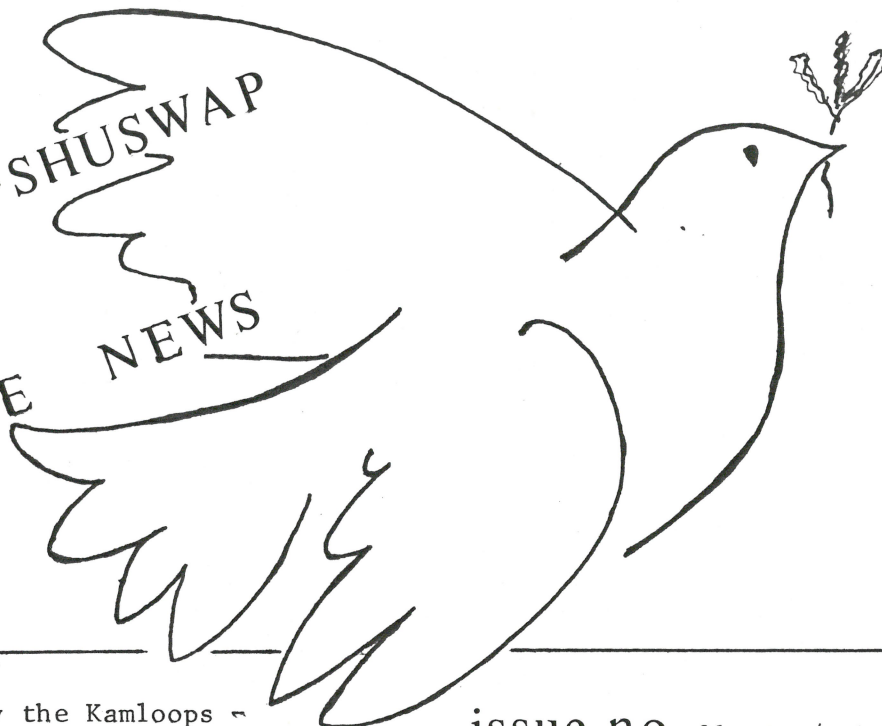
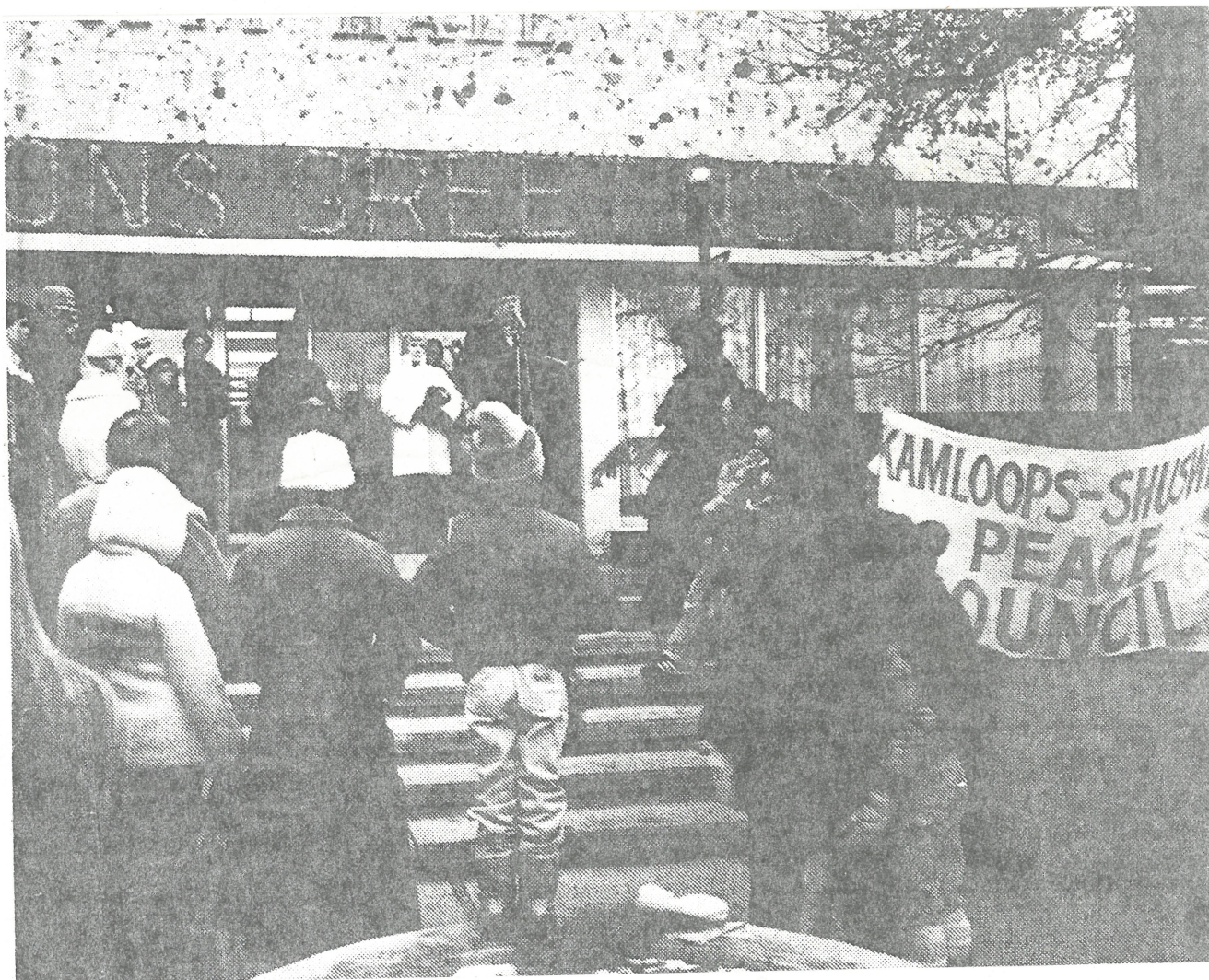


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Kamloops-Shuswap Peace Council members ended peace activities in 1982 along with 150 other Kamloops residents in the second annual Christmas Eve 'Pause for Peace'. The noon march began at the Kamloops United Church and wound its way through Kamloops streets to the City Hall, marchers singing Christmas carols as they went, led by bishop Lawrence Sabatini, the Roman Catholic diocese of Kamloops and bishop John Snowden of the Anglican diocese of Cariboo. At City Hall, the marchers listened to addressess stressing the importance of peace by Sabatini, Snowden, Kamloops Mayor Mike Latta and United Church minister Peter Rolston.

Peace Movement Grows:

The peace movement is catching on; as can be seen in the January 1983 Chatelaine magazine. "Women Against Nukes" is an article about the Canadian peace movement.

It gives an idea of the different people involved with the peace movement - from a Roman Catholic nun, a cancer researcher to the womens director of the Communist Party.

The article goes on to say that people are becoming involved with the movement because they "are scared out of their wits". Members of the disarmament movement are not all "peaceniks" but doctors, teachers, writers, housewives, Christian, Quaker, Jew, Communist and Capitalist; in other words anybody with a conscience.

As the Mayor of Ottawa, Marion Dewar, states "We are not going to solve the arms race by summit conferences - It's got to be done community by community". This is being done across the country with the disarmament referendums that many communities voted on in recent civic elections.

Having an article on peace in Chatelaine magazine is in itself quite a feat. Chatelaine is a well read women's magazine in Canada, and maybe 'Women against Nukes' will help give a push to involve more people with the peace movement. It can only add credence to the burgeoning peace movement.

Peace and Unions:

The December issue of the Hospital Employees Union's 'Hospital Guardian' had a full page article on peace and its effect on the health question, especially where it comes to health funding versus military funding: "disarmament is a health care issue because health must now compete with the military for tax funds". At their past convention a resolution proposal put forward from the Kamloops Unit asks that the Union petition the Secretary-General of the United Nations to support a plan of total nuclear disarmament.

Members of Local 900, Canadian Union of Public Employees, passed a motion at their December meeting to send a telegram to Prime Minister Trudeau, demanding the Canadian Government refuse the U.S. Government permission to test the Cruise Missile on Canadian territory.

United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners have once again taken out a yearly membership in the Kamloops-

Shuswap Peace Council.

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Soviet Visit:

We have learned that the Soviet Peace Committee has accepted an invitation from the Canadian Peace Congress to visit Canada at the end of March. Plans call for them to be at the National Board Meeting and then to visit various cities across the country. Executive members of the KSPC will be writing to the congress requesting that the Interior of B.C. be thought of as one place for them to visit. Final plans should be made by the time our March/April issue goes to press.

Nuclear Weapons Free Zone:

As was reported in our last issue of the Peace News, all councils across Canada are working on a new campaign to make Canada a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone. The KSPC started our campaign to make Kamloops a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone with an ad in the local paper in December. We will now be looking at approaching City Hall to have discussions with the Mayor and Council. Word from the Toronto council says that they are very optimistic about the discussions they have had so far with their Mayor and expect that the City Council will be declaring Toronto a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone shortly.

Ash Street Productions
presents

Tom Paxton
sings for peace

Sunday, February 27,
2:00 p.m.

QUEEN ELIZABETH
PLAYHOUSE





Against U.S. Missile Testing in Canada

Do Canadians want this country to be a test range for Ronald Reagan's Cruise Missile and weapons of mass destruction? 3 out of 4 Canadians in 134 municipal referenda voted "YES" for disarmament. Tens of thousands of us have protested in almost every city and town across Canada. Trudeau's Liberal government has ignored us. Canada is about to become a party to the Reagan government's massive arms escalation. An agreement drafted and completed in almost total secrecy, to test the Cruise Missile, cluster bombs, and other yet unspecified weapons of mass destruction, is about to be announced.

Make your government finally hear you.

Join people all across Canada.

REFUSE THE CRUISE:

Peace activists have been apprehensively awaiting the announcement that our government has ratified the Cruise Missile agreement with the U.S.; therefore; elation, tempered by caution, greeted the news that the talks have been indefinitely postponed until sometime in February.

Dare we hope that Ottawa is having second thoughts? If so, let's keep the pressure on. Apparently several groups in Europe are having discussions on marching to Cold Lake, Alberta, proposed site of the tests. Also, groups from the U.S.A. and Canada are planning the same. We would expect that such actions will take place over the summer months. One report suggests that a group will march from Griffith Air Force Base in Syracuse N.Y. where the B-52's will be loaded with the Cruise Missile to take it to its test site.

Public pressure on the government is even more important at this time. Clip out and mail in the following coupon, or write, wire or phone your M.P.

To PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU:

I/We oppose the ratification of the Cruise Missile agreement with the U.S. and furthermore in the interest of true peace and security urge you, as our elected representative to declare Canada a 'Nuclear Weapons Free Zone'.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Clip and mail postage free to: Prime Minister Trudeau, Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Cable 10 Peace Show:

Our monthly Peace programme on Channel 10 will be the film "The Last Epidemic". Show hostess, Val Carey, interviews local Dr. R. Smiley and Dr. K. Boughton after viewing the film. The show can be seen each Thursday evening in February at 9:30 P.M.

Next Meetings:

The KSPC executive has been able to acquire a new meeting room at the North Kamloops Library, 795 Tranquille Road (back door). The February meeting will be on Feb.27/83 at 7:30 P.M. Our March meeting will be on March the 20th at 7:30 P.M. If you are in need of a ride please call 374-3269.

CLEARWATER NUCLEAR AWARENESS WORKSHOP:

KSPC members Val Carey and John Weller attended the Nuclear Awareness Workshop in Clearwater Sunday, January the 23rd.

The well organized workshop attracted 56 participants who took part in several activities including a nuclear war computer game. Several films and videos were available to view, including one simulated in a fall-out shelter. Several people took advantage of the soap box segments of the workshop to express their concerns about the nuclear arms race build up and to offer proposals for action. Excellent local talent provided a sing along and a scene from 'Mother Courage'. A very effective audio-tape played in near darkness to simulate the experience of life in a fall out shelter gave the participants an opportunity to get a small taste of what life would be like for those unfortunate enough to survive a nuclear war. A showing of the film Doctor Strangelove finished the days activities.

The KSPC congratulates Reverend Bruce Chamberlayne and all those who participated in the organization of the workshop. John and Val found it a most interesting day and we're all looking forward to further contact with the Clearwater people.

Calendar of Events:

February 12 - Trade Union Peace Conference- to set up a trade Union Peace Committee - I.L.W.U. Local 500 Hall, Vancouver, B.C. Invitations will be going out to all unions immediately.

February 19 - B.C. Peace Council has called an enlarged meeting. For more details on this meeting call Kathy at 376-7663.

February 23 - K.I.N.A.D. meets to start planning the annual April march at the CEC, 421 St. Paul St., 7:30 P.M.

February 27 - KSPC regular meeting at NorKam Public Library, 795 Tranquille Rd., 7:30 P.M.

March 3 & 4 - Physicians for Social Responsibility are holding a seminar, open to public, a \$10.00 registration fee. Phone Val for more info 376-6053.

March 19 - New Horizons Peacemakers are holding a 1 day conference at Semiahoo Sr. Secondary., 1273 Fir St., White Rock, B.C. Registration 8:30 A.M. Interesting agenda and speakers. For more info call Chum at 374-3269.

June - World Peace Council is holding an annual meeting in Prague in June. Hopefully our local M.P. Nelson Riis will be able to attend. Fund raising from individuals and interested groups will be commencing immediately to help pay his travel costs.

KSPC annual membership;

Don't forget to mail in your annual membership dues.

OAP/Student/Unemployed	- \$10.00
Individual	- \$15.00
Family	- \$25.00
Sustaining/Organization	- \$50.00

