children's TV Christmas program, Santa Claus will have a long — white beard.
21. Glued.

CLUES DOWN

1. — to wish his boss a merry Christmas, average servile person might compose a simple flattering poem.
2. Having received — expensive presents last Christmas, a gold digger will hope to do as well again.
3. Being pressed by salesman to buy an item, a person might make a — decision.
4. From the way a child — at a present, it's clearly a ~~great~~ success.
5. Wrapping up a Christmas parcel, a fussy woman will take much care when — decorative string around it.
9. Thin vapor of fog.
10. Dad might put a little — right at the top of his daughter's Christmas stocking. BONUS (Any answer acceptable).
14. A store Santa Claus would be very surprised to have a child — when he approached her. BONUS (Any answer acceptable).
16. Employer.
17. Remain.
18. Friends of French diplomat should feel flattered if he — to Paris for gifts for them.

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CLUES ACROSS

EXPLANATIONS OF MORE DIFFICULT CLUES

1. CLEARED not cleaned. The "mess to be cleaned — CLEARED up" is caused by the "burglars" emptying the contents of drawers, etc., on the floor in a search for valuables, making CLEARED the more apt answer, since "there is usually" no question of dirt, as cleaned would suggest.

7. DIALING not dealing. Rather than being "confident when dealing," there are other people present whom he may be trying to **persuade** that he's "confident," in an effort to get the upper hand psychologically. Normally, when he's DIALING, however, there's nobody he's trying to impress, making DIALING the better answer.

14. BASS not boss. "Luck as well as ability to become a boss," possibly, but his being "a **successful** boss" subsequently depends not on "luck" but "ability." However, "a man often needs luck to become a successful BASS" (e.g., being heard by the right person at the right time might get him into the big time).

17. CAGE not rage. "Children are likely to laugh at" his normal, playful "antics in a CAGE," yes. On the other hand, one of the bigger "monkeys," such as a baboon, "in a rage" can look fearsome to a child and certainly would not be found **amusing**.

18. LANE not line. "Not keeping in line," could mean just edging out to see if it's **safe** to overtake, for example, which merits no penalty, unlike the **dangerous** practice of "not keeping in LANE."

23. NETTLE not settle. NETTLE (defined as: "to irritate, annoy") is more apt since "a braggart" (defined as: "offensively boastful person") is "generally of a temperamental nature to behave in this way. Being "a braggart," he is often an arrogant, obstreperous individual which is hardly one whom "you can settle (defined as: 'deal effectively with') without too much difficulty."

24. STRANGEST not strongest. "The strongest inmate" may be known to be suffering from a form of derangement which makes him utterly harmless, but the STRANGEST, by virture of being so different from the others, will seem something of an unknown quantity and "will need special surveillance."

CLUES DOWN

2. LUCID not lurid. "A particularly lurid passage" won't need to be pointed out "in a book they'd studied" — it draws attention to itself. But the virtures of "a particularly LUCID passage" might **escape "students"** were their "attention" not drawn to it.

3. ARMY not arty. "From" his military "manner that he had an ARMY background," yes. It's his **views** or **dress** rather than his "manner" which would need to be evident to show "he had an arty background."

5. MILKED not bilked. The clue implies that it's "because he is a trusting person" that "he could be MILKED of large sums of money," never thinking to suspect the "unscrupulous people." One doesn't have to trust people to "be bilked." It could happen to any businessman trading in a large way and not receiving payment for goods.

6. LUNCHING not munching. "Someone munching" an apple, say, still might not bring the "hunger" home to "you," since an apple is far from identifying with "a meal." "Seeing someone LUNCHING" (i.e. having adequate food that "you," too, need) "is likely to make you realize suddenly, when you're hungry."

8. COB not cab or cub. COB is most apt as regards the clue reference to "regular handling of" it as a work horse, for example. "What you want to do" **with** it is more grammatically correct for cab. The act of **"regular handling"** is too vague as regards a young animal like a cub, which is normally just kept caged.

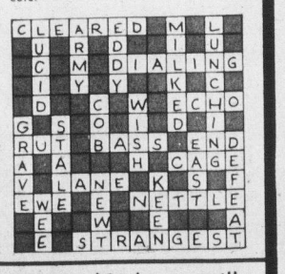
11. GRAVE not brave. GRAVE, certainly, since it may lead to his losing his throne. But stubbornly to brush aside his advisers for the fulfillment of his own personal wishes is hardly "a brave" action.

16. DEFEAT not defect. A DEFEAT, useless to dwell on, "an ambitious man will shrug off" as he prepares to surmount the next obstacle. Being the type that he is, he will try to **overcome** or **cure** a defect rather than "shrug" it "off."

19. NEWT not nest. A NEWT (small salamander) yes, but "a nest would greatly interest boys" only if it contains eggs or chicks, which the clue doesn't qualify.

KEEN not seen. "If" he's "KEEN to," or is "overlooking slip-ups" deliberately to curry favor with the men, "it will encourage slackness," certainly. "If" he's clearly" seen to overlook" some, "it" may merely mean that he has **actually** not noticed these, but will still pounce on any future "slip-ups."

22. WEE not wet. "A WEE bird," as yet fluffy and dry, yes, but "a wet bird" looks so bedraggled that it is more **pathetic** than "cute."



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