



It's A Kids' World



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ICE PAINTERS— A group of approximately 30 youngsters, 15 from Volney Elementary School and 15 from the Lanigan School, converged on the Ice Skating Rink at Fulton's Community Recreation Center one morning last week to enliven the ice with the snowman figure shown above at one end and a Santa Claus face at the other. The students, all fifth graders under the direction of Larry Mitchelson [Lanigan] and John Holcomb [Volney], enjoyed a free skating session and donuts donated by the city after their painting spree, and also had hot chocolate courtesy of the Fulton Kiwanis. Outlined in India ink before being painted in with tempera colors, the ice-paintings were covered by 8 coats of ice after completion and should last till Spring.



BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR UNCLE SAM— As a culminating activity to end a unit of study on the Bicentennial, the 4th grade at Phillips St. School, under the direction of student teacher Miss Kathy Galletta, held a party to celebrate America's birthday. The unit on the Bicentennial has helped the children gain a better understanding of why the year 1976 will be such an important one in our country's history.



VISIT FROM THE JOLLY ELF— On Monday, Dec. 22 Brownie Troop 600 from Volney Elementary School had its Christmas party at the home of Troop Assistant Mrs. Sheila Graham. The girls made a Christmas craft for their parents called "Watch it Snow." They exchanged gifts and enjoyed Christmas cookies that they baked themselves and a fruit punch served by Mrs. Graham. The highlight of the party was a surprise visit by Santa Claus. Santa passed out gifts and candy canes to all the girls. The Brownie Troop pictured above, from left to right: Paul Briggs, guest, Candace Graham, Jennifer Green, Cheryl Pappalardo, Jennifer James, Michelle Bower, Mary Ann Jodway, Leslie Loomis, Kelly LeClair, Beth Warren, Lori Gardner, Theresa Alnut, Serena Distin, Kelly Ryan. Leaders are Mrs. Grace Briggs and Mrs. Sheila Graham and helper Lisa Briggs, all of North Volney.



EXPLAINS ANTIQUES— The fourth grade classes at Lanigan School displayed many antiques in their classrooms in conjunction with their study of the Colonial Period. Mrs. Mary Smith, above described many of the antiques and told of their use. The children also enjoyed presenting oral reports to their parents, visiting the Historical Society in Oswego, and making candles, butter, bread, and gingerbread men as part of their unit.



ONE YEAR OLD— Kristin Marie LaBarge celebrated her first birthday on Dec. 18. She is the daughter of Don and Veronica LaBarge, Rathburn Rd., Fulton. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kermit LaBarge, Fulton, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Licciardello, Fulton.



FROM SMALL ACORNS — Kristin Leigh Reed celebrated her first birthday on Dec. 14. She is the daughter of Jim and Stephanie Reed, R. D. 1, Fulton. Maternal grandparents are John Gadziala, Syracuse, and Eileen Gadziala, Fulton. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, Fishers Landing. Kristin was born in Syracuse, weighing in at only 2 1/2 pounds!



BIRTHDAY SEASON FOR THEM, TOO— The three sons of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sheffield, R.D. 1, Fulton, will be celebrating their birthdays over the Christmas holidays. Pictured here with their sister, Kelly, at left, are Frederick Jr. who will be 8 Dec. 20, Patrick who will be 1 Dec. 22, and Edward King Sheffield will be 7 Dec. 29. Their grandparents are Macel Sheffield, R.D. 2, Fulton, and the late Thelma Sheffield, and Mrs. Evelyn Lawton, R.D. 6, Oswego, and the late Edward Oleyourryk. Their great-grandparents are Mrs. Nellie Peterson of R.D. 2, Oswego, Walter Oleyourryk of R.D. 2 Oswego, and Mrs. Marion Johnson, R.D. 6, Oswego.



The ancient Mexicans believed that eclipses were caused when the sun and moon quarreled.

Some South American Indians believe that eclipses are caused by a huge jaguar attacking the sun and the moon.