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Government Orders War Supplies Aggregating 70 Million Dollars

DOMINION LAUNCHED ON SERIOUS WAR EFFORT

Ottawa, Dec. 5th—While official reticence is naturally preserved, the people of the capital as well as elsewhere in the Dominion are dismayed by Russia's ruthless attack on the little republic of Finland. With the fear of active opposition by the larger nations removed, the Bear is ranging abroad and there seems to be no telling what little nation will next feel its claws.

Ottawa is awaiting official announcement of the empire air training agreement. The terms of this agreement can only be known when they are published in the four capitals, but it is quite clear that there has been unanimous accord on the plan. According to Lord Riverdale, head of the British air mission, who will leave in a fortnight for London, the project is expected to be in full swing by the spring. In the meantime preliminary arrangements will be carried out, fields will be surveyed, and needed buildings constructed. Training planes will be bought, and other equipment secured and installed. Airmen from Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Britain and possibly from Newfoundland will receive final instruction in the Canadian school which will stretch across Canada.

To what extent Canada will supply training planes for the scheme is not yet known. Canadian factories are certain, however, to be kept busily engaged in the construction of aircraft for the allied war effort. Airplane bodies and other equipment, but not the engines, will be manufactured in Canada. Already since the war began the War Supply Board and its predecessor the Defence Purchasing Board have placed orders for 125 aircraft and accessories with a total value of about 15 million dollars. Of these aircraft, orders for 40 were given Canadian factories, consisting of bombing planes, reconnaissance planes and trainers.

In accord with the government's plan to give out all possible news in regard to the country's war effort, without contravening censor regulations or running counter to public interest, word has been passed out during the past week that orders given for war supplies have aggregated 70 million dollars. Of these orders railway equipment has cost 25 million, aircraft 15 million, clothing 8 million, food stuffs 4 million, construction projects 10 million, fuel 2½ million, machinery 1½ million and miscellaneous 5 million. The broadcast of the finance minister, Mr. Ralston of some days past, and the more recent broadcast from London to Germany of Mr. Crerar, who is leader of the Canadian mission now in London, have served to show not only the Canadian people but friend and foe alike how serious are the war efforts of this country. Mr. Crerar's broadcast, so timely in view of the type of propaganda emanating from German radio stations, reminded the people of Germany of the extent of Canada's participating in the last war, and that Canada is more united in the prosecution of this war than she was in 1914 at the beginning of the last". He told of Canadian volunteers flocking to the colors, of Canada's great cereal harvests, of her wealth in minerals and other sources. "Our whole economy industrial and agricultural" he said "is being geared up to war demands". In the hour of stress, with the air full of false propaganda, truth told in this way must be of the greatest value.

In relation to the huge surplus of wheat now filling Canada's elevators,

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Man Found Dead in Bed

James Anderson, 50, living alone in Newago, a village one mile east of Montfort, was found dead in his home on Sunday morning. It is believed he died of heart trouble. Neighbors, noticing he was not about as usual, went to the house and found him dead in bed.

Cyclist in Hospital After Collision With Auto

Riding a bicycle eastward along Chatham Street at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, Maurice Blais, employee of the lunch car on Main Street, was struck and injured by a car belonging to Pink Limited and driven by John Manion, Ottawa. Manion was also coming east when his car struck Blais from the rear. The cyclist suffered severe injury to his foot. Attended by Dr. Alex Rodrigue, he was taken on Tuesday for hospital treatment in Hawkesbury.

New Service Station Opened By Champlain Oil Products

Considerable interest has been shown by local motorists in the new Champlain service station on Main Street, which had its official opening last Saturday night.

This building, erected by the Cottingham Supply Company, includes all modern equipment for the proper servicing of motor vehicles. Among the various services offered are specialized check-chart lubrication, high pressure washing, tire and battery service, and motor tune-up.

Under the direction of James Duncan, motorists will be assured of courteous service and qualified workmanship. "Jim" is well and favorably known, having served the motorists of Lachute in various capacities for several years, and undoubtedly his many friends will be glad to hear of this new advancement he has made in the automobile business.

In the construction of the new service station all materials were supplied and contracts handled by Cottingham Suppiy Company, of this town, and associated contractors were all local firms, as follows:

Carpentry, Alcidas Laurin, plumbing, Rene Gauthier; electrical wiring, Lachute Electric Reg'd.; painting, Jos. Belanger; roofing and sheet metal, Ed. Viverais; stucco and cement finish, Jos. Carrignon.

Congregation Holds First Worship In New United Church Building

MEMORIAL GIFTS CONSECRATED WITH FITTING CEREMONY

The welding of a new link in the century-old chain of Lachute United Church, was witnessed Sunday, when dedicatory services were held both morning and evening. The minister, Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D., conducted the exercises, and the Rev. T. W. Jones, D.D, and Rev. E. Leslie Pidgeon, D.D., gave appropriate addresses.

A full choir rendered two beautiful anthems, "Send Out Thy Light" by Gounod, and "Saviour, Thy Children Keep", by Sullivan. The music was under the direction of Mr. Chas. L. Duncan, and the guest organist was Mr. Gifford Mitchell, of Montreal. During the morning, Mr. Sherman G. Dobson, baritone, of Montreal, gave a magnificent rendition of "Bless This House", also joining Mrs. T. W. Jones in a duet, "How Amiable Are Thy Dwellings".

Forty years ago, at the opening of the church that was destroyed by fire last winter, a duet "The Lord Is My Shepherd" was sung by the late Fred Capon and J. S. Giles. It was thought appropriate that this number be repeated, and Mr. C. L. Duncan and Mr. J. S. Giles interpreted this selection.

The new Casavant organ, presented by Mr. E. H. Wilson, was demonstrated in its full beauty of tone by the guest organist.

A congregation of between six and seven hundred joined in the proceedings at the morning service. Mr. W. M. Scott, chairman of the Building Committee, presented the building to the minister, who then carried out the order of dedication. The prayer was read by the Rev. Wm. Munroe, D.D.

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Store Windows Decorated for Campaign Appeals



Several show windows in Lachute were decorated in themes appropriate to the recent Poppy Campaign and Red Cross Appeal. Pictures show — (left) John McFaul & Son's store-front, representing a camp hospital scene, with Red Cross nurse, cot and sick-room furnishings; and — (right) window in the Giles Block, showing Canadian Highlander, poppy wreaths, portraits of Their Majesties and signs appealing for support to disabled veterans.

(Watchman Photographs)

Hon. G. Dansereau Feted at Banquet In Auditorium

FRIENDS, CITIZENS AND POLITICAL COLLEAGUES ATTEND GATHERING

A large gathering of men from all sections of Argenteuil County attended a banquet in Lachute Auditorium Monday evening in tribute to the Hon. Geo. E. Dansereau, M.L.A., and especially recognizing his recent elevation to the Godbout cabinet at Quebec. Sponsored by his political friends hereabouts, the banquet drew an attendance of 225, who, seated at six long tables, enjoyed the excellent dinner furnished by city caterers.

At the head table with the honored guest were the joint chairmen, David Black, Lachute, and F. B. Brosseau, Mayor of Huberdeau, who are presiding heads of the Liberal group in this county; Rev. H. D. J. Brosseau, Grenville; Hon. F. Connors, Minister without Portfolio at Quebec; Mayor W. S. MacKimmie, Lachute; D. Desbois, K.C., Montreal; Jean Rochon, Two Mountains; H. Lapierre, Buckingham; Dr. J. P. Joly, Montreal; L. L. Legault, K.C., Philippe Valois, Stanislas Dansereau, Clement Tremblay, Major G. G. Mitchell, Emile Durocher, Amos Kerr and Jas. McGibbon.

Mr. David Black, as chairman, proposed the opening toast, to the King. Mayor MacKimmie welcomed the guests to Lachute on behalf of the town and council, and Jas. McGibbon sponsored the toast to the guest of the evening.

Many speakers were heard. Notable among these were the Rev. Father Brosseau, who spoke feelingly of Mr. Dansereau as a fellow townsman and neighbor whose human qualities and whose political ability would lead him to greater heights; and the Hon. Mr. Connors, who paid tribute to his political colleague, mentioning his ardor for government maintenance of the highway this winter from St. Eustache to Brownsburg, and the progress they had made towards this end.

Other speakers included Mr. Desbois, Mr. Legault, Gaëtan and Philippe Valois, Jean Rochon, Dr. Joly, C. Tremblay and J. R. Charron.

Mr. Dansereau responded graciously to express his appreciation of this gathering and the warm friendship which it betokened.

The evening concluded with the singing of God Save the King.

Urge Government Maintain Roads This Winter

LAURENTIAN ROADS LIMITED, LOCAL ENTERPRISE, HAS DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

It is being strongly urged that Quebec Roads Department undertake the winter maintenance of Highway No. 8 from St. Eustache to Lachute, and to Brownsburg this year. The department in previous seasons has cleared the Montreal-St. Eustache stretch, last year continuing west to St. Hermas, while a local enterprise, Laurentian Roads Limited, plowed the remainder of the highway from Lachute. Laurentian Roads also kept the Lachute-Grenville and Lachute-Brownsburg routes open to traffic, except during brief periods of extreme weather, in previous years.

Through petitions of the Hon. G. E. Dansereau at Quebec, the project now rests on the decision of the Minister of Highways, the Hon. T. D. Bouchard — and it is believed his Department will give the matter fair consideration.

Laurentian Roads Limited having ceased operations, there is the alternative that the municipalities and firms most interested may give the contract for clearing these three sections, Lachute-St.Hermas, Lachute-Brownsburg and Lachute-Grenville, to a local garage enterprise. This plan is under review pending the Road Department's decision.

Quebec Safety League Makes Earnest Effort to Enforce Lights on Vehicles

The increase in the number of motor vehicles, the construction of better roads which tend to accelerate traffic, the ever present risk of glare from brilliant headlights rendering it impossible for motorists to see unlighted obstacles on the highway, and other important factors, were given at a meeting of the Quebec Safety League's traffic committee, as reasons in favor of a provincial by-law obliging all owners of horse-drawn vehicles to equip their conveyances with adequate lights.

The committee felt that since such a by-law exists in all other Canadian provinces and in every state of the Union, it was now time that Quebec had a traffic rule making lights compulsory on horse-drawn vehicles, which still remain one of the greatest hazards of night driving.

It was also felt that public opinion on this subject had changed greatly in the last few years and that there were indications it would, today, be favorable to such legislation. In order to ascertain how the population as a whole would react towards this proposed by-law, the League is addressing a letter to municipal councils and public organizations, requesting their opinion on the subject, the committee believing that public sentiment could not be better expressed than through the adoption of a resolution to this effect by rural municipalities and other organizations.

Hi-jackers Active; Truck Robbed In Transit

BOYD'S LACHUTE EXPRESS VICTIMIZED SECOND TIME WITHIN FEW WEEKS

Boyd's Lachute Express was victimized for the second time in a few weeks, in a variety of highway robbery far removed from the Dick Turpin technique. Coming to Lachute in the early hours of last Thursday, from the A. & P. warehouse in Montreal, the express truck was robbed of goods valued at around $72. Driver of the truck was Walker Scott; his helper, Paul Desjardins, having ridden on the back of the truck as far as St. Martin, then joined the driver in the cab. Between that time and their arrival at the home warehouse, it was found that someone had boarded the truck, ripped the top of the tarpaulin with a knife and made a selection from the cases of tea, cigarettes and groceries in the load. One case alone contained 20 pounds of tea priced at 90c a pound, and the cigarettes were on the floor of the truck under the entire load of packages.

This incident is similar to a robbery committed just a few weeks ago. The suspected method of procedure is that the culprit, riding the bumper of an unlighted car, boards the truck as the auto draws close behind the heavier vehicle. With a flashlight he searches the contents of the truck and selecting the more disposable goods throws them into the ditch to be gathered up by his accomplice in the car.

Provincial police are investigating the theft. Since the Boyd truck was previously robbed on the road, motorcycle police have escorted the loads out of Montreal for a certain distance, but it is apparent the hi-jackers are wise to these movements and wait till the officers turn back to Montreal.

Two Year Reform Sentence For Young Offender

Arraigned a month ago in connection with the theft of beer bottles from a west-end dealer and selling them to a hotel-keeper — a juvenile of Lachute received suspended sentence before Justice Donat Lalande here in court and released on a month's probation, was commanded to appear at the judge's next sitting.

The young man, 15 years of age, failed to appear Tuesday for this court session. Constable A. Gervais was sent to summon him to the court, but it was some time before he could be found. Appearing again before the judge, the lad was faced with a further charge in connection with the theft of copper cable from the Gatineau Power Co. sheds on Grace St. W.

It is learned that, having broken windows in the shed, intruders had taken a quantity of heavy insulated copper wire, and after cutting it in pieces and burning off the insulation, had sold it to a Montreal junk dealer. Attributed to the young culprit in question was 150 pounds of this copper, which, armed with a search warrant, Constable Gervais had found on the dealer's premises.

Hearing this evidence of the boy's continued misbehavior Judge Lalande then imposed a reformatory sentence of two years, and another of Lachute's young malevolents was duly removed from town.

St. Sauveur Mayor Elected Again in Second Contest

The village of St. Sauveur on Monday elected Armand Leduc as mayor for a second time in less than a year, giving him a majority of 10 votes over his opponent Dr. O. Lapointe.

Leduc was elected to the mayoralty first at the beginning of the year, but the electeion was declared null and void for technical reasons rectified since.

Monday's election was watched closely by Provincial Police in view of the court action which resulted over the last voting, but no trouble was reported.

Following Leduc's first victory over Dr. Lapointe, the latter asked that the court nullify the election as Leduc's name was not on the revised electoral list of June, 1938, which made the election illegal.

Dr. Lapointe's contention was upheld by Judge F. X. Lacourciere, and a new election was recently ordered.

Since Leduc's name was contained on a later electoral list in 1938, he was eligible as a candidate for the second election.

New Service Station Bright Spot on Main Street

View of the attractive new service station on Main Street, erected by Champlain Oil Products Limited, which opened for business last week; and (below) James Duncan, manager.





Feted on Approaching Marriage

Mr. Philippe Valois, notary of this town, was honored by his friends at a function in the basement of Lachute Auditorium on Saturday evening. Sincere wishes for happiness and good fortune were extended to Mr. Valois and his prospective bride, Miss Fernande Dubeau, of Joliette — who are being married on December 9th. The ceremony will be performed by the Bishop of Papineau, in the Bishop's private chapel at Joliette.

Maisonneuve Elected Mayor Of Hawkesbury in Heated Campaign

After one of the bitterest municipal election campaigns in the history of the town, Leandre Maisonneuve, 42-year-old bachelor, was returned Mayor of Hawkesbury on Monday, with a majority of 83 over his nearest rival, a former reeve Ovila Labelle. Former Mayor J. B. Woods, pre-election choice for Chief Magistrate, ran a bad third.

Alex Hunter, veteran politician of West Hawkesbury, began his 29th consecutive year as Chief Magistrate of that township again this year. He was re-elected by acclamation.

Christmas Cheer Effort By Lions Club

The Lions Club are launching the campaign for their Christmas Cheer Fund by placing receptacles in the grocery stores of this town for the purpose of receiving such gifts of canned goods or other articles as the public may wish to donate.

The Club is also selling tickets for a drawing to take place in the Rex Theatre, Lachute, on Monday night, December 18th. The prizes include several donations, among which is a beautiful oil painting, a table-model radio, an organ, sewing machine, Ayers rug, etc. All the proceeds will be devoted to the needy poor of the town.

Making History in Argenteuil

Extracted from the Fyles of The Watchman

60 Years Ago

Friday, December 5, 1879

The Hon. J. J. C. Abbott returned from England on Saturday last.

The Free Press — Somebody has been stealing wood from the Lachute Watchman. If the L. W. man doesn't keep his eyes open he may lose the gun too". Our brother must be a prophet — for sure enough the cunning thief has stolen the gun also.

The law students of McGill University have reorganized the Mock Court. The importance of this step cannot be overestimated, as it will afford opportunities for knowledge and acquaintance in the art of public speaking.

An Italian soldier named Mariotti recently had to be taken to a hospital in Florence for sickness and was discovered to be a women. She entered the army at the beginning of the struggle with Austria in 1866, to save a brother, a married man with six children, and had served ever since, receiving a medal for bravery in the Austrian war. King Humbert presented her with a cross of his order and directed her discharge on a pension.

The Lachute Woollen Mill is now working at night.

TEN MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR IN FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Montreal — Thirty-six firms operate at the Montreal Fruit Terminal, which handles more than 6,500 carloads of produce a year as well as great quantities received by truck and dray from cold storage, from boats and direct from farms. There are 19 wholesale fruit merchants, 13 fruit brokers, two railway agencies and two government offices. Between 500 and 700 trucks move in and out of the busy terminal every day, with May and June the heaviest months. Every year since the terminal opened in 1931 as a subsidiary of the C. N. Rlys., has seen an increase in business over the year before. It is estimated that $10,000,000 is involved annually in the fruits and vegetables handled.

25 Years Ago

Friday, December 4, 1914

Grenville — Our electrician, Mr. C. Beloeuil, met a sudden death yesterday morning. He was repairing a wire in the basement of Laurin's Store, and in some way a short circuit occurred and he was instantly killed.

Editorial — Self protection is the principle of public defence in British communities. John Bull has always been his own champion, as well as the champion of his dependencies and of weak neighbors. The men who form the British army that is fighting in Flanders, are from all classes of British society, the humblest citizen as well as the proudest aristocrat, all of one mind and of one spirit in the hour of Britain's danger.

Mr. R. McArthur was in Montreal this week, paying a fraternal visit to Prince of Wales Lodge, Westmount, in his official capacity of Grand Marshall.

Mr. Willbur Fraser was in Ottawa atending the Lower Ottawa Hockey Association meeting.

FATHER CHARLIE FLIES ACROSS THE DOMINION

Bridgeport, N.S. — "Father Charlie", — Rev. C. W. MacDonald, one of the best known parish priests in Cape Breton — has taken to the air at 72. He left Montreal recently by Trans-Canada Air Lines plane for Vancouver, from where he planned to fly to San Francisco and then across the continent again to New York and Boston, by air all the way. A native of Antigonish Harbor, N. S., "Father Charlie" is a graduate of St. Francis Xavier University. After pursuing his theological studies at the Grand Seminary, Montreal, he went home to the Maritimes and has been parish priest at Bridgeport for 43 years. He has taken a prominent part in the affairs of the coal mining towns of Glace Bay and Dominion.

True friends are like diamonds, precious and rare. False friends are like autumn leaves found everywhere.



LOST HITLER'S LOVE

Dr. Fritz Thyssen, German iron and steel magnate who did much to put Hitler at the head of the German nation, now a fugitive in Switzerland because he d sagreed with the Fuehrer on the latter's war policy. All his German possessions have been confiscated.

Stamp Collectors' Series

DOCTORS ON POSTAGE STAMPS

Two internationally-known doctors are being honored by the U. S. Post Office Department in a famous American series of postage stamps shortly to be issued. They are Major Walter Reed of the U. S. Army Medical Corps and Dr. Crawford W. Long of Georgia.

Dr. Reed is honored because of his discovery that yellow fever is transmitted by the bites of mosquitoes. Yellow fever had been present in the Western Hemisphere for three centuries and in devastating epidemics has caused tens of thousands of deaths. Dr. Reed and his associates conducted experiments in Cuba and in 1900 made their famous discovery, following which yellow fever soon disappeared from North America and has never returned.

Dr. Crawford Long, the general practitioner of medicine memorialized by the post office department of the United States is known for having been the first person to use sulphuric ether as an anesthetic during the performance of a surgical operation. That was in March 30th, 1842, when Dr. Long operated on a man in Jefferson, a small town in Georgia, then many miles from a railroad.

THE GALLUP SURVEY OF TUBERCULOSIS

Dr. George Gallup, Director of the American Institute of Public Opinion, recently asked a representative cross-section of the United States public five questions in regard to tuberculosis.

The first question was : What do you think is the cause of tuberculosis ? The answers indicate that the public still think that the so-called "allies" are more important in the causation than the germ known as tubercle bacillus. The germ was given as the cause in 18 per cent of the answers. Malnutrition was given in 13 percent; run down condition in 17 percent, poor living conditions in 12, while heredity, exposure to weather, bad foods and colds, drinking, smoking, etc., were made accountable for the balance.

The second question was Do you think tuberculosis is contagious ? Seventy-six percent said yes and 24 per cent said no.

To the question whether or not tuberculosis is inherited 52 per cent said yes and 48 per cent said no; 86 per cent thought the disease curable while 14 per cent thought it incurable.

Asked for opinion as to the best treatment the vote was in the following order :

Rest ..... 43 per cent
Proper diet .... 36 per cent
Fresh Air ..... 26 per cent
Climate ..... 25 per cent
Sanatorium treatment
..... 13 per cent

"One cannot", says Dr. Gallup, "depend completely on statistics, for one group says that 52 per cent think tuberculosis is inherited while 76 per cent of another group says that the disease is contagious." It is obvious that the public still need instruction in regard to this affection.

The public should appreciate that tuberculosis is not inherited, that it is always contracted from some other person, and that rest, above all things, is the basis of cure.

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HELPING SANTA CLAUS

Every year thousands of kiddies in Canada are being made happy on Christmas morning as a result of the annual nation-wide distribution of toys by Canadaian Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. As in past years, a chain of Santa Claus workshops in cities and towns across the Dominion from coast to coast is now busily engaged in reconditioning toys, games, books and dolls to help Santa Claus fill many stockings which otherwise would be empty. Children on farms will be remembered and a number of eastern toy shops are giving special attention to children living on western prairie homesteads. The toys are gathered by the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides from many sources, large quantities from public schools and Saturday morning "Toy Shop Matinees" given by movie theatres, at which the admission charge is one toy, old or new.

Boy Scout toy shops were inaugurated in Canada fourteen years ago and since that time they have distributed over two million toys to children in all parts of the Dominion.

Appeals for toys have been issued through this newspaper on behalf of the Lachute Boy Scouts. Readers who would assist in this fine, wholesome effort are urged to hand in their donations NOW !

INVIOLABILITY OF HUMAN FREEDOM

"We must aid all who begin to understand that the inviolability of human freedom for the present generation is the only basis for Joyous Life for future mankind."

With these words Alexander Kerensky concludes his review of "one of the most frightening books of our epoch." That is W. G. Krivitsky's book, "In Stalin's Secret Service" (Harper and Bros.)

In the *Saturday Review of Literature* for November 25 Kerensky says further, "The author, without sparing himself, exposes all the anti-democratic manoeuvres of the Bolsheviks, unmasks them, and tells the truth of the unprecedented conspiracy against the well-being of mankind."

He also makes the following quotation from the book :

"We are on the hard road of socialism. Many must fall by the wayside. We must be well fed and must recuperate from our labors, enjoying, for a few weeks each year, comforts still denied to others because we are builders of a Joyous Life in the future. We are the builders of socialism. We must keep in shape to continue on the hard road. Any unfortunates who cross our path will be taken care of in due time. In the meantime, out of our way ! Don't pester us with your suffering ! If we stop to drop you a crumb, the goal itself may never be reached !"

Kerensky then adds : "In the tents of Lenin's religion the human being is only building material and very cheap material."

The democratic way of life affirms that individual personal liberty is broadly enjoyed today while we build for larger human liberty tomorrow.

AN EXPLODED FALLACY

The idea that certain races are superior in every way to other races, and that they therefore are entitled to special rights and advantages is not a new one. It is as old as humanity itself. Civilized peoples had gone a long way toward ridding their thinking of this false idea when Hitler revived it with his imaginary "Nordic" race, which has the sole right to rule others, especially the Jewish race.

In recent news dispatches from Germany it is stated that Jewish physicians, scientists and teachers have been called back into service in Germany. As the U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, G. Wallace, epitomized the matter, "the racial situation in Europe is so confused that even the Nazi theorists have been appalled, and have found it necessary to retreat from the concept of a Nordic body to that of a Nordic soul."

Mr. Wallace, whose reputation apart from his official position is that of one of the foremost scientific students of heredity, stated that "there is really no such thing as a pure race, in the sense in which the term is commonly used by fanatics, but the idea of a racially pure stock has great emotional appeal, and is also used for political and economic purposes to fool many people."

And it is not only in Europe that fallacious claims concerning mentally superior racial stocks are made, he pointed out. They arise wherever people who have different manners, habits and customs live in the same community. Differences in customs have no relation whatever to racial differences, nor have differences in religious beliefs and observances.

So far, common-sense on this continent has resisted the efforts of foreign propagandists to stir up racial prejudices. We are not likely to have any more "witch-hunts" such as we had during the World War No. 1, when everybody with a German-sounding name was under suspicion. But there is a steady pressure in the effort to divide us into antagonistic racial groups. Nothing could be more dangerous than that.

POPULATION IN 1938

The population of Canada in 1938 is estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at 11,195,000, an increase of 89,000 over 1937. There was an increased population in every province of the Dominion.

Live births numbered 229,183 as against 220,235. There were more marriages performed during 1938 than in 1937, the number being 88,398 compared with 87,800.

TURNING TO RELIGION

Those who build skyscrapers know that the higher they plan to build *up*, the deeper they need to dig *down* for foundations. Man in trouble often turns to God.—And of course it is better to turn *then* than not at all.

There is no readier way for a man to bring his own worth into question, than by endeavoring to detract from the worth of the other man.

—*Tillotson*

TWO SIDES TO EVERY QUESTION

By Lytle Hull

WANTED—A GREAT STATESMAN

Great statesmen, are often the cause of the world's troubles and likewise have been, and can be, the cure.

A Talleyrand in France — since the end of the World War—a Disraeli in England, a Machiavelli in Italy, a Metternich in Austria and a Stein in Germany would have recognized, and heeded, the danger in which another great war would place Europe and would have avoided the risky venture upon which it has now embarked.

These men, through individual greed — or let us call it patriotism — might have played recklessly with pawns but would never have risked the checkmate which faces the countries of Europe if they expose themselves, through exhaustion, to the now obvious menace of Bolshevism.

By now everyone is aware of that great danger. Anyone can visualize a half starved Germany falling easy prey to any promise of peace. The old slogan of Capitalistic and Imperialistic War will fall on fallow ground. The fallacies of Communism will be ignored by a desperate people, and the great German nation of eighty-six million normally sane inhabitants will become part and parcel of the greatest menace which civilization has ever known.

On the fringes of this dread morass will stand the small Balkan nations — Hungary, Bulgaria, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Turkey and Greece — to the south. To the north the Baltic and Scandinavian nations — Finland, Esthonia, Latvia and Lithuania; Norway, Denmark and Sweden. To the east little Holland, Belgium and Switzerland. Southeast a strong Italy and farther on a weakened France and England; then Spain and Portugal. A powerful array militaristically.

Today — if it were consolidated into one fighting force — all the balance of the world could not hope to defeat it; but four years of disintegrating warfare will change the picture drastically.

The people of the war-torn nations might resist the insidious ideology of Bolshevism but would the wornout soldiers of those nations be willing to fight another war against a Russian and German army ? The German soldier would no longer have the chance to refuse; he would do what his master, Russia, told him, or face the firing squad.

Three or four years of exhausting war between Germany and the Allies is possibly what Russia has planned. No matter which side begins to weaken first, Russia, by some means, will probably bolster that side. She has already fooled Germany into starting the war and is even now making deals with England to encourage that nation. She is no longer subtle, and therein may lie her weakness. She seems to feel too certain of her prey and it is there, pray God, that she may overplay her hand.

Europe is waiting for a Talleyrand, or a man of equal statesmanship but more altruistic tendencies. She is teetering on the edge of possibly a hundred years of dark future and many believe that the people would welcome a reasonable armistice and that the troubles and questions could be satisfactorily worked out under the guidance of some great statesman.

There is, at the moment, a deadlock, not only physical but moral. Each nation is convinced it is fighting for a just cause. Each nation would like the other to give in and avoid the awful outlook ahead. Each nation CAN give in a little and the war CAN be stopped.

Germany makes peace moves but stipulates her own terms. England and France will not accept those terms and have more or less outlined their demands. There is a middle course — there are several middle courses — but someone must step to the front and point them out. Someone must take the initiative and it must be someone whose power is sufficient to command attention.

In all the world is there no man great enough to save Europe from the awful scourge of Bolshevism ?

TWICE AS MANY RATS AS HUMAN BEINGS

The population of Canada is under 12 millions of people. The rat population is estimated to reach 25 millions.

The rat is man's most intelligent and dangerous foe. He is filthy, destructive and disease-carrying; a menace to society. At a most conservative estimate the rat population of Canada consumes food of a value of 50 millions a year. If this were his only fault the rat's continued existence might be tolerated.

It is not as a destroyer of property or as a consumer of food but as a health menace that the rat does the greatest harm. Because his body is infested with fleas, lice and mites the rat distributes what are known as mechanical carriers of disease. Investigation has shown that a single rat carries on the average 15 fleas, and these fleas in many instances are known to carry disease.

Rats, as well as mice and squirrels, furnish an important chapter in preventive medicine. These rodents comprise more than one-third of all living species of mannals. They have strongly developed incisor teeth but no canine teeth. The front of the incisors is covered with enamel which keeps them sharp and chisel-like. These teeth continue to grow during the life of the animal.

A rat bite may cause fever (ratbite fever) and other infections, but the real danger from rats is because of the disease-carrying insects living on them. The rat is the chief reservoir and source of human plague. The plague is the "black death" which in the years 1664-5 killed 70,000 of the half million population of London. Daniel Defoe, author of "Robinson Crusoe", wrote one of the best descriptions of this devastating epidemic. Infectious jaundice, leprosy, trichinosis and epidemic typhus are spread by rats. These rodents frequently infect food supplies in butcher shops, slaughter houses and in groceries and warehouses. The rat is prolific. Their increasing numbers are limited only by the available food supply and opportunities for nesting. The families run from 7 to 14 in number.

The suppression of the rat is probably a biological impossibility. The animal is unusually intelligent, keen and cautious. Millions have been killed in the endeavor to control plague epidemics in India, Japan and in coast cities such as San Francisco, without causing an appreciable reduction of the stock.

Rat-proofing of buildings, starving, the use of traps, poisons and fumigation have all been tried with more or less success. The natural enemies of the rat are hawks, snakes, skunks, weasels, the mongoose, minks, dogs, cats and ferrets.

The rat cannot live without food and he will quickly migrate if food supplies are denied him, just as he will congregate where food is plentiful. All available forces must be arrayed against him in order to limit this source of disease-carrying parasites.

DOING

From the Writings of Dr. Frank Crane

It is a good thing to remember that no resolution is of any account unless it contains something that can be put into practice at once.

People grow by doing and they learn by doing. Thinking about it is of no special value. We ought to think about it enough to know how we are going to do it, but that is all.

Over the desk of many a business man is the motto, "Do It Now." If you have anything to do get it done and over with. If it is disagreeable, the sooner it is done and out of the way the better.

There is nothing more upsetting than a lot of loose ends left undone. There is nothing so calming to the nerves, sweetening to the disposition, aiding to digestion and strengthening to the morals, as getting it done.

According to the old story, when the doctor told the parents their run-down boy was overworked, they said it was impossible because he had but one task to do. Each day he had a small woodbox to fill, that was all. when the doctor insisted that he was overworked, they investigated and found that he put off the task as long as he could. He thought about it all day, worried about it all day, and actually carried the wood the last thing at night. The effect on his system was the same as if he had carried wood all day long.

How about your woodbox ? How about the little sticks of wood that make up the armload you have to carry every day ? Do you worry about them, and say, "I must get that done today," or do you get it done ?

Most people have a letter they owe, a book they are going to read, a call they should have returned weeks ago, hanging over their head. Whenever they think of it they feel their self-respect going down like a tire with a leaky valve.

They have some little job like washing the car, ordering the coal, putting up the screens, taking down the screens, taking collars to the laundry, that they carry around in their minds from day to day and which gives them that pleasant feeling of making all the progress of a fly on a piece of sticky fly paper. Their minds are always at civil war. One half is chasing the other half around in order to get things done. Letting things pile up is one of the most demoralizing of vices.

Serenity, one of the hardest traits to acquire, comes with clearing the docket every day. Voltaire's favorite motto used to be : "Doing clears the air." Get it done and out of the way !

SI PETERKINS SEZ :

Ye don't have to take my word fer it. Look up yer history book an you'll find that the changes that have come fer the better in human society hev most allus been started by common people — with uncommon sense.

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District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett spent the week-end here visiting friends.

Miss Olive Boyd spent the past week in Montreal.

Mrs. Wm. Bell, also Miss Vera McCullough, were in Montreal Friday evening attending a crystal shower for Miss May Robson prior to her approaching marriage to Mr. Scott Kneeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene are in Montreal this week, having attended the funeral of Mrs. Greene's stepfather, Mr. Irving, on Monday last. The sympathy of this community is extended to the bereaved family.

Miss Mildred Syvret, also Mr. Harold Robb, were week-end guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Syvret.

About 40 guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Seale on Saturday evening last in honor of Miss Eunice Seale's 21st birthday. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. Thos. McCullough, also Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Johnson and daughter, Margaret, visited friends here on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Wertz spent a few days in Montreal this week.

Mrs. Wm. Greene has been on the sick list. Friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Watchorn, also Mrs. A. Hamilton, were in Lachute on Thursday last.

Messrs A. Hamilton, J. E. Seale, F. Watchorn and Willis Seale attended the banquet in honor of the Liberal member, Hon. G. E. Dansereau, at Lachute Auditorium on Monday evening.

HARRINGTON

Mrs. J. D. Shaw spent Sunday in Lachute.

Mrs. J. Bates and family, of Calumet, visited at the home of Mrs. J. Dobbie on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett, and daughter, Lois, visited relatives in Morin Heights over the week-end.

Mrs. V. McVicar is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. H. Trineer, in Calumet.

Miss I. Kenny, of Arundel, visited in Rivington over the week-end.

The Harrington Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. L. M. Marshall on Tuesday of this week. The afternoon was spent in quilting.

Mrs. J. Bates and family spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. G. Poulter, at Gale House.

MORIN HEIGHTS

The W.A. of Trinity Church held a bridge on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gilbey. There were five tables. Prizes went to: ladies, 1st, Mrs. H. Lacken, gentlemen, 1st, Mr. Wiggett; consolation prizes, Mrs. Gordon Carruthers and Mr. H. E. Gilbey.

Mrs. Wm. R. Bell was among those who attended the crystal shower given by Miss Isobel Bethel in honor of Miss May Robson, whose marriage to Mr. Robt. Kneeland takes place this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene were called to the city on Saturday owing to the death of the latter's step-father, Mr. C. Irving, which occurred at St. Mary's Hospital on Dec. 2nd.

Mr. Jas. Palmer, of Montreal, was at Laurentian Rest Inn over the week-end.

Miss Olive Boyd spent the past week in Montreal.

Miss Audrey Watson, of Lachute, visited with her parents over the week-end.

ST. ANDREWS EAST

Mrs. E. Charman spent last week with her sister in Montreal.

Miss E. Hendry spent last week in Montreal, and the week-end at Lachute.

The week-enders here included Col. W. D. Evans, Messrs. W. F. Drysdale. J. P. Lanctot Roy DeWitt, and Miss Freda Wales.

Rev. Andrew J. Mowatt, of Hudson, Que., spent the week-end and Monday with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Mowatt, and conducted service on Sunday at the United Church.

Dr. and Mrs. McColl, of B. C., and their l'ttle daughter, Heather Mary, made a short visit to St. Andrews last week.

Mr. Hannam Barclay is spending several days at "The Hill" Carillon.

November was a busy month at the St. Andrews Fur Farm, as pelting of the mink was under way. More and better pelts than in previous years is reported. There was very little loss from sickness during the year.

The three-act comedy, "Look Me in the Eye", staged by the Green Lane Players (a group new to this vicinity), was successful as good entertainment and also financially. It was presented with a verve and spontaneity that evoked much mirth. The allotment of the parts was good and the speakers' voices clear and expressive. The three acts took place in one room, so the intermissions were not prolonged by scene-shifting. An apology is offered by our local dramatic group, who through some misunderstanding advertised this play as by the Casburn Players.

Refreshments were served by the local group to the visiting players at Mr. C. Brownlee's home.

BROWNSBURG

Miss Alma Fletcher, R.N., of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fletcher.

Pte. Arvon Williams spent the week-end at his home here.

Miss Edith Brown, Mrs. W. H. Tomalty and little daughter, Elinor, spent part of last week in Montreal visiting relatives.

Mrs. Wm. King entertained last week in honor of her mother, Mrs. Z. L. Campbell, of Carleton Place, Ont.

A play entitled "Look Me in the Eye" will be presented on Dec. 12th in the Capitol Theatre, under auspices of the W.I. Come and support a worthy cause.

Miss Amy MacQuaig spent Thursday last in Montreal.

Mr. Bernard Petley, of Montreal, spent the week-end at his home here.

The Ladies' Aid of the Maple Avenue Baptist Church will hold a Christmas sale on Dec. 15. There will be home-cooking and a Christmas gift table.

Miss K. McVicar is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Connelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mason spent last Friday in Montreal.

We are sorry to report that Mr. A. White is ill and is at present a patient in the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Miss Alma Madden, of Montreal, was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. J. A. Murdoch.

The W.A. of the United Church held a special meeting last week, when final plans were made for their fall sale, which will be held on Dec. 9th.

The work and supply committees of the Red Cross are busy distributing sewing this week; it is hoped that a supply of yarn will be received in the near future.

The Ladies' Guild of St. George's Anglican Church held their meeting at Mrs. A. Robbins' on Wednesday evening, which was well attended.

VICTORIA PREPARES FOR OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS



Preparations for the same kind of Christmas festivities which enlivened England in the days of Good Queen Bess are now under way at the Empress Hotel at Victoria, B.C., where an unusual number of Canadians will join approximately 400 Americans in an old-fashioned Yuletide celebration. The programme, seen here in rehearsal has such picturesque features as a boar's head, Yule log, wassail bowl and Christmas carols. Retainers in old time costume haul the log to the massive fireplace where it is lighted by the Mayor of Victoria with a fragment from last year's log, which has been "put under a bed to secure the house from fire", according to an ancient superstition. Christmas dinner in the three great banqueting halls with the chef bearing the boar's head, tusks fierce, mounted on a silver platter, are other picturesque notes in this most colorful festival.

LOCOMOTIVE ACTS GOOD SAMARITAN

The parable of the good Samaritan was enacted at a highway crossing in the Maritimes recently when a railway locomotive hauled a truck which had run off the road out of a ditch. As the C. N. R. train which provides the connection from Boston to points in the Maritimes was speeding along a message was sent to the train through the railway despatcher at Moncton to approach the spot known as Anderson's Crossing cautiously as the truck was foul on the main line. On arrival of the train at the crossing, the truck was still in the ditch with another truck endeavoring to haul it out. Failing in this attempt, the locomotive was detached from the train, cables were attached to the truck and the locomotive pulled the truck out of the ditch and onto the highway. The train was delayed 25 minutes.

He is a strong man who can hold down his opinion. A man cannot utter two or three sentences without disclosing to intelligent ears precisely where he stands in life and thought — namely, whether in the kingdom of the senses and the understanding, or in that of ideas and imagination, in the realm of intuitions and duty. People seem not to see that their opinion of the world is also a confession of character. We can only see what we are, and if we misbehave we suspect others. —Emerson

IN MEMORIAM

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Among the Churches

INSPIRING SERVICES FOR DEDICATION OF NEW UNITED CHURCH

(Continued from page 1)

The consecration of memorials followed, and Mr. Rosborough read the following list of furnishings, which were duly dedicated, and returned gratefully to many other acceptable gifts toward the completion of the church. . . .

Pulpit, in memory of Dr. and Mrs. George H. Christie, presented by Mrs. W. H. Lamb, Miss Nora Christie, Dr. Edward and Mr. Keith Christie.

Communion Table, in memory of Andrew Walker, 1776-1868, and William Walker, 1807-1882, two of the founders and elders of the church, presented by their great grandson and grandson, Mr. Guy Tombs, Montreal.

Baptismal Font, in memory of Jane Maud Dobbie, Sept. 15, 1938-Feb. 22, 1939, and presented by Miss Maud Dobbie.

Offering Plates, in memory of the Rev. J. R. McLeod, D.D., presented by his daughter, Mrs. R. P. Blair.

Church Bell, in memory of Simon MacKimmie and his wife, Janet Pollock, presented by their daughter, Rachel Stevens Elliott.

Flower stands, presented by the C. G. I. T.

Hymn Boards, presented by the Mission Band.

The carpet, presented by a group of ladies of the church.

The Lectern, was presented by the Young People's Society.

Dr. Wm. Munroe, bringing greetings from the Montreal Presbytery, the Montreal-Ottawa Conference and the United Church from coast to coast, viewed the historic events of a hundred years in the local church. He told of the hardships of the early settlers, how they had overcome their difficulties, and mentioned that this occasion was significant in as much as history was repeating itself.

Speaking of the good progress of the United Church, he said that 34 new churches had been built since 1935, at a cost of $3,000,000; also many halls and manses had been erected; $11,000,000 had been contributed, $3,000,000 of this going to missions. In closing, Dr. Munroe said, "Thank God for the faithfulness and liberality of our families".

Mr. Rosborough extended a welcome to all present "at this historic and auspicious meeting", and at the evening service thanked the Rev. S. J. Pike, of Brownsburg, for his friendly gesture in cancelling the Brownsburg service, so that the congregation might join with the Lachute Church.

The Rev. T. W. Jones, D.D., gave an inspiring address at the morning service.

Dr. Jones, who has offered his services to the Y. M. C. A. contingent which will accompany the Canadian militia to Europe, took as his subject, "Building the Church". His first thought was based on a text from "Ezra", a story of the rebuilding of the Temple after the destruction by evil forces of the world, when the craftsmen had to build with a sword in one hand and trowel in the other. "The spiritual church is built by Christ", he said. "Every country in the world is hearing the spirit by the works of the missionaries. . . . We are to have the privilege with God himself to build, for he uses human hands to share that labor". Speaking of the social clubs and secular societies, Dr. Jones said they find inspiration for their work in the church itself, otherwise they could not thrive. He paid tribute to Professor Einstein, who, though a Jew, lauded the Christian Church for its courageous stand against anti-Semitic Germany, when the press, science and art failed to speak for the cause of truth and righteousness in Germany.

Concluding, Dr. Jones said, "We all can have a share in building a spiritual church, if we enter into prayerful fellowship, and build by consecrated love, finding expression in our everyday life".

Dr. E. Leslie Pidgeon, of Erskine-American Church, was the guest preacher at the evening service, and based his words upon the thought, "What does the city contribute to the citizen, and — What does the citizen owe to the city ?" "Most people believe that the individual is separate from the community", he said, "but institutions mark the foot-print of progress." Speaking on the old controversy of heredity versus environment, he contrasted the old method of teaching the young, by showing them good and bad, to the modern method of surrounding them with an environment of all good, where they would never see a picture or read a book that was detrimental to beauty and wholesomeness. Dr. Pidgeon remarked that one should always act as a citizen, not as an isolated individual, and if one has difficulty in telling right from wrong, to adopt the rule of "universalizing" it, in order to gauge its influence. The difference between a "small man", and a "great man", said Dr. Pidgeon, is one who places his purpose for his own interests, and one who places his acts and his emotions in the life of humanity."

"The weakness of democracy, lies in the fact that the social pulse beats low, there are many honest men and women in private life, who fail to take interest in the public welfare." The common interest of humanity, covering health, happiness, education and economic progress, is the responsibility of every man".

After the service, Mr. Gifford Mitchell, guest organist rendered several numbers in a brief musical recital.

A gesture of thoughtfulness in these proceedings is worthy of note — a member of the choir having installed equipment to relay the services to the home of Mrs. T Christie, who was unable to attend the church. After the evening service, the choir members also sent their greeting to Mrs. Christie, via the "radio".

Sunday Services

MARGARET RODGER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m.—The School of the Church
11 a.m.—"The Man of Wistful Heart"
3 p.m.—Brownsburg
7 p.m.—"The Call of Moses"

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Mr. Walter C. Tompkins, Pastor.

10 a.m., Bible School.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Services.
Tues., 7 p.m. "Happy Hour."

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST
Rev. J. R. Simpson, B.A., B.Th.

10 a.m., Sunday School.
11 a.m.—"Wits'-End Corner"
7 p.m.—"Worldly Wisdom"

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m.—Communion Service
7 p.m.—Evening Service. Subject, "Mary's Tribute to Jesus"

Outside appointments have been cancelled for the day

A Preparatory Service will be held on Friday, December 8th, at 8 p.m.

A cordial welcome to all !

REGULAR BAPTIST SERVICES
Rev. C. Hardie

11 a.m.—Brownsburg.
2.30 p.m.—Dalesville.

Rev. H. C. Slade will preach at both services.

LAFEFIELD CHURCH SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector.

10.30 a.m.—Lakefield
2 p.m.—Louisa
7 p.m.—Dunany

CHURCH GROUPS AT ST. ANDREWS EAST

St. Andrews E — The Good Fellowship Circle met on Monday evening at the United Church manse. The officers elected at a previous meeting, are :—President, Mrs. C. L. Brownlee; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Mowatt; 2nd vice-president, Howard Lalonde; secretary, Miss B. Hugman; treasurer, Bill Dewitt; social convenors, Misses D. Leroy and T. Wales. A varied program was followed by refreshments.

A very pleasant social affair was the tea given by the Women's Guild of the Presbyterian Church on Thursday afternoon in the church hall. There was a table of needlework for sale. Members of other organizations welcomed this opportunity of greeting Mrs. Wm. McMillen and her daughter, Jean, who assists her mother, as chatelaine of the Presbyterian manse.

BISHOP CARLISLE PAYS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO THIS PARISH

Participates in Confirmation And Dedication Service

Bishop Arthur Carlisle, of Montreal, paid his first official visit to St. Simeon's Church, Lachute, last Thursday evening, and a large assembly were present to welcome him.

Bishop Carlisle expressed pleasure in this opportunity of visiting the Lachute parish, and hoped to renew its acquaintance again in the future. He thanked the diocese for many congratulatory messages received on his appointment to the bishopric of Montreal.

The Rev. W. C. LeCras, rector of St. Simeon's, voiced the welcoming sentiments of the congregation and their pleasure in Bishop Carlisle's appointment.

The ceremony of "Laying on of hands" was highly impressive, as ten candidates walked one by one to the Bishop for the blessing of confirmation.

Bishop Carlisle gave a simple, though practical message to the candidates and friends present, basing his remarks on a verse in St. John, "Follow thou me". He stressed the significance of St. Andrew's Day as an interesting and important occasion in the Christian calendar, St. Andrew having entered the service of Christ on this same injunction, "Follow thou me". "At that time, people had a vague idea of God, and when Christ came they said, "God is like Christ." Speaking of this troubled world the Bishop suggested that what is needed is the adaptation of the Apostles' practice of taking troubles and difficulties to Christ. He also mentioned the fact that many leaders feel a great change is coming in the world today, for political and religious dogmas are being closely analysed, and politicians, statesmen, bishops and ministers are deluged with ideas and criticism.

The Bishop then gave the meaning of confirmation, the three main thoughts being in "Confessing and acknowledging Him", "Acknowledging responsibility to work and witness for Christ", and "To draw on the help that Christ gives". Concluding, Bishop Carlisle congratulated the rector upon the fine class of candidates.

Speaking to the older members of the congregation, Bishop Carlisle told of the heart-breaking experiences in church life, when young people lose interest in religion soon after taking their confirmation. He stressed the duty and responsibility of parents and elders, in encouraging and bringing their children to church.

Many members of the St. George's Church, Brownsburg, were present to join in the welcome of their Bishop, and witnessed the dedication of a silver communion bread-box, given in memory of the late Florence Hazel, by her husband, which is to be used at St. George's Church.

The visiting clergy were the Rev. Stanley Andrews, of Montreal, Rev. J. W. Ball, of St. Andrews East, and Rev. K. N. Brueton, of Grenville.

PRESBYTERIAN Y.P.S. ARE HOSTS

The Presbyterian Y.P.S. was host last night to the St. Andrews Society, each club being represented by about 25 members. After a short business session, Mr. Orsborn addressed the gathering, with a few words of welcome to the visitors.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. Linton Armstrong, who delivered an interesting address on the Health Unit, outlining the various phases of work undertaken.

Following the meeting the members joined in a pleasant hour of carpet bowling, community singing, and assorted games, topped-off with a tasty "bed-time" lunch.

The, next meeting of the Society next Wednesday evening at 8.30 p.m., will be addressed by Mr. Orsborn. As meetings will soon be suspended for the holiday season, all members should make an extra effort to attend.

Social and Personal

Miss Grace McMahon, of Thurso, was a week-end visitor at her home in town.

Miss Agnes MacPhee, of Avoca, was a week-end guest of Miss Lillian Harrison.

Mrs. W. G. Staniforth, of Montreal, visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Staniforth last week-end.

Mrs. Douglas Johnston and Miss E. Johnston, of Ottawa, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Graham.

Miss Kathleen Clunie, of Montreal, visited her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Clunie, last week-end.

Mr. Gifford Mitchell, of Montreal, spent the week-end as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ralph McOuat.

Pte. Percy Wilson, of the R.C.A.S. Corps, Montreal, spent the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, North River.

Misses Mona Bates, Anna Brennian, Gertrude McMahon and Barbara Cunningham, and Messrs. Stuart Armstrong and Harold Deacon attended the 10th Annual Convention of the United Church of Canada, which was held in the Westmount Park United Church last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne McCoy, of Ottawa, visited Mrs. E. H. McCoy over the week-end.

Miss Therese Berniquer, of Montreal, spent last week-end with her mother, Mrs. Jos. Berniquer.

Mrs. Anna McAdam, of St. Andrews East, is spending a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. John A. MacGibbon.

Miss Gladys Hambleton, of Montreal, was a week-end visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. McFaul.

Miss Lois McFaul, of Macdonald College, spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart McFaul.

Among the latest from this community to enlist with the Black Watch Regiment in Montreal, is Mr. Ray Boyd.

Mr. Maurice Paquette, Ste. Agathe des Monts, accompanied by Mr. Ernest Lortie, motored to Ottawa on Sunday, to visit friends.

Messrs W. J. Fletcher, J. A. Campbell and W. K. McArthur, of Laurentian Lodge, Lachute, were in Montreal on Saturday to witness the degree work of Massena, N.Y., Lodge on their visit to Lansdown Lodge.

Origin of the Cravat

Cravat is the name given by the French in the reign of Louis XIV to the scarf worn by the Croatian soldiers enlisted in the royal Croation regiment (Fr. cravate, a corruption of "Croat"). Made of linen or muslin with broad edges of lace, it became fashionable, and the name was applied both in England and France to various forms of neckerchief, from the loosely tied lace cravat with long flowing ends, called a "Steinkirk" after the battle of 1692, to the elaborately folded and lightly starched linen or cambric neckcloth worn in the late Eighteenth and early Nineteenth centuries.

Probation and Parole

Probation is the method of treating a delinquent convicted of an offense, whereby he is not imprisoned but is released on a suspended sentence under supervision and upon specified conditions. Usually he must report at stated intervals to an officer or to the court. A parole is a conditional and revocable release, upon his own recognizance or subject to supervision provided by statutes, of a prisoner with an indeterminate or unexpired sentence.

Weddings

Lamarche-Daignault

At St. Alphonse de Ligouri Church, Hawkesbury, the marriage of Miss Lea Daignault, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Raoul Daignault, to Mr. Felicien Lamarche son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Lamarche, of Lachute, was solemnized on Saturday. Rev. Father J. R. Guindon, parish priest, officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Donat Daignault, of Lachute, and was attended by four members of the Children of Mary, an organization to which she belonged.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's uncle, Oscar Theriault, after which Mr. and Mrs. Lamarche left on a trip to Montreal and other eastern points. They will reside in Lachute.

Chatterton-Hodge

The wedding of Alice Florence, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hodge, of Lachute, to Mr. Cecil Dean Chatterton, of Montreal, son of the late C. D. Chatterton and Mrs. Chatterton, of Montreal, took place on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, at Wesley United Church, the Rev. B. B. Brown officiating.

The bride, who was unattended, was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Mr. Wade H. Oder, of Hartford, Conn. Mr. Shirley McKeyes sang, "Where'er You Walk".

Later Mr. and Mrs. Chatterton left for Toronto, and will reside in Montreal on their return.

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Mainly About Montreal

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Special Montreal Correspondent to The Watchman

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Every Canadian should read "Canada, Europe and Hitler" by a young Canadian professor, Watson Kirkconnell, who is on the faculty of the University of Manitoba. To review this book thoroughly would take far more space than your correspondent has at his disposal. Briefly, the first half of the book deals with Europe and Hitler and the circumstances which have led the world into another war. It is the second half which will interest every thinking Canadian because it deals with Canada's problem of the millions of European-Canadians living in our midst.

This section of the book is titled "Canada Faces Hitler" and gives us a too-little-known picture of our foreign problem. The author concludes with a brilliant chapter setting forth his ideas of the steps to be taken to put Canada on a sound national and international footing.

MOVIE OF THE WEEK

Still, "The Lion Has Wings". This picture, which your reporter previewed last week, has taken Montreal by storm. It is undoubtedly one of the greatest attractions ever presented in the local picture palaces.

Other good pictures along the local Rialto are "Drums Along the Mohawk" with Claudette Colbert and Henry Fonda; "The Housekeeper's Daughter" starring Joan Bennett; the hold-over, "Elizabeth and Essex" co-starring Bette Davis and Errol Flynn. Your reporter has not as yet seen the Herbert Wilcox production, "Our Fighting Navy", but it is said to be thrilling and patriotic cinema.

THE SPORT PAGE

Your correspondent invaded the feminine sport world last week-end by interviewing pretty Betty Fournier, crack skier of the Ottawa Norland Ski Club, who paid the metropolis a visit. Miss Fournier has no patience with the type of femaniac who insists the female of the species is as dangerous as the male, in a sports sense. The Ottawa skier who, although a veteran athlete, is all girl, and stoutly insists that the female athlete, no matter how good, has to take a back seat to the "stronger sex". Miss Fournier claims that the best girl skier ranks only with a Class B male and she feels that the same ranking would prevail in all sports. When asked whether she considered strenuous sports good for the "wimmen", she very sensibly replied that common sense was the best reply to that oft-debated question. Any girl desirious of participating in competitive sport should consult a doctor and rely on his judgment. Miss Fournier herself is a living example of the benefits of sport when indulged in wisely.

She closed our interview by naming her choice for an all Eastern-Canada female ski team and very modestly omitted her own name. Your reporter, after consulting with several local sports experts hastens to include it. You can very definitely place the name of Betty Fournier on any all-star ski team. And she is as charming and personable a young lady as she is a star skier. Lucky Ottawa!

RED TRIANGLE HUT

The Y. M. C. A. is again looking after the soldier boys. Last week the association opened a Red Triangle Hut on Phillips Square and dedicated it to Canada's army. The Y operated many of these huts during the last war, both here and abroad, and rare is the soldier who did not, at one time or another, enjoy the benefits of the huts. The officials of the local Hut say their intention is to make it a home away from home for the local troops. Once again the Y leads the way.

PAGING EMILY POST

The old question of "why did the chicken cross the road?" has given way to the new puzzler. The question, which if not settled soon may become a national one, is "Which is the proper way to eat a chicken leg?" Does one daintily trim away what meat one can with a knife and fork, or does one take a good stranglehold on the shin bone with the hands and proceed to give an imitation of a harmonica player rendering "Home on the Range?" The question arose the other night at the Chez Ernest, one of Montreal's smarter supper clubs, when a diner was seen struggling ineffectually with a drumstick. Yours truly suggested the offending limb be taken up in the hands or else the diner was liable to starve to death. A Gazette reporter present, dutifully upholding the propriety for which his paper is noted, vetoed the suggestion with something akin to horror. Emily Post would never permit such behavior in a reputable restaurant. An argument then arose which got noisier and noisier, until finally the Maitre was obliged to threaten the belligerents with an oyster fork (a deadly weapon in the hands of an expert). But the question still remains. Is it, or is it not, proper to eat a chicken leg held in the hands?

SHORT TALKS

'Tis said that a panhandler stopped a pedestrian outside the Montreal Forum the other night and asked for 55c for a cup of coffee. When told that coffee only costs a nickel, he replied, "Sure, but I want to drink it while I watch the hockey game" . . . . . or as one bell ringer said to another. "Brother, can you spare a chime?" . . . . . For downright perversion, the following headline from the New York Daily Worker, Communist paper, takes the fur-lined bath towel. "Red Army Hurls Back Invading Finnish Troops" . . . . . Watch for the movie short, "Winter Playground," soon to be released. It was filmed in the province and boosts Quebec as the ideal winter holiday-land. . . . . It's a tragic joke they are telling about the Finns fighting the Reds to a Finnish. . . . . The name of Russia's bloodthirsty dictator, Stalin, translated literally means, "man of steel." Why not steal?"

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Famous Operas...

"Il Trovatore"

By Giuseppe Verdi
Words by Cammorano
First produced in Rome, January 1853

The palatial dwellings of Aliaferia stand boldly out in the moonlight, as an old family servant, Fernando, tells his associates the story of Garzia, brother of the Count di Luna, their employer.

Garzia was bewitched by an old gypsy, who paid the price of sorcery by being burned at the stake. Her daughter, Azucena, kidnaps the child in revenge, with the intention of throwing it in the fire, but destroys her own son by mistake.

Count di Luna is deeply infatuated with the Duchess Leonora, but when he learns of her affair with Manrico, a troubadour, he challenges his rival to a duel.

Manrico, wounded in the fight, escapes to the gypsies' camp, where Azucena dresses his wound and relates to him the story of Garzia. A messenger arrives, summoning Manrico to the defence of the castle of Castellar. He also hears that Leonora, believing him dead, had entered a convent, and he arrives there just in time to prevent her from taking vows. They go to Castellar just before the siege by Count di Luna's soldiers.

Visiting the gypsies' camp, the Count arrests Azucena as a spy, and she calls to Manrico for help, thereby fanning the spirit of hate in di Luna's heart. Ferando recognizes Azucena as the supposed murderess of the Count's brother. Manrico attempts to rescue her, but is caught and thrown into prison.

Leonora pleads for his release, and offers herself to the Count as a sacrifice. Manrico refuses his freedom, and Count di Luna orders his immediate death. Azucena is forced to witness the scene, and she reveals to the Count that he has slain his own brother. Leonora dies of a broken heart at the sight of Manrico's execution.

The famous Anvil Chorus, "La Zingarella", is from the second act, and Manrico's song to Leonora is also a well known aria.

Seth, Traced to Hebrew, Meaning 'the Appointed'

The name Seth is of Hebrew origin and means "the appointed." The Bible Seth was the third son of Adam, writes Florence A. Cowles in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Col. Seth Warner (d. 1784) was second in command (under Ethan Allen) at the capture of Ticonderoga and rendered good service throughout the Revolutionary war. Seth W. Cheney (d. 1856) was one of the earliest American artists in black and white and his work is still highly prized by collectors.

Seth Thomas (d. 1859) started making his name one of the most familiar in the country when he founded (in Thomaston, Conn.) what developed into one of the largest clock factories in the world. Seth Boyden (d. 1870) invented a machine for splitting leather and one for making hat bodies, and he made the first malleable cast iron. During late life he developed new varieties of strawberries.

Seth Green (d. 1888) pisciculturist, superintendent of New York State fisheries, was highly successful in breeding fish for stocking lakes and streams. He introduced the shad into Pacific coast waters. Seth C. Chandler (d. 1913) astronomist with Harvard observatory, invented the almucantar (for indicating the altitude of stars) and catalogued the variable stars. Seth Pease was a member of the committee of four sent out from Hartford to investigate the Western Reserve after the first white settlers had spent a hard winter here.

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District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

GRENVILLE

Mrs. Margaret Gauley spent the week-end at Kilmar with her son Mr. Fred Gauley and his family.

Miss Vera Gauley, of Montreal, was a recent guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gauley.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor D. Gaudry and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. McCullough on Sunday.

Messrs Lorne and Clifford Cooke have returned from Pagan Falls and are at their home here.

Mrs. Bowden, of Westmount, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lorne Cooke and Mr. Cooke.

Miss Lois Cooke has returned home after spending a week in Montreal.

Mrs. Isaac Arnold visited her son, Mr. Stephen Arnold and Mrs. Arnold, at Calumet on Sunday.

Mr. Willie Davidson and little daughter, of Montreal, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Davidson, here recently.

Mrs. J. E. Arnold of Grenville was a passenger on the Trans-Canada aeroplane leaving Ottawa on November 25th.

CUSHING

Mrs. J. Gleave and son, Russel, of Westmount, spent the week-end at Lorncrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham and Miss Christie Graham were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Scott, Lachute.

Miss Margaret McKiddie, of Vide Sac, spent the week-end with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie.

Miss A. Davidson spent the week-end with friends in Lachute.

Quite a number of Cushing residents attended the opening services of Lachute United Church on Sunday, joining in the general rejoicing at its completion.

The Women's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. L. M. Gaston on Tuesday afternoon next week, Dec. 13, and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 15, at the home of Mrs. A. Graham.

Mrs. W. A. Dempsey entertained the Ladies' Aid on Thursday of this week.

The Misses Francis and Eileen Smith were week-end guests of Miss Freda Bryerton.

An enjoyable social evening under auspices of the Frontier Branch W.I. was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie last Friday evening. After a short business meeting a delightful program of children's songs and recitations was heard, followed by several contests. The Misses Audry and Irma Heatlie sang in duet, also the little Misses Gaston, twin sisters, Myrtle and Myrna; Vivian Heatlie sang "Nellie Gray", to the pleasure of all present. This tiny girl promises to be quite a singer as she grows older. A chorus by pupils of Cushing School was given and a Christmas story read by Miss June Beattie. In the senior spelling contest, Constance Greig and Glenys Bradford were even, and were given equal prizes. The junior prize was won by Audry Heatlie. A contest for the wee tots, pinning the tail on the pig, was won by Myrtle Gaston and Donald Fuller.

Miss Muriel Tait and Mr. John Owens were first prize winners of the familiar names contest, Mrs. T. Weir taking second prize.

The "good old fashioned dinner" contest first-prize winners were the Misses Margaret and Katherine Whelehan, while Mrs. A. and Mr. J. Heatlie, and Mrs. T. Murdoch and Mr. J. Douglas, Jr., tied for second place. After supper was served, all children present were given a bag of candy and peanuts.

GRENVILLE NORTH

Messrs Milton and Osborne Paige, of Noranda, visited their brother, Mr. Carl Paige, recently. They motored to Lennoxville, bringing Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Paige back with them. While here Mr. and Mrs. Paige spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart.

Mrs. Donald Fowler, of Connecticut, visited her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Paige, recently.

Mrs. Walter Murray visited recently with Mrs. John Cameron.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murray were, Mr. John Heatlie, of Ogdensburg, and Mr. Eddie Blair, from Saskatchewan; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Matthews and son, Walter, of Kilmar, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cousins and children, of Calumet.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart were, Mrs. John Stewart, of Port Hope, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Russel Owens, Mrs. Lawrence Gauley and Mrs. Jas. Loughren.

Mr. Walter Murray visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Heatlie, Ogdensburg, on Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Gauley and son, Kenneth, returned to their home here on Sunday after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perks at St. Andrews East.

WEIR

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wiliams and son Bruce, accompanied by Mrs. Geo. Clifton and son, Gerald, of Montreal, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Williams.

Mrs. E. M. Schippel spent a few days in Montreal last week visiting friends.

The Misses Mary and Jessie Bennett, of Montreal, were Sunday guests at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett.

Mrs. E. J. Craig and daughter, Katie, returned to their home on Wednesday after spending the past fortnight visiting friends in New Liskeard and Cobalt, Ont.

Mrs. A. J. Kerr paid a short visit to friends in Montreal last week.

On Friday night, fire of unknown origin destroyed the outbuildings of Mr. B. Larose, containing his hay for the winter. Two cows and a horse were also burned.

Mr. Wm. Duncan, of Montreal, accompanied by a party of friends, spent the week-end here.

Mrs. Robert Williams spent a few days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John MacLean, in Kilmar last week.

Mr. Alex Williams, of Montreal, spent Sunday visiting friends here.

ARUNDEL

The Ladies' Union held a successful Christmas sale of work and tea in the church hall Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Maud Moncrieff, Messrs Ward and George Moncrieff, of Brownsburg, visited at the homes of Mrs. W. H. Kerr and Mr. George Moncrieff on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Graham and daughter, Lois, of Ottawa, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Graham.

Miss Marguerite Henderson, of Montreal, and Mr. E. J. Graham, of Mont Tremblant, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cooke spent the past week in Ottawa.

Miss Muriel Graham, Messrs Gavin and Melvin Graham, spent the week-end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Graham.

Miss Mary Dubeau has returned home from Montreal, where she has spent the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Staniforth, Mrs. Val Swail, Jr., and Mr. Coral Swail were in Montreal last week-end attending the wedding of Miss Frances Young and Mr. James Bates.

CUSHING WEST

Mr. D. G. Greig spent Monday in week in the city.

Mr. Murray Watson, of Montreal, was here for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Whelehan and Mr. S. Robert, spent the latter part of the week in the city.

Miss Eileen Smith, of Montreal, was a week-end guest of Mrs. Usher.

Mr. Eldege Desforges left on Sunday for Lachine to assist with the removal of the buoys from Lake St. Louis until the freeze-up.

Messrs Jack and Billy Greig were home on leave for the week-end.

Mr. Billy Watson, of Ottawa, spent Sunday with his friends here.

There was quite a representation from this vicinity at the opening of the Lachute United Church on Sunday evening.

The "Argenteuil" was placed in her winter quarters at Carillon on Thursday and her crew released from duty until spring.

Mr. Phillip Fraser, of Owen Sound, is visiting his friends in this locality at present. Mr. Jamie Fraser was also calling on friends here Saturday. Mr. Fraser, who has been in the employ of the Nicholson Lumber Co. for several years, has recently joined and expects to go into training with the Air Force very shortly.

Sponges Like Other Animals

Strange though it sounds, sponges live and grow and die just like any other animals. And because they're salt-water animals, the fresh water was their finish, observes the Washington Post. Actually, sponges as we know them aren't sponges but the skeletons of sponges. The sponge is a collection of tiny one-celled creatures who get together and build the skeleton. These curious animals first attracted the attention of the Greeks many years ago. Grecian soldiers wore metal helmets and shin guards and cursed at the blisters they raised. Then someone dove into the Mediterranean, came up with a sponge and discovered it would make a good pad. Sponges were used for bathing then, too, and also as floor mops and brushes.

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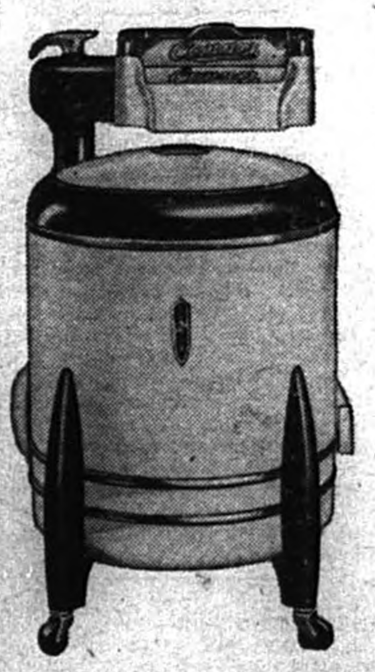
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Hints for Homebodies

Specially Written for Readers of The Watchman
By JESSIE ALLEN BROWN

'NOT PEACE BUT A SWORD'

Vincent Sheehan's latest book, 'Not Peace but a Sword' is being much read at the present time. It gives us first-hand news of the Spanish War, and the situation in middle Europe as he saw it. It is interesting but it will probably make you mad. He is very bitter against Chamberlain and the Tory party generally, including Anthony Eden, as he feels he did not go far enough. He seems to think Britain is the sole protector of the weaker European countries. He hates Hitler and all his works. The book was finished in April and he ends it by saying that war must come soon and that the United States cannot avoid entering it. You will find the book interesting. But I warn you, you will be annoyed.

WE MUST KEEP CHRISTMAS

Many women are puzzled over what to do about Christmas this year. They feel that Life is real, and Life is earnest and to celebrate Christmas is frivolous. We are asked to carry on much as usual. After all, Christmas is primarily for the children — and thank goodness, many of us never grow up when it comes to Christmas. It is a spirit, a state of mind, and must not be judged by the amount of money spent. Use thought and care and make use of the materials at hand, instead of the more lavish use of money. I have never forgotten a neighbor's Christmas buying, in the last War. Her husband was over-seas and she had very little money to spend. I looked after her baby while she went shopping and her purchases were a lesson in buying. She had several nieces and nephews and she made all her purchases for them and her own children, at the five-and-ten, and in those days fifteen cents was their highest price. Everything she bought would have brought joy to a child. Nothing was flimsy and each toy was suitable for the age of the child to have it. Too often an expensive gift is looked at and put aside for some trifle which appeals more to the child. Let joy and love and understanding be our watchwords — not money.

BUY CANADIAN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Once again I am going to make my annual suggestion — buy Canadian Christmas Cards. It used to be not such a simple thing to do. At first there were not many of them and they were rather expensive. That is all changed and we can get cards at any price we like to pay, designed by our Canadian artists, and made by Canadian workmen. You may think the few you buy will not make much difference. Neither it will, but many nickles make a muckle.

NOON PRACTISE

Practising at noon is not a good procedure from the standpoint of health for the child. The routine is about like this, dash home, eat a meal hurriiedly in order to have time to get in a half-hour's practise, and then rush back to school to get there on time. School and practise are the child's work. It is not good for a grown-up to work throughout the day without a break, and it is still worse for a child. They need time to relax and not to be under steady pressure. During the winter months, the sun's rays are of direct benefit only from the hours of ten to two, and the child needs to spend as long as possible out of doors at the noon hour, to get all the available sun.

MINCEMEAT

If you haven't your Mincemeat made, it is time you were up and at it. It will be profitable this year to make your own, as apples are cheaper. This recipe came from a New Brunswick friend. I have made it several times and we think it just about right.

1 lb. raisins, 1 lb. currants, 1 lb. suet, chopped, 3 lbs. apples, 1 teaspoon salt, ¼ pt. cider, 1½ lbs. brown sugar, ¾ lb. mixed peel, juice and chopped rind from 1 lemon and 2 oranges, 1 teaspoon each cinnamon, nutmeg, and allspice.

Put apples, raisins, lemon, oranges and peel through the grinder. Add the remaining ingredients and mix thoroughly.

BOILED RAISIN CAKE

1 lb. raisins, 1 cup butter, 1½ cups sugar, 2 eggs, 2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon soda, 2 teaspoons cinnamon, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 cup chopped walnuts.

Over the raisins pour enough hot water to cover, and cook slowly for 20 minutes. Drain and save a cup of the liquid, adding water if necessary. Cream the butter and sugar, add the well-beaten eggs and beat thoroughly. Sift the dry ingredients and add them alternately with the water. Add the raisins and walnuts, mix well, and bake in a loaf pan, in a moderate oven of 375 degrees for 1½ hours.

CARAMEL COOKIES

1 cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 egg, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 3 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream the butter and sugar and add the beaten egg. Sift in the dry ingredients, add the vanilla and mix thoroughly. Form into two rolls 1½" in diameter. Wrap in waxed paper and chill. Slice thin. Bake in a hot oven of 400 degrees for about 5 minutes. This makes a good foundation cookie and may be decorated as desired.

The DOCTOR Tells the Story

by W.E. Aughinbaugh, M.D.

DOGS

The most unselfish friend in this selfish world — the one that never deserts a man and never proves ungrateful or treacherous — is a dog. I think it was that sage and philosopher, Voltaire, who said, "The best thing about a man is his dog."

My old and good friend, Albert Payson Terhune, the dog fancier, who has written much about these good friends of the human race, insists that dogs are "four-footed gentlemen," and man's most acceptable companion.

As a dog lover I agree with all these sentiments, but as a physician, there is another side to the picture, which I am also forced to observe.

Dogs do carry disease, and the very fact that they are so close to man makes them all the more dangerous. For that reason, their masters should attend them properly, and watch them closely.

Dogs can infect man with a form of mange, with a species of tape worm which may cause cysts, and with a less dangerous type of the same worm which can prostrate one.

They carry fleas unless kept clean by frequent baths, and these insects frequently are the cause of epidemics, such as the bubonic plague.

Dogs should not be encouraged in any affectionate demonstrations such as licking the hands and face of their owners.

Rabies or hydrophobia is a most dangerous disease which dogs can convey to human beings, and the mortality rate is exactly 100 per cent. I have never known a case to recover, unless immediately treated with the Pasteur serum, which was discovered in 1884 by the French savant of that name.

Dogs are responsible for 85 per cent of the hydrophobia cases; wolves, through bitten dogs, cattle and men, for 14 percent, and cats for 1 per cent.

The germs after entering the body ultimately reach the brain, causing convulsions and death, usually in from three to five days. As a rule paralysis precedes death. I once traveled in a first class compartment on a train from Bombay to Lanowli, where the Indian Government maintained a Pasteur Institute.

My only companion was a British army officer, who said to me, after we were locked in for the night, "Old chap, you know I was bitten by a wolf while hunting, and am going to the institute for the Pasteur treatment. I feel a bit queer, and if I start to act strange do not shoot me, but see that I get to the hospital."

He did act queer, in that he was very nervous, so I remained awake all night watching him, not knowing what to expect, but I delivered him safely in the morning.

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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

HOUSE AND HOME

By Mary E. Dague
Author of Sister Mary's Kitchen

Success with house plants need not be limited to those lucky persons who seem to have "green fingers." Given the right plant and a basic understanding of the essentials that make for good growing conditions, and your difficulties are overcome before they develop.

First comes your choice of plant. Remember that the majority of flowering plants have but one blooming period each year The beautiful specimen you buy at the florist's shop was taken months ago by the gardener, cared for and stimulated until it is in full bloom.

The gardener has controlled the conditions of soil, temperature and moisture regularly and systematically, and has undoubtedly told the florist all about the care necessary to keep his stock fresh and healthy in the shop. Ask the florist about watering, temperature and light.

If the plant is to be repotted, the important point to keep in mind is adequate drainage.

The clay pot with bottom drainage hole should be set on a surface that permits a certain amount of air to circulate under the pot. A saucer filled with small pebbles or coarse ashes can be placed under the pot. That prevents the plant from standing in stagnant water.

If the plant is placed in its pot in a jardiniere, this should be large enough to allow some circulation of air around the pot. Standing water should be removed daily.

A plant potted in a non-porous container without a bottom opening should have a good inch of drainage material at the bottom. Large pebbles, broken bits of pottery or good sized marbles are good for this purpose.

If you are sending a plant to a friend who is not a "garden clubber," it's a good idea to enclose simple suggestions regarding its care. Should it be watered from the bottom, does it like lots of sun ? How much water does it need ? Should it be kept in the coolest spot in the house ? These answers will prolong the pleasure your friend has with your gift.

Cook books make delightful Christmas gifts. A friend who likes to entertain often and cleverly will love one of the new books that gives recipes for unusual dishes and foods.

If you like to send food such as fruit cake and mince meat and cookies to friends and family who can't spend the holidays with you, you might include the recipes for the viands you are sending. Put the recipes on Christmas cards, and slip them in an envelope plainly marked "Recipes."

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S UMBRELLA OPENING UP NEW MARKETS

Even Mr. Chamberlain's umbrella, honored representative of the 20,000,000 "gamps" which exist in Great Britain, is helping to fight the Nazis on the front where economic warfare is being waged.

A large increase during the past year in orders for "Chamberlains", as umbrellas have now been nicknamed, has been attributed by manufacturers to the Prime Minister's influence.

Now the umbrella's increased popularity is bringing material as well as moral support to Britain and at the expense of the Nazis.

The disappearance from the British market of rayon umbrella cloths, made in Germany under subsidy from the German government, has given Lancashire a chance which is being eagerly taken. Already Lancashire-produced colored woven umbrella cloths are on the market and selling in quantity for the first time in several years.

A North of England textile expert says : "The British cloth is vastly superior to that recently obtained from the Continent, and as 'value for money' it is much ahead of the German goods.

"There is a parallel case with certain high-class novelty furnishing fabrics made in vat-dyed rayon yarns; they are not only better in design and general appearance than the goods formerly imported, but they have an excellent degree of fastness to light. German goods fade in more than one sense of the term."

MODERN WOMEN

By Dr. M. L. Maffett

At this critical time in world affairs, the Red Cross is again one of the foremost organizations in people's minds, and many have thought, if not spoken, of those who founded this splendid group.

Mrs Peter Voorhees Degraw, of Washington, D. C., who is ninety years old, is the only living founder, in America. Mrs. Degraw was one of fifty who helped Clara Barton start the American Red Cross in May, 1881, and her interest in the organization has never flagged.

A new occupation for cripples has been found by **Mrs. Lillian Mills Mosseller**, whose hobby is hand-made rugs. The increasing vogue for such articles suggested to her that handicapped men and women might earn a living by following this craft. Recently she has become the director of the Federation of the Crippled and Disabled in New York. For some time she has had a studio adjoining the offices of this organization.

Mrs. Mosseller's interest in hand-made rugs was a result of visits to Ashville North Carolina, where mountain women used to bring their rugs to a decorator's shop with which she was associated. The mountain women did beautiful work, and afterwards, under Mrs. Mosseller's direction, they produced much lovelier patterns and colors.

Much of the fine embroidery on trousseau lingerie is done in convents and orphanages in Cuba, according to **Madame Ana Maria Borrero**, who had charge of these exhibits at the New York World's Fair.

Mrs. Eirini Th. Nicoloudis, wife of the Minister of Tourism in Greece, is an ardent promoter of Athens fashions made from Greek materials. In Greece everybody works, peasants and aristocrats, and they are all proud of their traditions.

Anne O'Hare McCormick, of the editorial staff of the New York Times, has been hailed as the "woman of 1939" by a jury of her professional peers. The honor was bestowed upon her for her writing on international affairs.

A farmer complained of being unable to sleep at night.

"If you can't sleep, count sheep," advised his wife.

"I did that last night," said the farmer. "I counted ten thousand sheep and put them in cars and sent 'em to market. By the time I'd figured up my losses it was time to get up and milk!"



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The Queen had a happy glimpse of the human side of Britain's mass-production war effort when Her Majesty recently visited three military clothing factories where the industry's average weekly output is now equivalent to what formerly took a whole year.

More than 3,500 workers, mostly women, are employed in the factories visited by the Queen, and Her Majesty was specially interested in seeing a bride-to-be (they average one a week) with wedding bells decorating her machine, white ribbons in her hair, a display of gifts nearby, and even a flower in the foreman's buttonhole. The Queen asked many questions about the custom and wished the bride the best of luck as she shook hands with her.

A bride of other days was the woman who told the Queen that she had made Army clothing for three wars— the South African, the Great War, and the present war — in her 40 years of factory life.

Among the mass-production marvels the Queen saw was the machine which cuts to pattern 120 thicknesses of khaki in one operation, and a curious device like a baby's chair for rolling material.

The Minister of Supply, Mr. Leslie Burgin, was able to tell the Queen that a 25-year peace time supply of Army greatcoats now takes six months, a 14-years supply of shirts is made in four months, and an 18 months output of boots can now be completed in 30 days.

A number of important causes of death, such as cancer, diabetes, diseases of the heart and arteries, show increases in the rate this year over last. In the United States these causes have also recorded higher rates.

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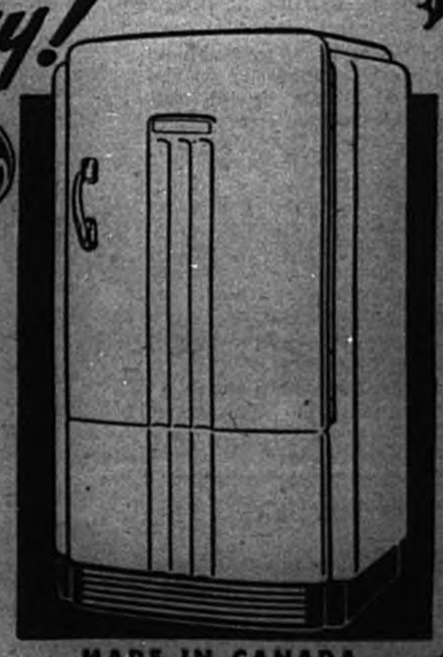
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NOTICE

Mr. Philippe Valois wishes to announce that he will be absent from his office until the last week of December. —1c

Meaning of Word 'Montage'

"Montage" is a French word meaning "setting" or "putting together." In motion pictures it is the section of a film story showing an uninterrupted episode without time lapses, titles, or breaks in action. For instance, the lapse of time may be shown by the falling of leaves to depict the change of seasons, or the turn of calendar leaves to denote the passing of days and months. As Americanized, it is pronounced montage, the "o" as in word mongrel and the "a" as in stage. accent on the first syllable.

Glass Snake Is Lizard

The so-called joint snake or glass snake is a lizard which has the appearance of a snake. It has a very brittle tail, which will break off when grasped. Its scales have a highly polished surface, like glass. There is, of course, no truth in the belief that the broken part will reunite with the rest of the lizard. Some glass snakes are blackish with a bright green spot in each scale, others are olive, with yellow dots on scales, while in others the dots fuse in the form of longitudinal stripes.

BOY SCOUTS THE WORLD OVER



Members of the Beaches Lions Club were made honorary members of the 34th Toronto Wolf Cub Pack, which they are sponsoring.

Specimens of toys made by St. Johns, Nfld., Boy Scouts in connection with their annual Scout Christmas Toy Shop were shown this year at the All-Newfoundland Exhibition.

Each Saturday during October Boy Scouts of Trail, B. C., planted trees and vines in three designated open areas of the city as part of a beautification scheme.

A "TICKET" FOR JAY-WALKERS

More than 2,000 pedestrians of Elmira, N. Y., received "tickets" from Boy Scouts during a traffic safety drive sponsored by the Elmira Junior Chamber of Commerce. Scouts stationed throughout the business district handed tickets to all pedestrians seen taking chances by violating traffic rules. The ticket read, "You are a jay-walker."

MALTA'S BOY SCOUTS IN WARTIME

Maltese Boy Scouts, like their brother Scouts elsewhere throughout the Empire, are rendering valuable wartime service. They are fitting gas masks, blueing car lights, and acting as messengers, orderlies and coast watchers. Older Scouts are on evacuation control and first aid duty with the St. John Ambulance Brigade, and have registered for the blood transfusion service.

MEDAL FOR ENGLISH SCOUT'S ATTEMPT TO SAVE A JAPANESE

The attempt of a 12-year old English Boy Scout of the 2nd Tientsin (North China) Scout Group to rescue a Japanese bather in a rough sea near Peitaiho was recounted in a list of medal award cases issued in London. From shore the Scout, Anthony Lambert, saw a bather in difficulties and another man endeavoring to save him. Lambert ran along the beach until level with the pair, then plunged in and swam 50 yards to help the rescuer. Together they got the drowning man ashore, where Lambert began artificial respiration. The man, a Japanese, did not recover, having been affected by sunstroke. For his courageous effort Scout Lambert was awarded the Gilt Cross.

Call Tenders for Plowing Of Town Thoroughfares

The regular meeting of Lachute Town Council was held in the council chamber last evening, at which were present Mayor W. S. McKimmie and Aldermen George Muir, L. St. Jacques, K. McOuat, D. Pharand, Z. Harbour, E. Prevost and O. Laurin.

Minutes of the last meetings were read and confirmed.

Dr. Lalande appealed to the council for a grant to the Knights of Columbus campaign fund for Army Huts, and the sum of $200 was voted to this cause.

On behalf of the Agricultural Society Mr. J. H. Black appealed for the usual grant of $125. Aldermen K. McOuat and Geo Muir both were of the opinion that the Lachute Fair was a good advertising medium for the town and moved that the resolution of Nov. 8th refusing the grant, be rescinded, and that council vote the sum of $125 as requested. The motion was put and lost in the vote of 2 to 5.

The purchase of 1,000 feet of Dominion Superflex hose was ordered, the town officer, Robt. Todd, being instructed to make the purchase.

It was moved by Alderman Laurin, seconded by Alderman Prevost, that the valuation roll of $2,367,625 be accepted.

Tenders were called for maintenance of roads during the winter months, the town to furnish the necessary plow.

Lachute L.O.B.A. Holds Election of Officers

The election of officers, for the coming year, of the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association of Lachute, took place at their lodge room recently, and was presided over by the Rt. Wor. Grand Mistress of the Province of Quebec, Mrs. R. Barkshire, of Montreal, who was assisted by members of Grenville Lodge, No. 210.

The election resulted as follows: Mrs. Geo. Ball, Worthy Mistress; Mrs. Rachel Copeland, Deputy Mistress; Mrs. Evelyn Martin, 1st committee; Mrs. Harry Ball, recording secretary; Miss E. Boyd, financial secretary; Mrs. S. Holt, treasurer; Mrs. E. Ward, chaplain; Mrs. S. Berry and Mrs. C. Graham, lecturers; Mrs. H. Sutton, director of ceremonies; Mrs. J. Turney, 2nd committee; Mrs. R. Ward, inner guard; Mr. A. Galbraith, guardian; Mrs. S. Berry, Mrs. Isabel Cleland and Mrs. C. Graham, auditors.

After the election refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

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recent orders from Britain bring into clear relief how important this carryover will be to the allied war effort. With such a large amount lying in storage there may unquestionably have been times when producers have been impatient and inclined to be sceptical of its value. But in addition to increased purchases there are harvest conditions in other countries which alter the world wheat situation and increase the importance of Canada's surplus. For example excessive rains in the Argentine and nights of frost will probably reduce that country's crop. In the United States dry fall months have had an effect on the winter wheat prospects. There is a lack of subsoil moisture, and estimates of the winter wheat harvest range about 350 to 400 million bushels when a normal crop is from 550 million to 600 million. The United States, in spite of a heavy carryover of 250 million bushels will likely have little or no wheat for export from this year's crop. Transportation is a major factor these days, with the unremittent struggle on the seas, and the comparative shortness of the North Atlantic route increases the importance of Canada's position in the wheat market in comparison with countries from the Southern hemisphere, such as Argentina and Australia. In the long run, it is felt, Canada's surplus of wheat will likely prove of the greatest value in the prosecution of the war.

In an effort to conserve Australia's resources of non-sterling exchange, and to "prevent the squandering of this exchange on non-essential imports" the government of that Dominion has prohibited imports from non-sterling countries except under special license. This will undoubtedly reduce Canada's exports to Australia which have been reaching an annual total of over 30 million dollars. Commodities coming under the luxury or semi-luxury needs, such as silk stockings, dresses, etc., will likely be substantially reduced. While the new regulations are based on granting import licenses for about one-sixth average imports, it is held that in the case of such commodities as timber, newsprint and auto chasses much needed in Australia, the sales from Canada will not be so drastically reduced.

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"An emplacement situate in the village of the parish of Saint André d'Argenteuil, known and designated as forming part of the lot number three hundred and sixty-five (pt. 365) of the Official Plan and in the Book of Reference of the said parish of Saint André d'Argenteuil, containing fifty-six feet (56) and six inches (6), English measure, in width, by the above said width from the public road to the river, bounded to the east by the said road, to the west by the Rivière du Nord, to the north by the remaining of the lot three hundred and sixty-five (365) and to the south by the lot three hundred and sixty-six (366) the whole as it is now, with the buildings thereon erected and dependencies."

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Lachute Town Corporation
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ANNUAL BAZAAR

The annual bazaar under auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brownsburg United Church, will be held on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 9th, in the church basement. Home-cooking, candy, fancy work and aprons will be sold. Tea will be served from 3 to 6 o'clock. —D7-2c

"LOOK ME IN THE EYE"

Comedy-farce in three hypnotic acts, presented by the Greenlane Community Club, (West Hawkesbury), at the Capitol Theatre, Dec. 12; sponsored by the Brownsburg Women's Institute. Admission 30c. Curtain 8.15 p.m. —1c

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Ladies' Guild of St. Simeon's Anglican Church will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar in the Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian hall on Friday, Dec. 8th. Christmas novelties, useful gifts, home-cooking and candy. Fish pond. Afternoon tea from 3 to 6 o'clock. —D7-2c

RED CROSS

A meeting of the Lachute Branch, Canadian Red Cross Society, will be held in the Court House (upstairs) on Wednesday, Dec. 13th, at 2.30 p.m. —1c

DANCE

A dance and drawing on a piano will be held at McArthur's Hall, Lachute, Que., on Saturday night, Dec. 9th, from 8 to 12. Good music for mixed dancing by Hawkesbury Ramblers Orchestra.

Admission, single, 50c, including one drawing; double, $1, including three drawings. —D7-2c

AYRSHIRE BREEDERS!

The annual meeting and luncheon of the Laurentian Ayrshire Breeders' Club will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 12th, in the Lachute Auditorium, at 12.30 noon. Luncheon will be provided by Jerusalem-Bethany W.I. Membership fee $1 including luncheon. Dr. S. E. Archibald, of Ottawa, will be the guest speaker. Good program.

—Melville Smith, President
W. Erskine Rodger, Secretary
—D7-2c

ANNUAL OYSTER SUPPER

The third annual oyster supper, in aid of the organ fund of Ste. Anastasie Church, is being held on December 12th in the church hall, at 7 p.m. Refreshments will consist of oyster soup, oysters on shell, beans, cake, etc. There will be entertainment, including music and turkey-bingo, together with a door prize. Admission, 75c. —1p

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Trade Exchanges with Britain Adjusted To Meet the Discipline Imposed by War

GROWING IMPORTANCE OF AIR FORCE AS FACTOR IN CANADA'S WAR EFFORT

Ottawa, Dec. 12 — The new agreement between the United Kingdom and Canada for the supply of Canadian bacon to British markets is another important step in the organization of the food resources of the Commonwealth for the successful prosecution of the war. It is a simple maxim that not only soldiers but civilians have to eat regularly if they are to carry on a war. The bacon import business like everything else has been disturbed by the war at sea. Denmark has long been an important source of bacon supply for the British market. Danish bacon is still shipped to England and will continue to be shipped during the war, but the business has encountered difficulties by mine and submarine. Before the war Britain imported bacon in very substantial quantities from the countries on the Baltic sea. The trade with Poland in particular was large, almost on a parity with that from Canada. Now, of course, the mailed fist of Germany is on that country and this trade is cut off. The Netherlands ship bacon to Britain, and there is a steady flow from Ireland, but Canada's position in the bacon industry has become more important than ever and the new agreement provides for the regular weekly shipment of five million pounds or more from this country to Britain.

Under the trade agreement with Britain in 1932, Canada was given a preferred position as a country of the Commonwealth in bacon export up to a total annual sale of 280 million pounds. This quota has never been fully reached, but the bacon trade expanded by leaps and bounds, and what is most important for the successful working out of the present agreement is that Canadian farmers know from experience what the British market demands and can supply the quality of product required. Canadian bacon has an established place in Britain.

But trade has to adjust itself to the discipline of war. Britain has made its deal with Canada for the shipment of from 40,000 to 50,000 hundredweight of bacon weekly at a price of $20.18 per hundredweight (112 pounds) f. o. b. Canadian ports. All matters beyond the ports, shipping arrangements, freight charges etc., are the concern of the British, but the Canadians have to ship in uniform weekly quantities. That is Canadian producers cannot ship large quantities in autumn months when the costs of raising hogs have been comparatively low and cut off shipments in the spring and early summer. The expense of raising pork in winter when feed is given from stored grain, is higher than in the open months when the hogs can go about foraging for themselves. The age of hogs producing Wiltshire sides sold in Britain is six months. It will therefore be clear that on the question of costs the season in which the hogs are littered is a matter of consideration.

A bacon board will be appointed in Canada. The duty of the board will be to arrange the successful operation of the agreement from the Canadian end. The interests of farmers, packers and Canadian consumers will have to be safeguarded. The board will work out a satisfactory processing rate for packers, and prices to be paid farmers, these prices varying with the seasons, that is taking into account the change in seasonal costs. It will also be the duty of the transport controller to aid through his power of granting "priority" transport rights, in the uninterrupted flow of supplies to the seaboard so that full advantage will be taken of available shipping space. In this as in the shipment of the other supplies which in growing volume will leave Canadian ports for Britain and allies, the transport controller will work in close collaboration with the British ministry of shipping.

By every means in his power the minister of finance is conserving the financial resources of the Dominion for the object of winning the war "which must be our dominant objective". A short time ago he announced that the central mortgage bank would not operate for the present because of the heavy outlay of public funds which its operation would entail. During the past week there has been the announcement that from January 1st loans under the Dominion Housing Act will be limited to a maximum of $4,000, and that there will be no loans on apartments and duplexes. A section of the act which provides help from the government to home owners, in meeting taxes for three years after the construction of dwellings, will not be operative on houses on which construction will start after May 31, 1940, for which applications were made prior to January 1, 1940. "The heavy demands of the war" said the minister's statement, "are making it essential to divert our expenditures more and more from peacetime projects in order to concentrate on war activities".

The headquarters staff of the Royal Canadian Air Force has moved to new, more commodious offices in the capital. This symbolizes the growing importance of the air force in Canada's war effort, an importance emphasized by the new Empire air training scheme located in this country. An official statement recently released pointed out that the war establishment of Canada's air force is 1,500 officers and 15,000 airmen. The present strength of the force is not given out. Recruiting, it is well known, has been on an entirely satisfactory scale. The spirit that pervades the Canadian air force rests upon a proud tradition of Canadian exploits in the last war. In addition to the expanding air force in Canada, there are many Canadians now in the Royal Air Force. They are being given a distinctive unit of their own in that service.

Tragedy at C.N.R. Crossing on Lachute-Montreal Highway

COLLISION WITH STATIONARY FREIGHT TRAIN

When he crashed into a freight train stopped across the level crossing at Petit Brule, five miles west of St. Eustache, around 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, Rene Rousseau, 35, of Montreal, was fatally injured. He was crushed beneath the load of stone which was impelled forward and covered his cab and it was necessary, after the crash, to remove the truck to a garage where the sides of the cab had to be cut away with an acetylene torch to get the body out. It was stated by a witness at the inquest later that the victim was still alive when discovered, but that he was dead by the time help arrived.

Dr. Joseph Pagé, of St. Benoit, district coroner, held an inquest Tuesday afternoon but after the jury had heard two witnesses the case was adjourned for evidence of C. N. R. officials and trainmen.

Main witness was Albert Laberge, of Montreal, a fellow employee at the Paul Prevost stone-works, Montreal, who was following the victim in another truck, headed for Ottawa. Witness was about a quarter of a mile behind. They had reached Petit Brule, which is one and a half miles from La Fresniere station, when Laberge noticed that the rear light of Rousseau's truck suddenly went out. He stopped at once and ran forward on foot. Rousseau's truck had crashed into the side of a freight car over the crossing. There were no lights on the car, said the witness, and he had not seen the freight car himself until he reached the scene of the crash. The train had stopped to allow the engine to take water.

Laberge said Rousseau was still alive when he found him. He rushed for aid but when he returned with members of the train crew, Rousseau was dead. The garage at Ste. Scholastique was summoned and the truck was pulled away to the garage where it was necessary to cut away the sides of the cab to get the victim out.

At Tuesday's hearing the coroner had not been informed why the freight train should have stopped across the highway crossing without a light having been placed as a warning to motor traffic.

Hawkesbury Wants All Single Unemployed on Relief Rolls

At a meeting of Hawkesbury Town Council this week a motion was adopted to communicate with the Prime Minister of Ontario, the Attorney-General of the province, the Minister of Welfare and Aurelien Belanger, M.L.A. for Prescott County, requesting that all single unemployed be included in the relief rolls immediately.

ELDERLY MAN IS KILLED BY A FALLING TREE

WM. A. GORDON, RESIDENT OF EAST SETTLEMENT

The tragic death of Wm. A. Gordon, of East Settlement, occurred Wednesday afternoon in a bush-lot accident. A resident of the community for 34 years, Mr. Gordon was much respected, and though in his 72nd year was remarkably active.

It is possible that his keen desire for activity indirectly resulted in his death, for on Wednesday around 4.30 o'clock he was helping his son, Orrin, and James Dorion, to cut wood in the bush. The younger men remarked that they could manage the work, and requested Mr. Gordon to go home. Thinking he had gone, they continued cutting, and as the tree was felled they heard a cry, and, horrified, discovered that Mr. Gordon had been struck by a large branch.

Summoning a neighbor, David Black, to their assistance, Orrin Gordon and James Dorion carried the victim to his home, where he shortly succumbed to injuries about his head and a fractured leg.

District Coroner Dr. J. H. Mason was summoned and pronounced the death as accidental, considering an inquest unnecessary.

Mr. Gordon leaves his wife, two sons, Orrin of Louisa and Archie of Dunany, as well as six grandchildren, a brother, Angus, of U. S. A., and three sisters, Mrs. E. Wood, Mrs. John Paul and Mrs. John Hadley.

The funeral will take place from the Gordon home at East Settlement on Friday at 2 p.m.

COUNCILLORS REPLACED AFTER RESIGNATION

WENTWORTH COUNCIL UNDERGOES CHANGE

Three of the six members of the Wentworth Municipal Council resigned at its monthly meeting at Laurel recently because a motion they had put forward in favor of a change of secretary failed to cary. The three councillors, together with a fourth elected by acclamation, had, at the elections last July, given a pledge to the ratepayers, who include a large number of Montrealers with summer residences in the township, that they would support the naming of a bilingual secretary.

The motion to make a change came before the Council at its meeting, and on the vote being called W. Furniss Clarke, F. Allen and N. Brunet voted for it, and F. Mosely, S. Rose and W. Morrison against. Mayor Leslie Adamson had no casting vote on a matter affecting appointment of officials as under the Municipal Code such motions must be approved by a majority of all councillors, so the proposal was declared lost.

The three councillors immediately handed in their resignations, and the Quebec Municipal Commission was then consulted as to the procedure to be taken to re-constitute the Council.

Following the retirement of Councillors Noel Brunet in Seat No. 1, Frank Allen in Seat No. 2, and W. Furness Clarke in Seat No. 4, who resigned at the regular meeting on Dec. 2, after being defeated on the motion above referred to, a special meeting of the council was held on Saturday, Dec. 9th, and Paul Gagné was appointed in Seat No. 1, Melvin Boyd in Seat No. 2, and William Wheeler in Seat No. 4 to fill the vacancies.

Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director of Experimental Farm, Urges Quality Agricultural Products

GUEST SPEAKER AT ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE LAURENTIAN AYRSHIRE CLUB, IN AUDITORIUM



DR. E. S. ARCHIBALD,

Director of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Ottawa, who was guest speaker at the Laurentian Ayrshire Breeders' annual banquet in Lachute Auditorium.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Laurentian Ayrshire Breeders' Club was held Tuesday afternoon in the Lachute Auditorium. Prior to the meeting, the ladies of the St. Jerusalem Women's Institute furnished a tasty luncheon, to which all did full justice.

Invited guests outside of the organization included Mr. Geo. Héon, M.P., Mayor W. S. MacKimmie, of Lachute, Mayor John Hadley, of St. Jerusalem, Mr. Felix Hungerbuhler, James McKenzie, the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, Gerard Tremblay, Jean Bertheaume, T. K. Haller and J. S. Giles. The Hon. Geo. E. Dansereau was unavoidably prevented from being present.

Mr. J. H. Black made pleasing reference to the attendance of Mr. Wm. Todd, who is now 91 years of age.

Introduced by Alex. Bothwell, county agronomist, the guest speaker, Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director of the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, gave a most helpful and inspiring address. He told his listeners many important truths concerning their work as agriculturists. From the viewpoint of agricultural supplies he affirmed that the present war was different from that of 1914-1918. In the early days of the last war, supplies drew big prices because of scarcity, but lessons had been learned, and the fact that Canada had 480 million bushels of wheat in storage would prove a boon instead of a national calamity. Dr. Archibald outlined a definite plan of management and urged his hearers to make quality the standard of production, in all lines of their endeavor.

Votes of thanks were extended to the speaker, and to all who had contributed in making the banquet a signal success.

The officers for the year were elected, as follws: Hon. president, J. H. Black; president, Melville Smith; vice-pres., Felix Hungerbuhler; sec.-treas., W. Erskine Rodger; on the executive, Allan Walker and Edmund Smith.

Auditor, Alex Bothwell.

Judge for the Lachute Show, William Gibson, Alta Crest Farm, Spenser, Mass.

Reserve judge, Gerard Tremblay, St. Eustache.

The financial standing of the club for the year is as follows.

Receipts	$171.84
Disbursements	98.58
Balance	73.76

It was also reported that the club is sponsoring a blood-testing campaign.

Many Accidents on Highways of this District; Weather Conditions Contribute

A well known Grenville resident, Mr. Mac I. Pridham, who received injuries when struck by a car last week and was taken to Dr. Kelly's Hospital at Hawkesbury, is reported to be making satisfactory progress.

Mr. Pridham, leaving his house to go to the post-office late on Tuesday afternoon, was crossing the road to the sidewalk when he was hit by an auto driven by Miss Ann Lobb, of Hawkesbury. The car was owned by Harry Greenspon, of that town. Mr. Pridham, who is 57 years of age, received painful injuries to the knee and about the head.

At 11 o'clock Friday night six persons were hurt in a collision between two autos at a spot not far from the previous accident — on the curve near Gauley's Garage at Grenville.

Geo. Downing, of Kilmar, driving eastward, crashed with a car driven by Evan Fox, of Harrington, proceeding in the opposite direction. The lights of an approaching car, according to Fox, dazzled his vision and caused the cars to crash.

Injured in the mishap were— Geo. Downing, who was knocked unconscious, suffering a fractured rib, head and face injuries; Hervé Bernier, 22, of Kilmar, who had six teeth knocked out and a fracture of the knee-cap which will disable him for several weeks; and Edward Boyd, of Kilmar, who had a cut nose. Three other occupants were slightly injured. Removed to Dr. Kelly's Hospital at Hawkesbury, Downing and Bernier were detained for treatment, the former being allowed to return home the following day.

At a point two miles west of St. Philippe early Monday evening, Gerard Lefebvre, Montreal, driving west in a Pontiac car, crashed into the rear of a farm tractor. The tractor, owned by Albaini Foucault, a farmer of the district, was driven by his son, Hervé, and his two young brothers were riding with him on the vehicle. One, aged 9 years, was struck on the head, and was taken by the traffic contable to recive medical treatment from Dr. C. E. Lafrance, Hawkesbury.

The lights of an oncoming car blinded Lefebvre so that he could not see the tractor ahead until it was too late to stop, and faced with the alternative of striking either the car or the tractor, he crashed into the heavier vehicle, damaging his car considerably. Foucault stated there was a lighted lantern on the rear of his tractor, while Lefebvre and a passenger contended the machine was unlighted.

In the freezing rain-showers of Saturday night, ice-coated windshields made motoring a perilous venture, and in the heavy traffic hereabouts two collisions were reported.

Opposite the C.P.R. water tank on Chatham Street, around 10 p.m. on Saturday, Gordon Mathews, of St. Philippe, while driving toward town, crashed into a stationary car which the driver, André Theoret, had stopped to remove frost from the windshield. The same condition obscured Matthews' vision, with the result that he drove into the rear of Theoret's machine, both cars being damaged in the mishap.

At a later hour on Saturday, shortly before midnight, Romeo Lemay, of St. Philippe, driving from Lachute on the Brownsburg Road, met a car driven by Gordon Elliott of Lachute, who was coming toward town. Accompanying Lemay were his wife and three daughters, while four young Lachute men were passengers in Elliott's car. One of the latter, Jean Paul Charron, of Lachute Mills, was the only casualty as the cars sideswiped. Elliott's machine swerved into the ditch after the collision and turned over; the door flew open, throwing Charron to the ground, and his leg was broken as the car rolled onto it.

The victim had suffered a fracture of his left leg in a sewer cave-in while working last year for Lachute town. Following the injury to his other leg on Saturday he was treated by Dr. L. P. Sauvé and removed to his home.

Traffic Officer H. Jones, of Lachute, investigated the accidents.



MINE SWEEPING TRAWLERS AT WORK OFF BRITISH COAST

Two destroyers can be seen faintly in the distance beyond the three trawlers on which proceeds, day after day, unspectacular but very important work.

Red Cross Branch Is Organized in Calumet

Calumet, Que.—

A meeting was held on December 4th to organize a branch of the Red Cross; the following officers were installed—President, Mrs. W. A. Williamson; vice-presidents, Mrs. L. Whinfield and Miss Mary Higginson; secretary, Mrs. E. Brunet; treasurer, Mrs. S. Arnold.

Geo. Héon, M.P., Appeals in "Army Huts" Campaign

CALLS FOR HELP FROM THE "HOME FRONT"

Speaking to the large crowd attending the Sunday evening performance of the Rex Theatre, Georges H. Héon, M.P., asked that generous contributions be given to the "Army Huts" fund organized by the Knights of Columbus so that Canadian soldiers may be provided with shelter, recreation, books and refreshments whilst off duty.

Stressing that the Army Huts would be available to soldiers of all races and creeds, the Argenteuil M.P. stated that the present conflict was one waged for the triumph of the forces of Christianity over those of Evil, and the right for the small individual and nation to choose for themselves their mode of thought, religion and existence without interference from the international "bullies".

"Not everyone could nor should serve in the war-zone", said Mr. Héon, "but everyone can and must serve on the Home Front, so that a general, united, co-operative effort will be made to bring about a swift and just victory. Christianity being at stake, the three greatest Christian virtues should be immediately exemplified in every home by everyone, through Faith in the justice of our cause, Hope for eventual victory, and Charity for those fighting our battles, by donations and subscriptions."

Mr. Héon closed his address by expressing the hope that the Lachute District campaign for Army Huts would go over the top with a substantial margin.

Doctor E. Lalande added a few words in French.

Widow of Dr. Henry Drummond Dead at Laurentian Home

May Isabel Harvey, widow of Dr. William Henry Drummond, famous Canadian poet whose French-Canadian dialect poems have become internationally known, died quietly at her Laurentian home at Ivry, near Ste. Agathe, on Tuesday, in her 70th year. She had been in ill health for several months.

A great aid and inspiration to her husband during their brief life together, Mrs. Drummond, following Dr. Drummond's death in 1907, assembled and edited his last work, "The Great Fight," which was published posthumously, and to it she added an enlightening character study of her husband. She was a well-known writer in her own right and was the author of "Quamin," a story of her native Jamaica, as well as several short stories.

Scouts Issue Last Call For Discarded Toys

It is reported by the local Boy Scout Toy Repair Shop that donations of toys, books and games are coming in steadily but rather slowly. Many more will be required, however, to equal the output of previous years and it is hoped that a sufficient number will be received so that none of the needy children in the district will be disappointed.

All toys should be sent in as soon as possible so that they may be prepared for distribution in good time and it should be noted that such toys should be delivered at the workshop not later than Monday evening, December 18th.

If you still have a parcel to be called for, please notify a member of the Boy Scout Troop and it will be sent for promptly, or you may leave it in care of the Farmers' Supply Company, 84 Foundry Street (opposite C.P.R. station) Lachute.

"INCOME TAX PRIMER"

Q—Who are required to furnish income tax returns ?

A—Everyone receiving revenue of more than $1,000 per year if single or $2,000 if married, no matter what the source.

Q—What constitutes revenue under the Act ?

A—(a) Any amount gained by personal effort and endeavor such as salaries, wages, commissions, etc., known as Class "A". (b) Any amount gained by the use of money, property or other assets owned by the individual, such as rents, interest, etc., known as Class "B".

Q—What records are required by the Act ?

A—Sufficient permanent records to enable the figures contained in the returns to be readily verified and checked by the Department Officials.

Q—What principal deductions are allowed against Revenue by the Act ?

A—Class "A" : Any expenditure incurred solely, wholly, and entirely for the purpose of earning the revenue. This does not apply to salaries unless there is a specific contract providing for the payment of certain expenses out of such salary, nor does it include ordinary living or personal expenses.

Class "B" : Any necessary and reasonable expense for repair and to maintain the asset in condition to earn rental or interest.

Q—When are Income Tax Returns due ?

A—On or before the 30th of April for the preceding calendar year; 1939 returns should be filled out and sent in before April 30th in 1940.

Q—How are the necessary forms obtained ?

A—Forms are free and are obtainable at any post office, where they are issued in triplicate, two to be completed and sent in to the Department and one kept as record.

Q—If through some ignorance or neglect a person has not made the proper returns or no returns at all, what should he now do ?

A—Rectify the error by making the necessary returns voluntarily without delay, and, unless records are in existence to make this a simple matter, obtain the services of someone expert in Income Tax matters to make certain they are properly made. This procedure will not only save time and worry later on, but in most cases will result in a money saving greater than the fee involved for such work.

Making History in Argenteuil

Extracted from the Fyles of The Watchman

60 Years Ago

Friday, December 12, 1879

Lakefield — Mr. H. McManis appeared before the Gore council and requested to have the valuation of his property raised from $160 to $200. On motion of Councillor Christie, seconded by Councillor Boyd, the valuation of the property in question was raised to $200.

The County Council met this week at the Court House, Lachute. Those present were, Thos. Barron, Esq., warden, and Messrs. John Hay, Chatham, J. B. Brown, Grenville, Isaac Jekill, Morin Flats, Matthew Strong, Mille Isles, John Chambers, of the Gore, and the secretary-treasurer.

We paid a visit on Saturday last to St. Andrews and were agreeably surprised, on entering the store of Messrs. G. and M. Simpson, to find it crowded with customers. Mr. Simpson told us they were doing double the business of last year; some days their cash sales amount to over $200.

We are pleased to learn that some of our leading merchants in this county are adopting business on a cash basis. Farmers can now dispose of farm produce for cash at all seasons of the year, and the old credit system will soon be a thing of the past.

25 Years Ago

Friday, December 10, 1914

A deputation consisting of Messrs. H. Slater, W. H. Banford, G. F. Calder and others appeared before the Parish council and made an appeal on behalf of the Patriotic Fund. Mayor Black presided, and Councillors Boyd, Muir, Hume, Gordon and the secretary-treasurer, Jas. W. Gall, were present. After due consideration the council voted the sum of $200.

Mr. Telesphore Dalaire, Jr., who is in training for service at the front with the 2nd Contingent, was home this week on a 72-hour furlough. His friends are pleased that he is already wearing two stripes, which he expects soon to be supplimented by a third.

News of the victory of Admiral Sturdee's ships over the German squadron of Admiral von Spee, is welcome and significant. The Schamhurs, Gneisenau and Leipzig, three powerful cruisers, have ended their careers.

"It is my duty to bear testimony to Mr. Perley's spendid service to his country during these trying months."

—Sir Robert Borden

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Sing and Dance Honoring Dead Is Celebes Custom

Typical of such dances in Celebes is the so-called ma'badong mbating, meaning literally to sing mourning songs for the dead. In this dance, writes Claire Holt in Asia Magazine, men form a circle and, while chanting in solemn chorus words of lament or praise for the deceased, slowly stretch and bend the knees, occasionally making a step sideways. One hand is laid on the shoulder of the next dancer and the other arm, bent at the elbow, is slowly brought forward and then extended sideways to the rhythm of the song. This dance is usually executed in front of the house where the corpse is lying and, later, also at the place where the sacrificial bulls are being slaughtered—for slaughtering of bulls is one of the most important features of all big Toradja celebrations. The higher the rank of the person who died, the greater the number of slaughtered bulls.

Death festivities offer to the younger people many opportunities for developing their art of dancing and singing, since guests coming to the house of mourning have to be welcomed and entertained. Little troupes of dancers specialize in such dance forms.

HINTS FOR HOME BUILDERS

Basement plans, frequently overlooked by builders, are as important as plans for any other part of the house. Particular attention should be paid to location of furnace, coal bin and coal entry. These should all be within easy reach of each other.

Asphalt shingle roofings are now Canada's most popular roofing material, stepping out far ahead of wood shingles or slate. Their big advantages are easy and inexpensive application, fire safety, attractive apearance and insulating qualities.

Future home builders are in many cases saving sufficient capital for down payments through use of savings certificates, which are extremely convenient and acceptable forms of saving money for future use. Certificate figures indicate a building boom within five years.

A fire danger spot in a home is immediately over the furnace. Wise builders who never want to collect fire insurance use cement floors over the furnace and surface them with asphalt tile floorings.

Psychologists who study the influence of home surroundings on private lives are loud in their praise of modern introduction of color into the home. "Indoor sunshine", they claim, is of the utmost value, especially during winter months.

Floors in colors to harmonize with walls and draperies are a modern decorating idea.

With the dining room on the way out, builders might well consider having dining room and sun room in one. A sun room, glass enclosed, makes an ideal dining room and could be equipped with a drop-leaf table so that it is not waste space for ninety per cent of the time.

While the trend in Canadian home construction is slowly becoming modern, the flat roof presents an obstacle peculiar to Canadian conditions. The flat roof is modern, it provides a summer sun balcony and it is attractive, say builders, but the prospective builder should spend some time shovelling off the snow before he decides on one for his own property.

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EDITORIAL

BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF PRAISE

A group of teachers listened to another teach a class in Latin. They were invited to write out their criticism. They tore that teacher to shreds. Had she read those criticisms it is doubtful if she would ever have had the courage to teach again.

Commenting on the same lesson Dr. Samuel M. North, State High School Supervisor of Maryland, said : "There was just one good point in this lesson. Let us first single that out for praise and then build our advice on it. Let us show her how to apply the same principle to the other points of her teaching."

Commenting on the above Dr. Patterson Wardlaw said, "He realized he had come, 'not to condemn, but to save; not to show off his own superiority, but to lend a hand.' Here breathed the spirit of a master-teacher !"

Truly, superior mothers and fathers are something like Dr. North. Successful heads of lodges and other organizations use like tactics in a similar spirit. The progressive foreman and department head in factory and business knows the value of helping those he wants to help, to keep their self-respect.

Wise leaders who must criticize begin at the point of praise.

COMPLICATIONS IN EVACUATING DANGER ZONE

The story of Britain's efficient evacuation of city children has stirred the hearts of all Canadians and the fact that it was executed without mishap was received with the greatest gratification. The health conditions of the evacuees will be of further interest, especially since authoritative information is now available as to the medical side of evacuation.

The British press has been giving much attention to the claim that Britain's school medical services should be condemned for the revelation of vermin infestation of school children. *The Medical Officer*, a journal printed in London for medical men in government and municipal services, in an early October issue gives details from the south-western corner of Surrey, covering the billeting of over six thousand children, chiefly from London.

At the dispersal centres every evacuee was medically examined by teams of nurses and no delay caused to the billeting officers.

Verminous heads and bodies were one of the chief troubles. So was impetigo, of which there were 21 cases. Other contagious diseases included 4 diphtheria, 8 chickenpox and 8 whooping cough cases and according to the district medical officer of health, scarcely more than a fortnight after the evacuation, there were epidemic troubles in all parts of the district, but these were kept localized. "So far", this doctor reports, "infectious disease is almost confined to the evacuees, the local children remaining free."

In answering a correspondent from Lincolnshire who condemned the authorities for the state of health of the children, *The Medical Officer* says the fact that Lincolnshire's standard is obviously high is the best defence of the school medical service. It points out that in most of the smaller towns into which the children of vulnerable cities have been sent, public health practice had reached a higher level than in the great cities.

Child culture in the crowded slums of vast cities, it adds, is a very different problem from what it is, or was, in the small towns of Lincolnshire which are exceptionally well placed both by environment and tradition.

But it agrees that its correspondent's anger is justifiable "at finding his district fouled from the source to which he has been led to expect enlightenment. He is not alone. Most reception areas have been troubled by evacuees who are dirty in person, or in habits, or suffering from contagious skin diseases; and many medical officers, determined to prevent the deterioration of their districts, have adopted vigorous methods of cleansing and cure regardless of their powers, or of the consequences, with the surprising results that their measures are welcomed and not resented."

PECULIARITIES OF THE QUEBEC MOTOR VEHICLES ACT

A Quebec judge recently disparaged an item in the Motor Vehicles Act as "one of those unfortunate laws which, if strictly complied with, would cause a series of disasters". The opinion was that of Mr. Justice Barclay in the Court of Appeal, and his reference was to the law which requires a motorist, driving on a highway where the speed limit is 30 miles an hour, to reduce his speed to 16 miles an hour when passing a car proceeding in the opposite direction.

We were blissfully ignorant that this law existed; so doubtless are 75 per cent of drivers in this province. But in making its acquaintance, our thoughts turn to that other incongruity of modern highway conditions — the unlighted farm vehicle, which is still indeed permitted by Quebec law. . . . These instances, and the 30-mile speed placards, which are honored more in the breach than the observance, suggest a need for revamping of the Quebec highway code.

. . . Incidentally, the reversal of decision against the motorist, here referred to, is of interest for its local bearing. The circumstance occurred on the Laurentian Highway near Ste. Therese over three years ago. The plaintiff, one Donald McKenzie, was bringing up the rear of a quartet of cyclists riding in file. The motorist, C. Plouffe, struck the plaintiff, who subsequently won a suit for damages to the amount of $3,445. The appeal court, however, observed that Plouffe had passed McKenzie's three friends, and believed he would also have passed McKenzie if the latter had not suddenly swerved. . . . The trial judge, although ruling against the motorist, observed that, while he had been driving beyond the statutory speed limit, this did not in itself constitute negligence or fault. To which the appeal judge added, the provision of the Act which stipulates that vehicles must slow down to 16 miles an hour when passing one another, "is one of those unfortunate laws which, if strictly complied with, would cause a series of disasters. If a man driving on a public highway, where the speed limit is 30 miles an hour, suddenly reduced to 16 miles every time he saw another car coming, he would be considered a public nuisance endangering the following traffic."

"ENGLAND EXPECTS EVERY SPIDER . . . "

According to a recent statement by an official of Britain's Ministry of Supply, spiders are doing useful war work. They are employed in factories all over the country to provide webs from which graticules for binoculars are made. The nation will certainly be grateful for this patriotic effort—and so, too, no doubt, will the Fly. For with these webs carefully guarded, she will not face as many parlor tricks.

It is not, of course, the first occasion on which the Spider has "done his bit." Was it not his coup with the Bruce that gave Scotland its freedom ? However, on both sides of the border he has been accorded open dislike. And one imagines the publicity given to the Muffet episode may have also tended to sour him. On the whole, it is really very decent of him to turn now and show, to such good purpose, the stuff that is in him.

—Christian Science Monitor

SKILLED CRAFTSMEN LACKING IN CANADA

It is now reported that the most pressing need in Canada today is for skilled tradesmen. Well it's been pressing for years back and nothing was done about it. Very few young people today will take either the time or the pains to become apprentices to skilled trades. So we have had for years half-baked carpenters, builders, plumbers, steamfitters and so on all over the map, unless it's been our good luck to have at hand some Old Country trained men who know all about their jobs. Now in armament and aircraft factories, skill and accuracy are at a premium. Let's hope that this time in Canada we'll learn the lesson that these things come no easy way. Both depend on slowly gained knowledge allied with practical experience as apprentices. Recommendations made years ago to governments in Canada and the United States that real Trade Schools were needed have gone unheeded and manual training in our High Schools meets the need only part way. So now we are unable to lay hands on skilled men who can earn the high wages offered in the war industries. Will the lesson last any longer than the last war ?

—Elora Express

SI PETERKINS SEZ :

I see by the papers thet Mayor La Guardia is campaigning agin folks throwin chawed gum on the sidewalks. It costs the city several thousand dollars a year to remove it sos no one will git mired in it. Why wouldn't it be a good idee to have Used Gum receptacles on evry lamp post. It could then be collected and dumped into some of the cantankerous political machinery in some of the big cities in the hopes of gumin up the works — by gum ! ! !



WALKERS . . . . . hazard

People walking on the highways account for more than 39 per cent of all motor fatalities. Last year 12,500 pedestrians were killed by automobiles in the United States.

We hear a lot about drunken drivers, but 13 per cent of the road-walkers killed had been drinking, as compared with 9 per cent of the drivers who suffered a similar fate.

Children running into the street, and old people who became confused in traffic, figured largely in the year's motor deaths.

Most of that sort of accidents occur in the cities, where more cars are passing and more people are trying to cross streets. Where the police have adopted effective measures to regulate pedestrians at crossings, the toll of motor deaths drops rapidly.

DUCKS . . . . . stop

Driving down the four-lane Taconic Parkway on a recent Sunday, I saw the car ahead of me come to a sudden stop. The driver signalled, and I drew alongside of him and stopped, too. At the same instant two cars coming in the opposite direction stopped a few feet ahead of us. In a couple of minutes there were a hundred or so cars lined up, honking their horns impatiently.

What had happened ? A mother duck had chosen that particular moment to cross the highway with her brood. With a dozen fluffy ducklings trailing in single file behind her she took her own good time, waddling along with an occasional "quack" to her little ones, completely unconcerned with the fact that she was holding up traffic on one of the busiest roads leading out of New York.

The word passed back down the line and scores of people got out of their cars to see the amusing sight of the duck and the ducklings. Everybody was good natured about it all. I have yet to see the motorist who would deliberately run down even such an unimportant and trivial creature as a baby duck.

DARKNESS . . . . . toil

Most of the animals that are killed on the highways, and a large proportion of the road-walkers, meet their fate at night. One of the best drivers I ever knew was killed one night a mile or so from my place in the country because he caught the gleam of some animal's eyes reflected by his headlights and swerved too sharply in trying to avoid killing one of God's lesser creatures.

Driving over Stockbridge Mountain in the early morning I often see the pitiful reminders of the night's tragedies. More than once, in the dim light just before sunrise, a pheasant has whirred up from the woods beside the road and dashed into my car, once shattering the windshield.

Before the town built a bridle path along the road in front of our house, separated from the concrete by a wide grass strip, several children were killed each year by cars, right on the village street. Now the greatest danger is to bicycle-riding youngsters of high-school age, who prefer the smooth highway and ride in droves in apparent disregard of the constant flow of motor traffic.

WEATHER . . . . . war

One of the perils of war is the danger that our Atlantic coast may be swept by storms of which we have no warning. The Weather Bureau has worked for years to develop a system whereby ships crossing the Atlantic Ocean in both directions report the weather conditions at regular intervals, by radio.

By charting these reports it has been possible to forecast northeast gales, tropical hurricanes and other approaching disturbances carrying danger to small craft, water-front property or inland regions, in time to provide protection against them.

Now hardly any ship afloat, except those of the United States, dares to report its position for fear of German submarines. So many neutral ships have been sunk that none feels safe in letting a possible lurking U-boat know where to find it.

Even the few ships flying the American flag will not be able to render the customary weather service if Congress passes the proposed law to keep U. S. craft out of the zones of warfare.

HURRICANES . . . . . headlines

I have met many people, and have heard of many more, who are afraid to spend their winters in Florida for fear of hurricanes. That is as sensible as being afraid to go to Chicago because of the gangsters. Only two hurricanes in a quarter of a century have swept any part of Florida with serious results. Long Island and New England, last Fall, suffered more property damage and loss of lives from the hurricane which destroyed thousands of homes and levelled millions of acres of forest, than Florida has ever experienced.

The "hurricane season" in the Caribbean, where these storms generate, is over by November and does not begin again until July. The coming season ought to see Florida crowded with visitors. There's no better place I know to go, from December to May.



TO SHIELD SOLDIERS' EYES

During the World War more than 30,000 British soldiers were blinded by shell fragments, and to guard against such disablement Sir Richard Cruise, eye specialst for Queen Mother Mary, has designed the chain visor shown above. It is shown raised, but can be pulled down when necessary.

Editorial on John Brown's Raid

After John Brown's raid on the armory in Harper's Ferry in 1859, a Philadelphia editor exploded with an editorial blast at the whole community of Oberlin, says a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He wrote: "Oberlin is located in the very heart of what may be called 'John Brown tract' where people are born abolitionists and where abolitionism is taught as the 'chief end of man' and often put into practice . . . Oberlin is the nursery of just such men as John Brown and his followers . . . Here is where the younger Browns attain their conscientiousness in ultraisms, taught from the cradle up, so that while they rob slave holders of their property, or commit murder for the cause of freedom, they imagine they're doing God service."

READY WIT

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GRENVILLE

Mr. Russel Owens, Jr., was home with his parents for the week-end.

Miss Eileen Morrow, of St. Jerome, was a guest of her parents over the week-end.

BROWNSBURG

Miss Annie Petley spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mr. Edward Blair, a former resident of Ogdensburg, Que., who has spent the past few years in Western Canada, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horner.

Mrs. Wm. Lonsdale entertained on Friday last at a tea in honor of Mrs. Z. L. Campbell, of Carleton Place, Ont.

Mrs. Hector Mason and son, Reggie, spent Saturday in Montreal.

Mr. Stanley Murdoch spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mr. J. P. Martin is at present a patient in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Borden Cunningham was a a week-end guest of his parents in Arnprior.

Miss Edith Gilmour, of Montreal, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. George Prosser was home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kettyle and Miss Ethel Kettyle were in Montreal on Saturday.

Miss N. Hanson and Mrs. George Hardie entertained this week in honor of Mrs. Z. L. Campbell, of Carleton Place, Ont.

On Thursday evening Dec. 7th, the Women's Institute held their monthly meeting in the Social Club room. The roll call was answered to by "My favorite hymn". Mrs. Arthur Campbell gave a brief report on the W.I. ladies' recent visit to Government House, Ottawa. Mrs. Lemuel Wilson read a Christmas story on the theme "What is wrong with Christmas giving ?" At the close of the meeting refreshments were served.

ST. ANDREWS EAST

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawson Taylor, Isle-aux-Chats, on November 29th, the christening of their youngest child, Frances Mary, was performed by the Rev. J. A. Mowatt.

Miss Christina Hooker is visiting her aunt in Montreal West.

Messrs. Erskine and Boswell Mowatt, of Montreal, sons of the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Mowatt, have enlisted, and are training with the C.O.T.C.

Among those here for the week-end the following were noted—Dr. W. Pitcairn, Mr. Keith Pitcairn, Misses Dorothy McCallum and Freda Wales.

(Too Late for Last Issue)

Sympathy is extended to Madame Jos. Durocher, of Beech Ridge, and her sons, upon the death of her husband. Mr. Durocher had been seriously ill since last August.

Mrs. H. A. Keast, of Montreal, and her little son, Peter, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Brownlee last week.

The euchre party held in the Town Hall on St. Catherine's Day, Nov. 25/ was well attended. There were numerous desirable prizes. The total amount received was $123.95; some expense was involved. Proceeds are for the school. . . . The first prize was won by Poleon Larocque.

Miss A. L. Wales is in Montreal for several days.

Mrs. Eaton, of Detroit, Mich., is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. K. de la Ronde.

Mrs. J. Esdon visited her sons in Cornwall, Ont., for several days this week.

CAMBRIA

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Patterson's youngest son entered hospital some time ago for a mastoid operation, which has been reported successful.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. F. Kuhring, of Lakefield, visited at Mr. J. Walter Maxwell's on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. Wallace Pollock, of Montreal, motored to Dr. Willey's on Saturday for the afternoon.

Mr. Victor Ward has been executing some work on his house.

Mr. Aimé Bertrand, of the Montreal police, called on the Maxwells on Sunday; as a boy he worked with the Maxwells in order to learn English.

Act On The Impulse, Help With the Christmas Cheer

The Christmas spirit will find practical expression through efforts of the service clubs and other organizations of this town. The work of the Boy Scouts, in repairing and distributing toys, is well known as part of the annual "good turn" conducted on a national scale, while both the Lions Club and the Hundred Club are filling baskets with Christmas fare for families which would otherwise enjoy but scant provisions on this festive day. Children of poor families look forward to Christmas just as eagerly as others. This year the war overshadows still more the lives of those in distress, and the more fortunate citizenry must see to it that no families are missed.

The call of the service clubs gives assurance that 100 cents of every dollar given will be spent in direct help to those of our community in poor circumstances, and this is an opportunity that should be welcomed by all to take part. Lions Club baskets will be placed in many of the local grocery stores, and when making their purchases to supply Christmas, needs, householders are urged to remember those less fortunate and purchase an extra tin or package to drop in these charity baskets. Similar contributions may be handed to members of the Hundred Club, who are preparing their baskets individually, each for delivery to some designated family in need of help.

Govt. Maintenance of Highway Urged Upon Minister of Roads

The plea for government maintenance of the highway from St. Hermas to Brownsburg this winter — referred to in the last issue of The Watchman — was pressed this week by the Hon. G. E. Dansereau at Quebec. On Tuesday, accompanied by A. J. Quinn, of Brownsburg, Mr. Dansereau approached the Minister of Roads, the Hon. T. D. Bouchard, stressing as an argument the importance of transport facilities for the industrial activities at Brownsburg. Mr. Dansereau also advocated the maintenance of this link in the interest of commercial communication between Lachute and points east to Montreal.

Canadian cedar is being used extensively in the construction of camps throughout Great Britain for use in peacetime as schools and in wartime as refugee shelters.

Lachute Townsman Bereaved

LATE MRS. ROBT. TODD

The death of Mrs. Robt. Todd, a lady well and favorably known in this town, occurred yesterday (Wednesday) at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal.

Mrs. Todd was formerly Adeline Bridges and was born in Sheffield, England, 65 years ago.

Her first husband, George Yates, died in Saskatoon in 1924. She was married to Robert Todd, of Lachute, in 1929.

One son, Geoffrey Yates, of Nanaimo, B. C., and three grandchildren survive.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. at St. Simeon's Anglican Church, Lachute.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths, In Memoriam, etc., 50 cents each insertion . . 5c a line extra for verses accompanying In Memoriam.

MARRIAGE

YOUNG-BORDEN — The marriage of Ruth Isobel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Borden, of Brandon, Man., to Mr. Everett Lewis, son of the late Mr. Lewis H. Young and Mrs. Young, of Peoria, Ill., took place at the home of Misses McGibbon at Lachute, Que., on December 7th, at 3 o'clock.

DEATHS

GORDON — At East Settlement, on Wednesday, Dec. 13th, W. A. Gordon, in his 72nd year. Funeral from his late residence on Friday, Dec. 15th, at 2 p.m. Burial at Lachute.

TODD — At the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on Dec. 13th, Adeline Bridges, wife of Robert Todd, aged 65 years. Funeral on Friday, 1 o'clock, at St. Simeon's Anglican Church.

IN MEMORIAM

COUSENS — In loving memory of dear Violet, who departed this life Dec. 11th, 1936.—Inserted by the family.

"A silent note on memory's harp
Is gently touched to-day".

McFAUL — In loving memory of Margaret Ann Hutchin, beloved wife wife of G. I. McFaul, who departed this life Dec. 16th, 1929—Ever remembered by her husband, and daughters, Ruby and Elva.

Free from earthly toil and trouble,
She rests in peace with God above,
Leaving us to soothe our sorrow
The memory of her faithful love.

COPELAND — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Anthony Copeland, who passed away Dec. 17th, 1935.—Ever remembered by his wife and family.

He lives within our memory still
Not just today, but always will.

SOLDIERS' NAMES WANTED

Parents and relatives of soldiers from the County of Argenteuil who have enlisted in the present war, are requested to send names to Mr. Geo. Leggett, Secretary of the Canadian Legion Branch No. 70, Lachute Mills.

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BOY SCOUTS THE WORLD OVER



ANOTHER JUDGE THANKS SCOUTING

"Those of us who are concerned with the Juvenile Court do than God for the work that the Boy Scouts Association has done, and is doing."—Juvenile Court Judge W. F. Lane, addressing the annual meeting of the Moncton, N. B. Scouts Association.

SCOUTS MAKE EDMONTON TRAFFIC CHECK-UP

For the check-up on shifting trends of street traffic annually made by Edmonton's City Engineer, nearly 300 Boy Scouts were used in four-hour shifts on two days between 7.30 a.m. and 11.30 p.m. The boys were provided with tally cards and placed at 21 street intersections.

PEOPLE ACT DIFFERENTLY AT DIFFERENT STREET CORNERS

Apparently people act differently at different street corners. Edmonton Boy Scouts on traffic check-up duty for the City Engineer were interviewed by an Edmonton Journal reporter regarding the actions of pedestrians and car drivers. At 104th Avenue and Jasper the Scouts reported "Not a single fault to find with pedestrians or drivers during a three hours' count." At Jasper and 102nd Street, however, the Scouts' report was : "We saw four women jaywalkers almost get run over. We saw two cars hit the curb in making a right hand turn, and we saw several cars make a left turn by first driving over to the right curb, instead of making it from the car tracks."

SCOUTS HELP IN TOWN PLANNING SURVEY

In a town planning survey of Fort William and Port Arthur Boy Scouts were used by the town planning expert, H. L. Seymour, to make an afternoon count of vehicular traffic of the two cities. A special count of pedestrians was made by the Scouts in the business areas between 4.45 and 5.45 p.m.

LISTEN IN AT THE JUVENILE COURT

During Vancouver's combined drive on behalf of the Community Chest and the Red Cross, to the question, "Why should the Boy Scouts organization be supported by the Community Chest ?" the answer was given : "Just listen in at the Juvenile Court any day in the week and see what happens to youngsters who have to spend all their leisure time on the streets."

Revenues resulting from the registration of motor vehicles and from gasoline tax in Canada during 1938 amounted to $67,477,884 compared with $64,367,852 in 1937. The amount realized from vehicle registrations was $26,230.196 in 1938 compared with $25,993,905, and from gasoline taxes, $41,247,688 as against $38,373,947. All provinces contributed to the gain over 1937.

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THE QUINTS IN BRONZE

Busts of the Dionne Quintuplets and their Doctor, executed by Suzanne Silvercruys, sculptor, lecturer and author. Mme Silvercruys, who is shown with her creation, was commissioned to perpetuate the famous little people in bronze by the Trustees, who wished an absolutely accurate record of the facial characteristics and cranium measurements of the children at the age of five, so that their development could be checked later on. The group, including a portrait of Dr. Dafoe, was sent to Belgium to be cast, and has just returned. It is on exhibition at the new O'Toole galleries in New York, but later will be forwarded to Callander for permanent exhibition.

Social and Personal

Miss Gertrude McMahon visited friends in Montreal last week-end.

Mrs. Stuart Campbell and daughter, Betty, were in Montreal over the week-end.

Mr. Sidney Drew, of McGill University, spent last week-end visiting friends in town.

Miss Janet Carrick, of Montreal, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Archie B. Gordon, Dunany.

Mr. Gifford J. Mitchell, of Montreal, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Logan on Sunday evening last.

Mr. Wilson Hume, of Vancouver, B. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hume, Hillhead, for the holiday season.

Miss Katie Reid spent last week-end visiting friends in Montreal.

Miss Willow Lavery, of Montreal, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. K. McArthur.

Mr. James C. Logan, of McGill Univrsity, was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Logan.

The Misses Alberta Dorion and Eileen Morrison spent last week-end visiting friends in Montreal.

Miss Jessie Goodfellow was in Montreal last week-end visiting her sister, Mrs. Alex Smith, who is a patient in a Montreal hospital.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Simeon's Anglican Church held a successful Christmas bazaar on Friday afternoon, the proceeds amounting to approximately $240.

Messrs. Albert Hopewell, of Rosemount and James Jordon, of Park Extension, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carpenter.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. MacMillan, Miss Joan MacMillan, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Ballantyne, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hyde were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bradley on Thursday evening.

Maine Was Painted Red By Prehistoric Indians

The original spreaders of red paint in Maine were a tribe of Indians who flourished centuries before Columbus was born and whose habitat was along the Penobscot river, according to a Bangor (Maine) correspondent in the New York Times.

There once lived in Maine a mysterious people, mysterious to us, for our knowledge of them is meager, this writer says.

Seemingly they were gone even before the coming of those Indian tribes who were occupying Maine when the first Europeans visited our shores.

The little known of them has been gleaned mostly by a study of their ancient cemeteries and the enduring objects buried in them.

This scanty and somewhat indefinite knowledge may be stated as follows:

That the human beings who have been termed the "Red Paint People" were here many centuries ago.

That finely powdered hematite (red ocher) was placed in all their cemeteries and this red ocher gave them their name.

That they produced fire by cuffing hard stones together and that they believed in a life after death.

That they were far from primitive as workers of stone and that their many fine edged tools imply a considerable experience in wood working.

Red Paint cemeteries in Maine include the ones at Howland, Eddington, Hampden, Milford, Swanville, Bucksport, Orland, Warren, Union, Ellsworth, Bluehill, Bristol, and Sullivan falls on Frenchman's bay.

All Red Paint cemeteries discovered are near water navigable for small boats. A few are so close to streams that crumbling banks have revealed them.

Marriage

An Alberta exchange reports a recent ceremony of interest to older residents in this community as follows.

McRae-Buckley

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized on November 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Buckley, Lousana, when their youngest daughter, Mona, became the bride of Mr. George McRae, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. McRae of Huxley.

Rev. J. R. Brown of Trochu officiated at the ceremony.

The bride chose for the occasion a bustle effect afternoon frock of grape sheer, with matching accessories, and a corsage of yellow roses and orange blossoms. She was attended by Mrs. J. Buckley of Elnora.

The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Mr. Marshall McRae.

After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. McRae will reside near Huxley.

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Address fully and distinctly.
Prepay postage fully.
Pack carefully.
Place your return address in the upper left-hand corner.
Post your letters in bundles, with addresses facing one way.
Avoid congestion at train time.

Cigarettes released for consumption in Canada during the first nine months of the current year amounted to 5,275,000,000.

Race fans bet almost twenty-two million dollars at Canadian horse racing tracks in 1939.

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THURS, FRI., SAT.
DEC. 14-15-16
Ginger ROGERS, David NIVEN in
BACHELOR MOTHER
with Charles Coburn, Frank Albertson
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And NEWS of the DAY
SUN., MON., TUES., WED.
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Plane crash in the jungle ! The last mighty chapter of life for seven !
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with June Lang, Robert Kent, Etienne Girardot
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THURS., FRI., SAT., DEC. 21-22-23
Constance Bennett, Mischa Auer, Charles Ruggles in
SERVICE DE LUXE
Thrilling as Derby Day ! Romantic as old Kentucky !
George Raft, Ellen Drew in
The Lady From Kentucky
with Hugh Herbert, Zasu Pitts
NEWS of the DAY
SATURDAY NIGHT, DEC. 23
Annual Christmas present will be drawn. 1st prize, 66-piece set of fine glassware.

Among the Churches

BISHOP CARLISLE VISITS GRENVILLE PARISH

Bishop Carlisle paid his first episcopal visit to the Parish of Grenville on Sunday, December 3rd. In the afternoon, at Trinity Church, Calumet, he confirmed four persons, and at St. Matthew's, Grenville, in the evening, he confirmed five other candidates. At Trinity an address of welcome was presented by the wardens, Messrs. W. A. Brigden and T. G. Foreman. The address was read by Mr. C. G. Foreman, in the absence of his father. At the same service a handsome brass altar cross was dedicated by the Bishop in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brigden, the gift of their children and grandchildren. At St. Matthew's a welcoming address was read by Mr. H. Rayson on behalf of himself and his fellow warden, Mr. H. Crookes. The confirmation service was preceded by the sacrament of holy baptism, when the Bishop baptized Arthur Whinfield, son of the Rev. and Mrs. K. N. Brueton. The godparents were the Rev. and Mrs. W. C. LeCras and the child's father. Later in the service the Bishop dedicated a handsome banner, made for the Sunday School by Mrs. Brueton. At both services the Bishop addressed the candidates and also spoke briefly to the congregation. The Rev. Canon Garrett, of Hawkesbury, assisted in the service at Calumet, and the Rev. W. C. LeCras at Grenville.

Sunday Services

MARGARET RODGER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m.—The School of the Church
11 a.m.—Communion Service.
'The Man Who Shared His Bitter Cup."
7 p.m.—"Every Man's Way to Christ".
N. B.—Preparatory Service, Friday, December 15, 8 p.m.

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Mr. Walter C. Tompkins, Pastor.

10 a.m., Bible School.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Services.
Christmas Tree, Thursday, Dec. 21st, at 8 p.m.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST
Rev. J. R. Simpson, B.A., B.Th.

10 a.m., Sunday School.
7 p.m.—"The Unfriendly World"

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m.—Baptismal Service. Subject :
"Training the Child"
7 p.m.—Candle-Lighting Service. This service will be conducted by the C.G.I.T. Groups of the Church.
2.30 p.m.—East Settlement.
A Christmas Tree celebration and concert will be held on Friday, Dec. 22nd, at 7.30 p.m.
A cordial welcome to all !

REGULAR BAPTIST SERVICES
Rev. C. Hardie

11 a.m.—Brownsburg.
2.30 p.m.—Dalesville.

BROWNSBURG UNITED CHURCH
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. PRE-CHRISTMAS SERVICES.
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 8 p.m. Christmas Tree Entertainment. Excellent program.

LAFEFIELD CHURCH SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector.

11 a.m.—Dunany
2 p.m.—Shrewsbury
7 p.m.—Lakefield.

CHURCH GROUPS AT ST. ANDREWS EAST

St. Andrews E. — The Women's Guild of the United Church met at the manse on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 7. The president, Mrs. T. McAdam was in the chair. The sum of $100 was voted toward the reduction of the debt on the manse, and $50 for the cleaning of the church last summer. The news of a bequest amounting to $432.10, by the will of the late Mr. McKeracher McMartin, to the church, was read. A nominating committee was appointed. Articles left over from the recent sale were auctioned. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 4th. Tea was served by Mrs. K. de la Ronde and Mrs. J. DeWitt, hostesses for the day. Miss Mary Pitcairn was welcomed after an absence caused by illness.

A Junior W.A. of the Anglican Church was recently formed under the supervision of Mrs. H. McEwan. Lillian Fraser was elected president. Their first project was an afternoon tea and sale of small articles on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. McEwan. The rooms were seasonably festooned with red and green, with a small decorated ever-green tree and tinsel stars. The young hostesses acquitted themselves well as saleswomen and at serving the tea-tables. They are to be congratulated on the success of this undertaking.

PRESBYTERIAN Y.P.S.

The regular weekly meeting of the Presbyterian Young People's Society was held last evening with about 20 members attending, Rev. E. Orsborn presiding. Following the opening devotional, a short business session was held, the main item of business being a report on the financial aspect of the banquet. As these banquets are not primarily money-makers, the Society tries to hold the cost down to the amount of money received, thus at least breaking even on the affair, but this year the report showed a slight deficit, which amount will be raised by devious ways and means during the balance of the season, without causing a drain on the Club funds.

Carrying out a suggestion made some ago it was reported that the Society had forwarded slight tokens of appreciation and good wishes to Ernest Copeland and Wilson Gall, both boys being former members and now in the Canadian forces, and although it was impossible to make formal presentations, the thoughts and good-will of the Society are just as sincerely embodied in the objects expressing this "bon voyage".

Following the business meeting, the assembly was addressed by Rev. E. Orsborn. Members enjoyed a few ends of carpet bowling before departing their various ways. The meeting next week will be the last before the Christmas holidays, and as the Sunday School Christmas Tree is being held on the same night, any members desiring to interview Santa Claus, who we expect to be present, should come early and avoid the crowd.

LAKEFIELD W. A.

The Women's Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Church, Lakefield, met on Thursday at the home of Mrs. G. L. Rogers, with a good attendance. Election of officers took place, all officers being re-elected : Mrs. T. McCambly, president; Mrs. Geo. Peet, vice- president; Mrs. G. L. Rogers, sec.-treasurer; delegates to annual convention, Mrs. L. Dawson and Mrs. Williamson.

The Rev. C. W. P. Baugh opened and closed the meeting. Refreshments were served at the close.

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Mainly About Montreal

BY LESLIE C. POWELL
Special Montreal Correspondent to The Watchman

TUMBLING INTO FAME

One of the stellar attractions with Irene Bordoni, famous Parisian star, at the Chez Maurice Cabaret is the famous tumbling and acrobatic act, the Del Rios. This act, which has appeared in cabarets and theatres all over North America, is well known in Lachute, its members, notwithstanding the foreign name, being good French-Canadians from that Laurentian town. The Del Rios are one of the better attractions at the up-town night spot, and last Sunday afternoon appeared at a special performance for one of Montreal's regiments.

MOVIE OF THE WEEK

By a queer quirk of fate, H.M.S. Royal Oak, which was sunk not long ago by Nazi torpedoes, appears in the film "Our Fighting Navy" as a rebel battleship of a mythical South American Republic and is, prophetically enough sunk in battle. This Herbert Wilcox picture, which was filmed in co-operation with the British Admiralty, presents a realistic picture of actual battle conditions. The "victor" in the cinema sea battle is the British cruiser Audacious. No sound effects were necessary for the battle noises, the ships themselves providing quite enough atmosphere with their big guns.

"Our Fighting Navy", which has since closed its Montreal run, is well worth seeing when it comes your way.

MR. DOROTHY DIX

Your local correspondent has received a letter, among others, from a young lady of Argenteuil who will, naturally enough, remain nameless. The lady writes to tell me how much she loathes the country and how much she wants to come to the city to work and to meet, as she puts it, refined city boys. Now, your reporter, far from putting himself up as an advisor to the lovelorn or solver of personal problems, has plenty of troubles with his own affairs of the heart, head and pocketbook, but feels that some answer to the young lady is required, and inasmuch as no address was included in the letter, this column will have to serve.

The writer can sympathize with the feeling of young people who want to get out of small towns He has lived in them and been lonely in them. But there are much worse things than loneliness and longing for the bright lights. Loneliness can be experienced in the city as well as the country, and it is a much worse feeling. The little matter of finding work is another problem to be solved and it is not an easy one. Your reporter has no idea of the prevalent wage scale in small towns but is sure that, in proportion to the cost of living, it is higher than in the city. Your newsboy has spoken to girls working in stores, in factories and in homes, and with very few exceptions they feel anything but happy about their lot. My only advice to anyone, man or woman, feeling as does my correspondent, is to stay where you are unless you have a sure job waiting, a bit of reserve cash and plenty of friends in the city — be it Montreal or anywhere else. How often do you read of "suicide while despondent", of a small-town resident ? Isn't it always the big-city resident that goes to pieces ? Happiness is where you find it and it is a lot easier to find in the smaller community. And believe me when I say, the city boys ain't so "refined". So there, too !

BOOK OF THE WEEK

If you do not like to laugh, don't bother to read this (if anybody is), for it is a "plug", to use the radio term, for P. G. Wodehouse's new book, "Uncle Fred in the Springtime". The heartiest recommendation I can give this book is to say, read it if you like to laugh, skip it if you don't. To the writer, P. G. is the funniest author alive, and any book by him is a "must read" for me. I don't think I have missed a Wodehouse book in years and don't intend to in the future. In these days of war, with newspaper headlines screaming tales of horror in Finland, Poland and other parts of Europe, the average man needs mental relaxation, and this Wodehouse gives him. If you like to laugh — but I said that.

WINCHELLISMS

Another letter-writer to the column tells me he doesn't find enough gossip and scandal items each week to make it worth his time in reading the "colyum". Well, my fran, your reporter is not, and hopes never to be a keyhole peeper and dirty linen airer; but he aims to please, so out he went and scouted around for some current, or is it under-current, gossip. So here goes with a vapid imitation of the Broadway scandal-mongers, and I hope those mentioned never see the column.

Flash ! . . . What Montreal newspaperman fell hard for a visiting redhead a short while ago ? . . . Why does a certain local orchestra leader make a long distance call three times a week ? . . . A certain Westmount blonde will never go home alone at night. Why ? . . . What local police reporter has a strong antipathy to the Criminal Code, 1867 edition ? . . . Scoop ! . . . What free-lance writer pays his office rent with cups of coffee ?

(Methinks Winchell will lose no sleep over his latest rival.)

SHORT TAKES

George Powell, of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals, and a former student at Lachute High School, has just been promoted to Lance-Corporal and — L. H. S. Annual editors, please note — his favorite saying now is, "Me and the General" . . . The "Ice Follies"at the Forum was a grand exhibition of fancy skating. . . . To paraphrase a U. S. Civil War joke, a German Nazi said to his inquisitive young son, "Well, mein son, owing to the poor condition of the ground where the fighting is being done, the Englanders are retreating forwards while we are advancing backwards." . . . Since Finland's gallant resistance of the Red hordes, the punsters are asking, "Is Stalin stallin' for time. ?" . . . You have all heard Don Wilson, of the Jack Benny air show, brag about the six delicious flavors, orange, raspberry, cherry, strawberry, lemon and lime, but did you ever notice that Benny adds another when he closes with : "This is the last number of the 14th program of the current Jello series ?" . . . Or as Grover Whalen said at the N. Y. Fair, when he put the Perisphere beside the Trylon, "That's beside the point !" . . . G'bye now.

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Famous Operas...

"LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR"

By Gaetano Donizetti
Words by Cammarano
First produced in Naples, 1835
Story from Sir Walter Scott's "The Bride of Lammermoor"

The story and music of "Lucia di Lammermoor" is on a sombre theme. Sir Henry Ashton, of Lammermoor, has dissipated the family fortune away, as well as placing himself in difficulties with the government through political intrigue. To regain some of his lost prestige and to safeguard himself against financial destitution, he plans the marriage of Lucia, his sister, to the wealthy, influential Lord Arthur Bucklaw.

Sir Edgar Ravenswood, of the Embassy to Paris, is deeply in love with Lucia, and before his departure to France they make their pledge to each other.

Sir Henry intercepts the letters from Ravenswood, and forges a paper which Lucia accepts as proof of the infidelity of Sir Edgar.

Lucia agrees to the wedding with Lord Arthur, and as the marriage contract is signed amid great ceremony, Sir Edgar arrives, and learning the truth, he leaves in a rage, cursing the House of Lammermoor. Sir Henry follows him, and after a heated quarrel, a duel is arranged for the dawn.

Nightfall comes, and the bride and groom have retired to their apartment. Soon after, a commotion is heard in their room, and servants force open the door, and find Lord Arthur dying from wounds inflicted by Lucia in a moment of mental depression. As her mind clears, she realizes what she has done, and the horror of her crime overcomes her, and she collapses in death.

The dawn arrives, and Sir Edgar Ravenswood waits impatiently in the churchyard to engage Sir Henry Ashton in the duel. Some of the attendants bring the tragic news of Lucia's death, and the grief stricken lover goes to the tomb of his ancestors and kills himself.

One of the finest tenor arias in grand opera, is the "Tomb Song" of Sir Edgar, in the last act, while the "Sextet" from Lucia di Lammermoor is known to all music lovers, and is recognized as a masterpiece in operatic compositions.

District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

CALUMET

Messrs. T. G. Foreman, R. Hoare, and P. Robinson were guests of Mrs. Mr. R. Robinson at Clear View Camp, Slavery Lake, last week-end.

Miss Janet Brigden is spending a few weeks in Hull, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson.

Messrs. Angus and Russel Etienne, of the R. C. A., Montreal, are visiting friends in Calumet for a few days while on leave.

Mrs. M. R. Robinson and Miss Anne Foreman, were in Montreal last Saturday.

On Dec. 3rd in Calumet Trinity Church Bishop Carlisle officiated at the confirmation service. The following were confirmed—Miss Joan Welden, Miss Doris Arnold, Miss Joyce Prophet and Mr. Stephen Brigden. The Bishop addressed the candidates on their duties as new communicants.

Mr. George Martin, of Montreal was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Martin, for the week-end

WEIR

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sobey, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams, motored to Montreal on Wednesday.

Mr. J. B. Owen, of the Theological College, Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Owen, and while here he conducted the services in the different churches on Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Kerr spent the week-end in Montreal visiting friends.

Miss Thelma Beaven, of Montreal, is spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Beaven, while she is recuperating from a recent operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Dudley Pace, of Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Williams.

Mr. E. M. Schippel spent a few days in Pittsburg, Pa., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Cowan and daughter, Mildred, of Montreal, were the week-end guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Larose.

Gnr. Ray A. Craig, of the 7th Medium Bty., R.C.A, Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Craig.

Mr. Robt. Bates spent a few days in Montreal last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Staniforth and family, of Rouge Valley, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brymer spent a few days in Montreal last week, where Mrs. Brymer was attending the wedding of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rumbolt were in Montreal last week to attend the Canadiens-Toronto hockey game at the Forum.

MORIN HEIGHTS

The W. A. of Trinity Church met at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Temple on Thursday afternoon last. Mrs. Kennedy was re-elected president, Mrs. J. Kennedy re-elected vice-president, and Mrs. H. E. Gilbey, secretary.

Miss Hazel Watson spent the week-end in Toronto.

Miss Audrey Watson, of Lachute, was home for the week-end.

Mrs. Leslie Hollingworth, of Dixie, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Seale, recently.

CUSHING

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bradley and son, Ian, of Carillon, and Mrs. Robert Murray were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Dobbie, Miss Margaret McKiddie, of Vide Sac, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dobbie for the week-end.

The Misses Myrtle and Violet Bryerton, of Verdun, and their brother Arthur, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bryerton of Carillon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Heatlie on Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Canning, of Stonefield, and Mr. John Owens, motored to Ottawa on Sunday and visited Mr. Innes Canning at the Cameron Highlanders' training camp; they also visited Mr. and Mrs. E. McMeekin.

Mr. Phillip Fraser, eldest son of the Rev. James Fraser, of Northern Ontario. has been spending a few weeks in Greece's Point and visiting old friends and neighbors in Cushing.

The Ladies' Aid met at the manse on Thursday of last week and held their annual election of officers. Officers for the coming year are— President, Mrs. W. Usher; vice-presidents, Mrs. John Canning, Mrs. Frank Fuller; secretary, Mrs. L. C. Cooke; treasurer, Mrs. A. Starnes.

Mrs. Jas. McAllister of Hawkesbury was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Weir.

Mrs. Laurence Gauley, of Grenville, was an overnight guest of Mrs. W. H. Canning on Tuesday of last week.

CUSHING WEST

Mr. Eddie Whelehan, of Montreal, was a Sunday visitor here.

Miss Pearl Dawson, of Stonefield Heights, was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. C. F. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pinkerton, of Montreal, are spending a two weeks' vacation at their residence here.

Mrs. Franklyn Keatley is absent in Arundel in attendance on her brother, who is seriously ill with rheumatic fever.

Canvassers have been busy in this locality during the past week collecting for the Knights of Columbus war fund. They have met with a satisfactory response.

Mr. Phillip Fraser, who has been visiting friends in this locality, left for his home at Trout Creek, Ont., on Tuesday.

Mr. D. G. Greig, of Greece's Point, a veteran of the last great war, has once more offered his services to his country and joined up with the Bren Gun Battery. His two young sons enlisted some time ago.

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mrs. L. Kennedy and daughters spent Friday in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Davis have returned to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davis, also Mrs. J. D. Davis, spent Friday in Montreal.

Pte. A. Temple spent the week-end at his home here.

The Misses O. and V. Boyd spent the week-end visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Boyd, in Arundel.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Seale and daughter, Doreen, spent Sunday visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch.

The amount collected in this vicinity for the Red Cross Society was over $108.

On Tuesday evening last the W.I. ladies held their Christmas party in the United Church basement. Each member having invited a friend, a large gathering assembled. An enjoyable evening was spent playing games, entering contests, and singing songs. Distributing gifts from the Christmas tree completed the program. After the serving of refreshments, the evening concluded with the singing of the national anthem.

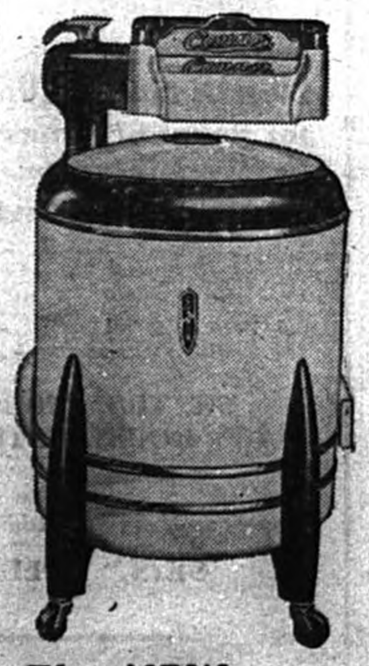
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By JESSIE ALLEN BROWN

EVEN WAR ENDS

Come Peace or War, the seasons of the earth go on in their infinity. The religious festivals of the year are celebrated all over the world. They may not be called the same name, the religion of the people may be different, but the worshippers encircle the globe. We may have heavy hearts, but nothing is lasting — not even War. We feel our troubles are endless, yet life goes on and the seasons of the earth continue in their rotation, as if those, who live on it were of little importance.

GIVE GAMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Games are going to be very popular Christmas presents this year as it is the fad of the moment to play all sorts of games. Try and find out which ones are in favour at the present moment with your young folks as they play one enthusiastically for some time and then go on to the next. If you have one of those homes where the young people never gather, it may be because there is nothing for them to do. It is worth spending money and effort to keep your children at home. Happy are the families who play games together. The whole family can play at Darts and most of them can try Table Tennis — it used to be Ping Pong. A present for the whole family would be that extra space in the cellar made over into a play-room. I have seen it done very inexpensively when the whole family turned into help. Plenty of games and a place to play them are something to aim at. Yes, I know that the sentence ended with a preposition but an occasional breaking of any rule does us good.

SUGAR AND SPICE !

Christmas cookery is one of the nicest parts of the season. Those lovely, spicy, appetising smells ! Of course, it is work, but what good thing do you get without work ? At that, it is not nearly as much work as it used to be. Do you remember when we had to stone every raisin and wash every currant ? Even the peel comes cut, ready to use. Home-cooked food is a lovely Christmas present and we can get such lovely wrappings that it can be decorative, too. Through force of circumstances I cannot do any Christmas baking and I am missing it. A friend just called me to say that she was making her dark cake and has her mincemeat, her puddings and a light fruit cake made. I quite envy her. After all these are made, then comes the shortbread and cookies. It is fun making these and adding the bits of decoration. Christmas means friends and friends mean food. It is easy to be hospitable if you have plenty to eat. No one wants much as we have all had so much heavy food, so if you have lots of cookies and something to serve with them, you can welcome your guests with a light heart. This year we can add apple juice to our stores of ready-to-serve things. A glass of apple juice, and cookies or Christmas cake is but the work of a moment. Make preparations long enough ahead so that you are not too tired to enjoy the festive season.

LET THE CHILDREN HELP

After all Christmas is for the children, so why not let them help all they can. Things are more fun if they do it themselves. If possible let them gather evergreens and pine cones for decoration. Nothing on the tree will look as good to them as the popcorn and cranberries they have strung themselves. That is a good occupation for a snowy day and if you let them ask a friend or two to help and treat them to cookies and apple juice it will be an occasion to be remembered. Here are some simple candy recipes which even a small child can make or at least can help.

FRUIT CANDY

1 lb. dates, ½ lb. figs, 10 prunes, 1 cup cocoanut.

Pit the dates and the prunes and put all through the foodchopper. Mix thoroughly and roll into balls. Roll the balls in powdered sugar to prevent stickiness. The mixture may be packed into a pan and sliced into bars. This is one candy your own and the neighbor's children can eat to their heart's content. Never make the fatal error of telling them it is good for them.

UNCOOKED FONDANT

1 egg white, 1½ teaspoons cold water, about 2 cups sifted icing sugar, cocoanut.

Add the water to the unbeaten egg white and beat until well blended. Stir in the sugar. Divide the mixture and color and flavor each part as desired. Stuff dates with a part of it and roll the rest into balls and roll them in cocoanut.

ALMOND CRESCENTS

1 cup butter, ⅓ cup sugar, ⅔ cup finely chopped blanched almonds, 1 cup icing sugar, ¼ teaspoon salt, 1⅔ cup flour, 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

Cream butter and sugar and almonds and salt. Work in the flour. Chill the mixture thoroughly. Pinch off pieces of dough and roll with the hands on a lightly floured board. pieces about the size and thickness of a pencil. Cut into two-and-a-half inch lengths. Pull ends around to form erescents. Bake on an ungreased baking sheet in a moderately slow oven of 325 degrees. Le them cool on the pan a minute to crisp. Remove while still warm and roll in a mixture of sifted icing sugar and cinnamon.

The DOCTOR Tells the Story

by W. E. Aughinbaugh, M.D.

PORK

The Chinese, always epicures, had pure food laws before the birth of Christ. The Jewish dietary laws were nothing more or less than pure food laws, based upon a religious background, for the simple but all-sufficient reason that the Hebrews were therefore certain to observe them.

In the days of Rome's glory and before the fall of Greece, food laws were to be found in both of these lands, where people were truly gourmands, and woe betide the one failing to observe them.

Where these laws existed there were men to enforce them — inspectors — who arrested the culprits and hailed them to courts which always imposed heavy fines, and often executed repeated breakers of these laws in the public squares.

More than 500 years ago the quaint city of Nuremberg, in Germany, passed pure food laws that specially applied to honey, which was a sort of monopoly with that town and the surrounding country to a special cheese locally manufactured, and milk.

In other words, Nuremberg established a standard for certain dainties. Due to the fact that there were numerous different types of sausages produced in and about the region, a particularly strict law was enacted to insure the purity of these comestibles, then much in demand among travelers because they required no cooking, and could be munched as one rode or walked on his journey, for wayside inns were then few and far between.

For centuries the pig has been highly esteemed by both epicures and simple folk as well, and today is perhaps the world's favorite meat. Charles Lamb once wrote a book about "Roast Pig" and in it he said : "The pig hath a fair sepulchre in the grateful stomach of the judicious epicure, and for such a tomb should be content to die."

The reason that Nuremberg enacted such stringent sanitary laws for pork products was the fact that the pig is subject to a disease known as "trichiniasis" or to use the modern spelling, "trichina," although at that time no one knew definitely much about it, from a scientific standpoint, because modern chemistry and modern medicine had not yet come into existence.

This disease exists today, and often entire communities suffer from it, especially German cities, where pork in some form is certain to be extensively consumed.

This malady is caused by eating pork flesh that has become infected with the encysted larvae or eggs, of the nematode worm, and was first discovered in 1822.

Thorough cooking destroys them. Raw hams and sausages are the greatest culprits. In Saxony and in Prussia there have been large outbreaks where more than 30 per cent of the victims died. Here the death rate is less than 5 per cent, and few contract the disease.

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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

HOUSE AND HOME

By Mary E. Dague
Author of Sister Mary's Kitchen

If it's your turn to have the big family dinner on Christmas day this year, begin to plan for it now. Make your mince meat, bake your fruit cake, and steam your plum pudding. Then you can bake your mince pies the day before, or even on Saturday, and re-heat them in the oven while the dinner is being eaten, or you can re-heat your plum pudding by steaming it for an hour before you are ready to serve it.

If your budget won't allow a rich plum pudding, why not make a plain one without eggs ? Fruit and nuts added to a suet pudding and steamed in a fancy mold produce a most acceptable plum pudding.

The same thing holds true with fruit cake, too.

Eggless Plum Pudding

One cup chopped suet, 1 cup molasses, ½ cup sour milk, ½ cup juice from canned cherries, 3½ cups flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, ½ teaspoon nutmeg, ½teaspoon cloves, 1 cup chopped dates, 2 slices candied pineapple, ½ cup chopped candied cherries, 1 cup blanched and shredded almonds, ½ cup shredded citron.

Put suet through fine knife of food chopper. Work with a wooden spoon until creamy. Add molasses, fruit juice and milk and mix thoroughly. Reserve one-half cup flour to sprinkle over fruit and nuts. Mix and sift remaining flour with salt, soda and spices. Add with fruit mixture to suet mixture and mix well. Turn into well buttered molds and steam two and one-half hours. Serve hot with hard sauce or one of the many delicious wine sauces.

The sauce used with the pudding always adds much to the dish and the plainer you make the pudding the richer you can make the sauce.

Here's the recipe for the eggless fruit cake. You can add candied lemon and orange peels, citron and as many crystalized fruits as you want.

Eggless Fruit Cake

One cup granulated sugar, ¾ cup shortening, 1½ cups apple sauce, 2 cups seedless raisins, 3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons soda, 1 cup nut meats, 1 tablespoon brandy, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, ½ teaspoon nutmeg, 1 tablespoon vanilla.

Use apple sauce sweetened as for the table. Work shortening and sugar until creamy. Beat in apple sauce. Mix raisins and nuts and any other fruit used with one cup of flour. Stir into first mixture. Mix and sift remaining flour, soda, salt and spices, and stir into mixture. Add vanilla and brandy, and beat well. Turn into an oiled and floured pan and bake one and one-half hours in a slow oven (300 degrees F.).

Contact poison is a poison which is used against insects that suck their foods. In other words, the poison comes in contact with the body surface and kills the creature which cannot be poisoned by a stomach poison which is the opposite of contact poison. Nicotine, pyrethrum, rotenone, sulphur, and oils are the usual contact poisons Corrosive sublimate is a chemical compound commonly used as a disinfectant for plant diseases, especially soil-borne diseases. In other words, it disinfects the soil or the roots of plants such as iris.



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RED CROSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR KNITTING OF SOCKS

An emphatic denial of stories in circulation that "the Red Cross Society is selling socks to soldiers at $1.25 a pair", was issued this week by Lieut.-Col. K. M. Perry, D.S.O., president of the Quebec branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, when Red Cross Headquarters was informed that "some women have refused to knit any more socks for the Red Cross because of these reports.

"The Red Cross does not sell 'anything', nor does it receive payment, in any manner, for supplies which it distributes," the president said.

At the same time Col. Perry drew the attention of citizens to the recent announcement of David C. Dick, wool administrator, that the Dominion is 8,000,000 pounds short of wool to fill her requirements.

"This will explain the difficulty met by the Red Cross in supplying wool for women to knit socks", and he again referred to the wool administrator's suggestion that the shortage can be overcome quicker if individuals will use, first, the wool that can best be procured and not necessarily the kind of wool wanted.

"We have been informed that some women have preferred to buy their own wool and knit socks rather than wait for supplies to be obtained through their Red Cross branches. Such a spirit of co-operation can only be highly commended, but we hope the women throughout the province will realize that we are doing everything we possibly can to meet their needs with as little inconvenience as possible.

MODERN WOMEN

By Dr. M. L. Maffett

It is much more fun to snap wild fowl than to shoot them, according to **Miss Lorena Squire** of Harper, Kansas, who says she found out the attractions of these creatures when prowling about the woods. Now she is one of the most celebrated photographers and her pictures are taken by museums and sought elsewhere.

Miss Squire started taking pictures of wild fowl when in her 'teens, and has traveled thousands of miles searching for specimens. The meadowlark, official bird of Kansas, was one of her first important subjects. She has photographed geese, ducks, shore birds and waders in their natural habitats, and one of her rarest pictures is a close-up of a snow goose.

During the World War, more than 11,000 women were engaged as Yeomen (F), the letter meaning they were female, in the United States Naval Reserve. They were needed mostly for clerical work. At that time the law did not specify that yeomen must be males. The law was changed later, excluding females.

The Navy also had 1,713 nurses and 269 marinettes. In the Army they equalled a full combat division. Of the 21,896 enrolled, 21,480 were nurses, and the rest field clerks. One detachment served as telephone operators for the signal corps. Half the U. S. army nurses served overseas. Three were wounded, three received the Distinguished Service Cross, and twenty-four the Distinguished Service Medal.

Miss Mary W. Stewart, eighty-one-year-old postmaster of Oxford, Md., opens her office regularly at 7.30 a.m., and closes it after 10.00 p.m. She has been on the job sixty-two years, and remembers only about two vacations in that time.

Katherine Brown is story editor, looks out for plays, arranges screen tests, and signs up actors, and on accasion, helps with premieres for one of the largest Hollywood producers of motion pictures.

Mrs. Hagborg, of Sutton, England, paints keyholes in luminous paint for war-time England. The idea grew out of blackouts.



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GETTING A JOB

During the panic of 1891, a young man in Chicago had to have a job when no job was to be had. This is how he got one!

Theodore Dreiser, from Warsaw, Indiana, author of "An American Tragedy," wanted to become a newspaper reporter. He applied to every paper in Chicago. Everywhere he was given the same answer. They were letting men off, not taking them on. But Theodore meant to be taken on! When he arrived at the last paper — the Chicago Globe, he said:

"Well, I'm going to stay here until you need a man." The managing editor shrugged his shoulders. Ridiculous! But Dreiser sat down. The next morning he was there exactly on time. He went to lunch when the others did; he came back when they did; — and stayed as late.

Meanwhile, he studied the paper. Plenty of time for that! He talked to the other reporters, and learned how they went after news, how they "handled" it when they returned. Then he studied how it was presented by the rival paper. Day after day went by. A month passed. And then it happened! The Globe needed a man. Of course they took the one sitting there. They were convinced of his earnestness and knew he had been conscientiously studying their paper. He was sent to cover the Democratic National Convention.

He knew nothing of politics, nor how to get political news. It wasn't the kind of assignment he wanted, but he determined to make good. He found that the reporters hung around a certain bar, met politicians, and got "hot tips." Dreiser didn't know enough about politics to distinguish a hot tip from a dog's cold nose.

By chance he fell into conversation with a man who turned out to be Senator McEnty from South Carolina, a powerful politician. McEnty liked young Dreiser and invited him to lunch. They got better acquainted. Then an incredible thing happened. The senator said, "I like you and I'm going to give you some news all those fellows would give their ears to get. Everybody wants to know who is going to be nominated for President. Well, I happen to know. That person is Grover Cleveland."

Dreiser rushed back. The managing editor was flabbergasted. Had this rawboned, cornfed cub from Indiana been the first reporter to get this sensational news? Impossible! But the story was printed. The young man who couldn't get a job, not only had a job, but a scoop. Dreiser's career dated from that day.

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Honduras Mahogany

English wood cutters in the Seventeenth century came from Jamaica to the mainland of Central America to get out "logwood," a valuable dye wood. They discovered that this region produced mahogany. Until the treaty of 1783 between England and Spain, the English were not supposed to cut mahogany in Honduras. However, the temptation was great and much of it was cut and the cutters were often in serious trouble with the Spaniards. The colony was twice wiped out and the survivors sold into slavery. According to Thomas Sheraton's book, "The Cabinet Directory," published in 1803, the Honduras mahogany was the principal kind then being used in England.

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Tourist (at roadside spring)—Is this cup sanitary?

Native—Must be; everybody uses it.

Want Ads

Want or For Sale advertisements 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cents. If replies are directed to Watchman Office, 25 cents extra.

ELECTROLUX — Give your home the latest in comfort and labor saving devices — an Electrolux. Agent, J. W. Lefebvre, Main St. —x

SUGGESTION — To help you in your Christmas shoping; enquire about leather belts, suspenders, mats and other useful leather articles.—Wesley Robinson, Lachute, Tel 922 r 3. —D21-p

ROOM & BOARD — Warm comfortable rooms with board. Apply 285 Main St., Lachute, Que. —p

FURNISHED APARTMENT—to rent, with all modern conveniences, centrally located. For particulars apply Watchman Office, Lachute. —x

FOR SALE — A lot of second-hand heating stoves, ranges; new and second hand Singer sewing machines; also a few second-hand washing machines.—J W. Lefebvre, Main St. —x

FOR SALE — 1 set new bob-sleighs 3" runners, 5 feet bunks with clevises, complete $30 — Moses Brown, R.R. 1, Dunany, Que. —1c

WANTED — A girl for general housework. Phone 921 r 21. —1c

HOUSE TO LET — Heated. Apply 174 Main Street, Lachute. —1p

IF YOU ARE AMBITIOUS — You can make good money with a Rawleigh Route. We help you get started. Sales way up this year. No experience needed. Steady work for right man. Write Rawleigh's, Box ML-514-2-L, Montreal, Canada.

PUBLIC NOTICE — Householders please take notice that from Monday to Saturday, Dec. 18th to 23rd, the water supply will be turned off from 11.30 p.m. to 5 a.m.

—R. Todd, Town Officer,
Lachute Town Corporation
—1c

COMING EVENTS

Notices of Entertainment, Concerts or Meetings, etc., 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cts.

OPENING OF THE LACHUTE ARENA

The opening of Lachute Arena will be on Friday, Dec. 15th. Hockey practice for all the players on Saturday night. —1p

ANNUAL FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual Firemen's Ball will be held in the Lachute Auditorium on Friday, Dec. 29th. Lowe's popular orchestra will be in attendance. Don't miss this annual event. Gentlemen, $2, ladies free. —x

CHRISTMAS TREE

A Christmas Tree entertainment will be held in Louisa Orange hall on Friday, Dec. 22nd, at 8 p.m. Refreshments served. Admission, adults 25, children 15c. — Keep the date open. —D21-2c

CHRISTMAS TREE

A Christmas Tree will be held in the Lachute Baptist Church on Thursday, Dec. 21st, at 8 p.m. Everybody welcome. —1c

CHRISTMAS TREE

A Christmas Tree celebration and Christmas concert will be held in the United Church hall on Friday, December 22nd, at 7.30 p.m. Admission 25c. —1

CHRISTMAS TREE

The Brownsburg Presbyterian Christmas Tree will be held on Monday, Dec. 18th., at 7.30 p.m. Silver collection. —1c



JEWELRY REPAIRS
WATCH REPAIRS
CLOCK REPAIRS

L. LaCHAPELLE
Beneath Desjardins Hotel
MAIN ST. — LACHUTE

Lights on Vehicles Urged Compulsory for Protection Of the Farmers

"Should the proposed by-law, making lights compulsory on all vehicles, aim only at protecting the farmers, this would be a sufficient reason for its adoption by the powers that be", stated George A. Savoy, chairman of the Quebec Safety League's rural safety committee, at a regular League meeting.

Mr. Savoy made reference to the League's present effort to secure legislation compelling all rig owners to put lights on their vehicles. "Claims have been advanced to the effect that this rule was intended merely to annoy farmers and would be of value solely to motorists", he declared. "These claims are inconsistent when one considers the fact that in most night accidents of this type the rig owner is the worst sufferer. An automobile will stand for much harder punishment than a horse-drawn vehicle. Usually the latter is battered to shreds, the horse is put out of use, and the occupants are seriously if not fatally injured".

"I have before me a clipping describing such an accident which took place recently," concluded Mr. Savoy, "and I find that an adult and a baby lost their lives, that an elderly man suffered a fractured skull and two other people were very badly hurt. These five victims were all seated in the horse-drawn, unlighted farm wagon, while the party in the colliding automobile were not even bruised".

Good Citizen Voices A Prevalent Complaint

The following letter appeared in last issue of the Montreal Star, and aptly instances the complaint of many good Canadians whose prime misfortune, at this time, appears in the fact they were born of European ancestry and have foreign names. . . .

Fed Up, Naturally

Sir—Will you kindly publish the following denial in some section of your paper.

Since the beginning of the war the rumor that I am in an internment camp has been spreading and gathering force to such an extent that it is becoming very annoying. I was born in St. Gall, Switzerland. Three years ago I became a naturalized Canadian. During this period I purchased the home and property of the late Commissary- General Forbes and during the time of reconstruction a very romantic story was afloat that there is an underground tunnel leading from the house to the old Carillon Barracks. (The Barracks is now the Museum which I donated to the Historical Society of Argenteuil.) To make the story more romantic, or should I say, more fantastic, apart from being in an internment camp, rumor has it that this tunnel now leads to an arsenal or powder house for my personal use.

As there are enough vicious truths in this war without adding the more than vicious untruths, I should like to state for the benefit of my friends and of course my enemies, that there is no underground tunnel in my house and never has been.—I am not in an internment camp, and never have been;—and I am quite fed up repudiating such foolish accusations as the above.

F. A. Hungerbuhler,
"Bellevue," Carillon, Que.

Sheriff's Sale

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned LANDS and TENEMENTS have been seized, and will be sold at the respective times and places mentioned below.

Fieri Facias de Bonis et de Terris
CANADA
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
DISTRICT OF TERREBONNE
Superior Court
No. 6771

THOMAS J. FOURNIER, farmer of Saint André East, District of Terrebonne, and FERDINAND LAROSE, accountant, of the City and District of Montreal, both in their quality of testamentary-executors to the succession of the late Aldéric Fortier, in his lifetime citizen of the Village of Saint André East, County of Argenteuil, District of Terrebonne, plaintiffs, es-quality; vs ALDEGE CARRIERE, hotel-keeper of Brownsburg, and THOMAS CARLIN, farmer of the township of Grenville, both of the District of Terrebonne, both in their quality of testamentary-executors to the succession of the late Dame Lorena Carlin, wife of Ovila Carrière, in his lifetime hotel-keeper of Saint André East, District of Terrebonne, and ROYAL GEORGES RAYMOND, clerk of Saint André East, District of Terrebonne, in his quality of chief of community existing with his wife, Dame Dora Carrière, of the same place, defendants es-qualité.

As belonging to the said defendants, the following immoveable, to wit:—

"A certain piece of land situate in the village of Saint André of Argenteuil, known and designated as forming part of the lots number three hundred and sixteen, three hundred and seventeen and three hundred and eighteen (pt. 316, 317, 318) of the Official Plan and in the Book of Reference of the said parish, bounded in front to the west, by the principal street, on one side, to the north, by the lots number 312-313, belonging to Miss Hélène Ladouceur, and on the other side, to the south, by the lot number 319, belonging to C. Wm. Lamb, and at the rear by the residu of the said lots 316, 317 and 318 belonging to the succ. Al. Fortier, measuring one hundred and eighty-nine (189') feet in depth in the north line and one hundred and eighty-four feet (184') in depth in the south line, by all the width of the said lots with an hotel and dependencies thereon erected; the measures above given being English measures."

To be sold at the door of the parochial church of Saint André d'Argenteuil, WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of JANUARY 1940, at TWO o'clock in the afternoon.

HORACE LIMOGES
Sheriff.
—1c

"Yes, our furniture is very antique. This bed, for instance, goes back to Louis XIV."

"Oh, well, we don't feel so bad; our living-room outfit goes back to Cohen the 30th."



REGINA'S NEW MAYOR

James Grassick, above, is the new Mayor of Regina, a veteran in his service of the city and the province. He settled in Regina in 1882 when it was known as "Pile O'Bones" because of the buffalo bones around the shacks. Mayor Grassick was elected by a substantial majority.

CAPITOL THEATRE Brownsburg

FRI., SAT., DEC. 15-16
BING CROSBY leads the parade.
THE STAR MAKER
Louise Campbell, Linda Ware
Laura Hope Crew, Walter Damrosch
and his Philharmonic Orchestra
A powerful newspaper story:
Scandal Sheet
And NEWS of the Day.

SUN., MON., TUES., DEC. 17-18-19
Irene Dunn, Fred MacMurray in
Invitation to Happiness
with Charlie Ruggles, Will Collier, Sr.
Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette in
Blue Montana Skies!
Novelette: A FEUD THERE WAS
Sunday Matinee at 2.30 p.m.

WED., THURS., DEC. 20-21
James Cagney, George Raft in
EACH DAWN I DIE
with Jane Brian, George Bancroft
Jane BRIAN, Charley GRAPEWIN,
Little Dickie JONES in
The Man Who Dared
Novelette: ALWAYS KICKING

FRI., SAT., DEC. 22-23
Annabella, Robert Young in
BRIDAL SUITE
with Walter Connolly, Reginald Owen,
Billie Burke
The BUMSTEADS in their exploits.
Blondie Takes A Vacation
NEWS of the DAY

SATURDAY NIGHT, DEC. 23
Annual Christmas present will be drawn. 1st prize, 66-piece set of fine glassware, to the lucky number.

THE SPINNING WHEEL TEA ROOM
offers a fine selection of
PAGE & SHAW CHOCOLATES
FOR CHRISTMAS
Come in and make your choice!

Flowers for Christmas!
POINSETTIAS
AZALEAS
CYCLAMEN
BEGONIAS
BROWALLIA
PRIMULA OBCONICA
All varieties of ferns and cut flowers. ORDER NOW!
A. PAULSEN
FLORIST
Stock on display Tuesday, December 19, at Leonard 5c-$1 Store.

NEW SUITINGS
WE ARE DISPLAYING A beautiful range of season's samples in all shades, and the newest designs . . . for your selection of material and choice of cut from our authentic 1939-40 designs.
LICOP BROS.
Custom Tailors
240 Main St., Lachute, Que.

ASSALY'S
(next to the Rex Theatre)
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SALE!
Do your Christmas shopping early — and look for our WEEK-END SPECIALS
Big Assortment LADIES' COATS, reg. $28.50, for $16.95
Extra Special, MEN'S OVERCOATS reduced to $13.95
All our NOVELTY MERCHANDISE for XMAS GIFTS is at a REDUCTION. Buy now!
With every purchase of a Ladies' or Men's Coat we will give away a Scarf FREE!

H. M. LAVIGNE
West End Department Store
PHONE 350
BIG PRE-HOLIDAY SALE!
December 14 to 23
Xmas Bargains in every department, with full selection of stock.
CLOTHING, Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's.
FURNITURE, Ideal Gifts for the Whole Family.
FURNISHINGS, LINENS for the household.
TOYS AND GAMES to delight the kiddies.
DRESSES, UNDERWEAR for ladies.
SHOES, OVERSHOES and RUBBERS.
TIES, SOCKS, HABERDASHERY, etc.
All items substantially reduced to offer you welcome economies at the most acceptable time for savings. Do your Christmas shopping HERE!
Groceries & Provisions for the Holidays

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Christmas...

And the Moral of a World at War

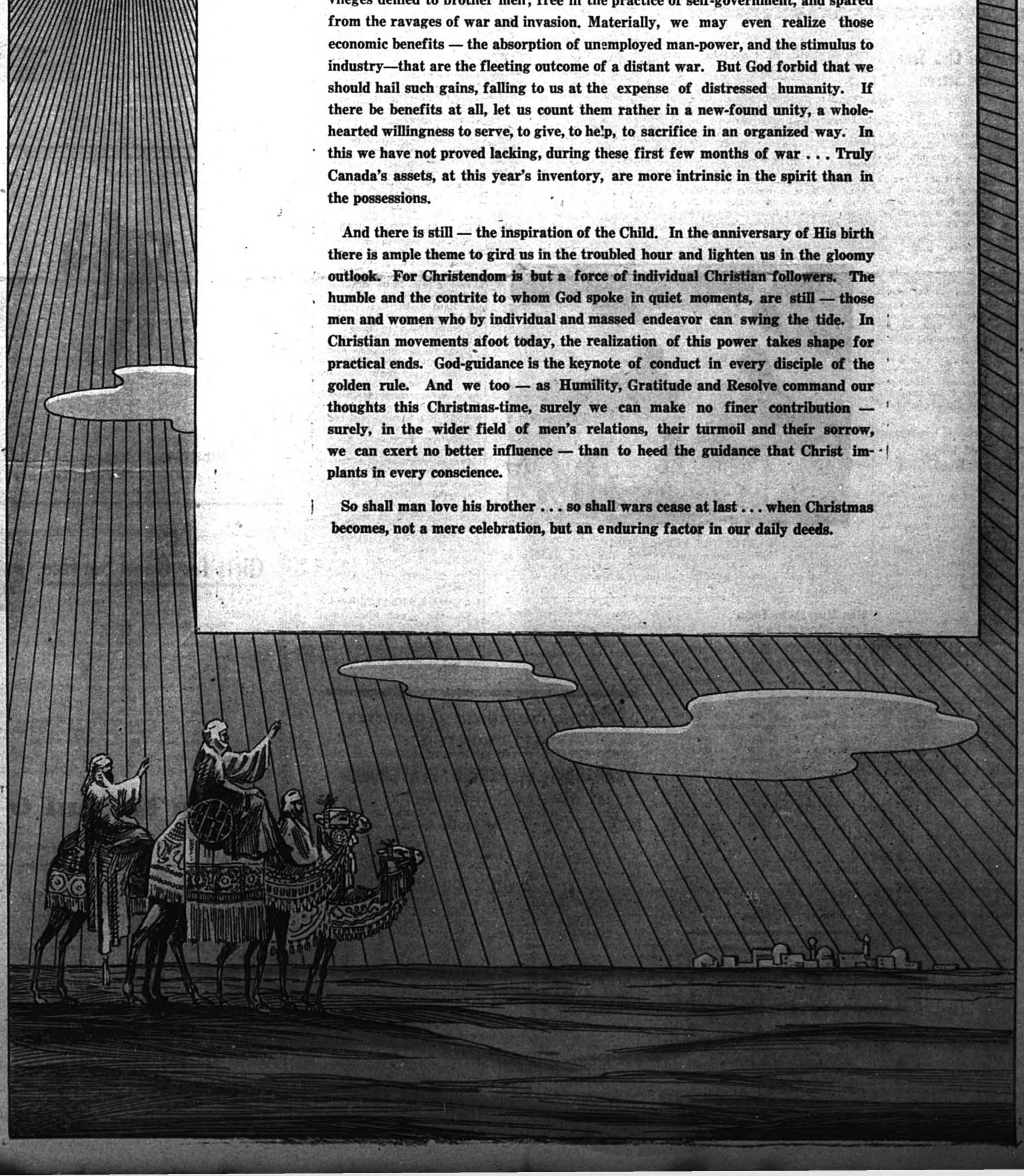
THE YEAR'S END is a season of inventory — a stock-taking of our material and spiritual assets. We count these benefits not in self-sufficiency but in a spirit of Humility, Gratitude and Resolve — the latter our quiet determination, that, rich in such well-being as life affords, we shall adjust our outlook and set our house to order for the highest achievement.

That is the ideal . . . But in this year of grace, war sickens the soul — and, surveying the disordered scene, we dwell somewhat on the futility of fine resolves !

Yet among our assets we, in Canada, may still count ourselves blessed in the privileges denied to brother men; free in the practice of self-government, and spared from the ravages of war and invasion. Materially, we may even realize those economic benefits — the absorption of unemployed man-power, and the stimulus to industry—that are the fleeting outcome of a distant war. But God forbid that we should hail such gains, falling to us at the expense of distressed humanity. If there be benefits at all, let us count them rather in a new-found unity, a whole-hearted willingness to serve, to give, to help, to sacrifice in an organized way. In this we have not proved lacking, during these first few months of war . . . Truly Canada's assets, at this year's inventory, are more intrinsic in the spirit than in the possessions.

And there is still — the inspiration of the Child. In the anniversary of His birth there is ample theme to gird us in the troubled hour and lighten us in the gloomy outlook. For Christendom is but a force of individual Christian followers. The humble and the contrite to whom God spoke in quiet moments, are still — those men and women who by individual and massed endeavor can swing the tide. In Christian movements afoot today, the realization of this power takes shape for practical ends. God-guidance is the keynote of conduct in every disciple of the golden rule. And we too — as Humility, Gratitude and Resolve command our thoughts this Christmas-time, surely we can make no finer contribution — surely, in the wider field of men's relations, their turmoil and their sorrow, we can exert no better influence — than to heed the guidance that Christ implants in every conscience.

So shall man love his brother . . . so shall wars cease at last . . . when Christmas becomes, not a mere celebration, but an enduring factor in our daily deeds.



LET us pause again amid the rush and turmoil of this outer life and think over anew that wonderful story of the Holy Child and His message of "Peace on Earth, Good-will Toward Men".

There is no story so captivating; and no life ever gave itself to such noble ends; and no life so awakened so much of the Soul of humanity. Go where you will, you will find His messages are there; search diligently amongst the achievements of the human race and you will find its greatest accomplishments have been done in His name — the greatest literature, the greatest art, the most soul-stirring music, the greatest movements for the world's good and for individual and social betterment.

As this world needs inspiration — let us find it there. As our civilization needs some redeeming objective — let us remember the Child and His sublime message.

St. Sauveur Ski Club Sees Active Sporting Season

At a meeting of the St. Sauveur Ski Club last week, Ernie Adams was elected president, while Eileen Gough was named secretary-treasurer and Armand Leduc, mayor of St. Sauveur and Bill Evans, of Piedmont, vice-presidents.

Organized some years ago the club has fostered several champions including Gerald Chevalier and Roger Trottier, both winners in Kandahar events and natives of St. Sauveur.

Trottier and Knute Smith, son of the well-known "Klister" Smith, are planning to enter the ranks of instructors this year, Trottier with the Hans Falkner School in St. Jovite and Smith with the St. Sauveur Ski School.

Plans this year call for a repetition of the annual New Year's downhill race. This being the first big ski event of the year, it usually attracts an outstanding entry.

Club trails, including the new St. Sauveur run and the Red Birds' run, have been put in racing condition and recent improvements to the jump will provide the necessary background for a successful season.

Little Boy Killed While Helping Unload Wood

Struck on the head by a piece of wood, thrown by a boy from a truck, five-year-old Georges Demers, of Terrebonne, suffered a fracture of the skull on Friday and died a short time later. The case was reported to Coroner J. G. Latour, M.D., of St. Jerome.

The child was playing in the yard behind his father's restaurant during the afternoon when a truck, loaded with wood for the stove, arrived to make delivery.

Georges and his companions decided to help the truckers unload. Some of the lads climbed aboard the truck and threw pieces of wood to the ground where the others picked them up to pile them. Georges was on the ground near the truck when one of the boys on the truck threw over a piece of wood without seeing that the little boy was there; it struck him on the top of the head.

$1,500,000 to A & P Employees As Christmas Gift

John A. Hartford, President of the Great A & P Tea Company, announced that one million five hundred thousand dollars will be distributed at Christmas time among employees of the Company earning less than $5,200 annually who have been with the Company more than six months.

When interviewed, L. W. Beebe, General Manager of the A & P Food Stores in Canada, said, "All full-time employees with the Company six months or over, earning less than $5,200 annually will share in this bountiful Christmas gift.

Those members of the organization earning $25 a week, or less, will be given a full week's salary. Those receiving more than $25 and less than $100 a week will be remembered with a Christmas cheque of $25.

Mr. Beebe said further, that this latest demonstration of President Hartford's thoughtfulness for the entire organization is especially gratifying at this time when all are interested in preparing their Christmas shopping lists.

Two Grenville Men Sent to Ontario Reformatory

Charged with perjury, Leo Forget and Albert Raymond, both of Grenville, pleaded guilty at County Court in L'Orignal last week, and were sentenced to 18 months in the Ontario Reformatory.

Owing to petrol restrictions, it is said, the horse is coming back into favor. And one advantage of the horse is that on a frosty morning you don't have to pour boiling water over it before it will start.



WITH THE FRENCH ARMY

A French battery camouflaged by nets, with guns pointing at Germany's Westwall. All around the coast of England and Scotland, and presumably France as well, fishermen's wives are busy making fish nets for camouflage.

Alan Murray to Form Army Concert Units

Alan Murray, well known among local concert-goers and a member of the original "Dumbells" who entertained the old C.E.F. in France during 1914-18, has "signed up" for the duration.

Alan Murray, who did many a song-and-dance act along the front with Captain Mert Plunkett's famous troupe and who is now a Montreal insurance man, has been taken on the strength of the Canadian Legion War Services to organize concert parties among members of the armed forces. Announcement of his appointment was made by Captain Ben Allen, also a former "Dumbell," who is assistant general manager and director of entertainment of the Legion's new war-time organization.

Murray, who saw active service in France with the 9th Field Ambulance, is at present holding auditions among men of the Black Watch and other regiments in the Montreal area. The talent chosen will be moulded into self-contained companies and these, when properly costumed and equipped, will entertain their own units here and overseas.



New Kilmar School Said Most Modern Rural Building in County

The new school building at Kilmar, constructed by Fraser Watson, of Cushing, is described as the most modern rural school in this county. A doorway connects the old and new classrooms, and both buildings are heated by a hot air furnace, which makes it necessary for a large, roomy basement. The school is also equipped with the new hydro-septic system of lavatories.

Six large windows on the left side of the building provide ample light for the blackboard and the pupils' seats are placed so that light falls from the generally approved position, namely, from the left. The new building will seat about 25 children

Alouette Ski Club Busy Preparing New Trails

MORIN HEIGHTS SKIERS IMPROVE ATTRACTIONS

There is marked activity at present among members of the Alouette Ski Club of Morin Heights in the Laurentians towards improvement of trails, and establishment of new ones.

About 30 miles were open last year, but some of these runs were not very well marked and now work is proceeding in placing a special club trail metal marker on these trails, with the club emblem thereon.

About 1,000 markers have been ordered and will be used as the official sign on all club trails. The present club trails are now marked by a system of numbers, 1, 2, 3, etc., as being the only distinguishing marks. They are being replaced by the new oval discs in club colors with emblem, bearing letters A, B, C, etc., to conform to the new requirements as laid down by the trails committee of the Laurentian Zone C.A.S.A. at its last meeting.

Officers for the 1939-40 season, all being residents of Montreal, are: President, Dr. V. T. H. Jekill; vice-president, A. L. Perry; treasurer, H. M. Mawhinney; secretary, John C. Binns; executive committee, Pierre Racine, A. C. Scott, Scott Kneeland; terrain committee (composed of residents of Morin Heights), chairman, John Basler; secretary, William Bell; Paul Baumel, J. D. Davis and A. E. Morgan.

Parliament Session, Opening Jan. 25, Will Be Absorbed Largely With War Program

PRESENT INDICATIONS SUGGEST GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD DURING NEXT YEAR

Ottawa, Dec. 19 — Parliament will meet on January 25th in what will probably be its final session before a general election. Since the special session in which the Canadian Parliament made its momentous decision to join forces with Britain and her allies, the government has been organizing the country's war effort from both the military and economic side, and it will of course be the administration of this effort and all measures connected with it which will occupy the time of parliament. Dr. Manion, leader of the Conservative opposition, has stated that he will bring up the question of patronage which he claims has been followed by the government in the award of war contracts. Every phase of Canada's contribution to the conduct of the war will be before the members of parliament.

In wartime matters of purely domestic concern naturally become subordinated to issues affecting the security of the nation. At the same time these questions do come before the people's supreme tribunal, and it is practically certain that the report of the Dominion-Provincial Relations Commission will be tabled in parliament this session. Without doubt full consideration of the recommendations which will be contained in this report, which has been prepared with such painstaking devotion, can be given only when peace has been restored. One hears nowadays around Parliament Hill some discussion about the St. Lawrence Waterways, but whatever ultimate success may be achieved by those favoring this project, it is considered doubtful that it will be brought up in parliament this session. What will certainly occupy much of the time of parliament will be such questions as the construction and work of the Boards which help to direct the country's economic effort, Canada's present position as a major source of supply for the allies of wheat, bacon, and other essential commodities as well as war munitions and equipment, the military, naval and air activities of the Dominion, the Empire Air Training Scheme and many other war matters of the greatest importance to the country. The people of Canada will follow the proceedings of the session with the liveliest interest.

NEW WAR SUPPLY ORDERS

Wartime makes uncertain when the next federal election will be held, but from present indications it looks like next year. That at least is the general feeling here. In the meantime, four byelections will take place shortly. Col. Ralston, Minister of Finance is the Liberal nominee for the byelection of January 8th in Prince Edward Island.

Under the new procedure of publishing amounts of contracts awarded by the War Supply Board and names of firms with whom the contracts are made, announcement has been made of further war orders to the amount of $5,638,000. Since the war began, the Supply Board and its predecessor, The Defence Purchasing Board, have let contracts for war supplies to an approximate amount of 54 million dollars. In addition railway equipment orders have amounted to about 25 million dollars. Of the new orders, the major portion was for aircraft supplies and accessories, and these were bought from the British Air Ministry. About thirty-five firms received substantial contracts for construction, clothing and equipment, aircraft supplies, machinery and barrack room stores.

CANADA'S WHEAT SURPLUS

Canada's largest wheat surplus is not being looked upon as so much of a burden as it appeared some time ago. The losses which have occurred through frost following earlier excessive rains in the Argentine wheat fields, and the excessive drought in Kansas and neighboring winter wheat states have had a distinctly strengthening effect on the wheat market, and have altered Canada's position in the world trade. It has further made it quite apparent that Canada will be a most important source of supply of this commodity in the present war. It is not believed that for the present at least there will be any need of changing the machinery of conducting the wheat business in Canada. There will likely be a steadily growing flow of wheat to the British market through the regular channels. In this way the money tied up in this surplus of grain will be released, with its beneficial effect on Canada's economy both East and West. It will further mean that Canada will be supplying from her granaries a most essential commodity for the sustaining of Britain and her allies in their struggle for existence and victory.

THE WAR TIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD

The War Time Prices and Trade Board has recently announced that from eight to ten million pounds of crossbred wool are being received from New Zealand. This will help to relieve the wool situation in Canada. Short stocks in Canada at the opening of the war presented a problem with which the board has had to deal through an export embargo, the fixing and purchasing of prices in Commonwealth markets. In the matter of sugar, the agreement in force with the British government has ensured an adequate supply at reasonable prices for the duration of the war. The British government early in the war, assumed control of all sugar supplies in the producing countries of the Empire.

The duties of the War Time Prices and Trade Board have recently been clarified and revised by an order-in-council. Powers of investigation have been extended. Co-operation is assured between Dominion and Provincial authorities in the administration and enforcement of war time regulations in relation to the price and distribution of the necessaries of life.

It is stated in an editorial that the country with the largest war chest will win. That rules out Germany, as the Field-Marshal's biggest measurement is well below the medal line.



HIS MAJESTY THE KING

Another new portrait of King George VI, showing him in his service uniform as a field marshal.



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"If it's me, make it Sweet Caps."

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Ski Boots, Skating Boots and Sports Equipment

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TO
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EDITORIAL

"GOD HATH MADE OF ONE BLOOD"

A Protestant soldier lay dying in no-man's land. As a Roman Catholic priest risked his life to approach him, the boy said, "Padre I do not belong to your church." "No," said the now kneeling Padre, "but you belong to my God."

The strange thing about the present war is that there is so little hate in it. English soldiers go out from their home towns ploddingly, with heads down, as one approaches a nasty job that has to be done. We are told that Germany's young men get no thrill out of their martial airs. Reports have it that Russia has to shoot down some of her hesitant aviators in the presence of others in order to force these others to take to the air with their death-dealing bombs.

The fact that religion is being attacked by Russia and Germany brings all religious groups closer together in tolerance of minor differences. There seems to be a greater grasping of the truth, "One is your Father."

Long years ago Saint Paul spoke a word to the men of Athens which men of good will might do well to pass along to other men at this Christmas time, when he said, "And God made of one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth."

THE HUMAN TOUCH

" 'Tis the human touch in this world that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine
Which means far more to the fainting heart
Than shelter and bread and wine.
For shelter is gone when the night is oe'r,
And bread lasts only a day,
But the touch of the hand and the sound of the voice
Sing on in the soul alway."

When Spencer Michael Free penned those words he wrote something which finds an answering chord in many hearts. We are lonely, most of us, in this cold world of ours. and when not putting on a front are prone to think that we don't amount to much.

But when we find out that there are those who care, we cling to them, and thank God. But we are not always on the receiving end of this "caring."

Silver and gold we may not be able to give to others but we can show our interest in what concerns them. Moreover, such giving need not be confined to Christmas time. Better still, considerate-caring enriches the one who gives the while it blesses the one who needs.

A CANADIAN CONTRIBUTES TO U. S. DEFENSE

John Garand was born in a French-Canadian village near Montreal. At 51 he has the satisfaction of knowing that he has produced the best semi-automatic rifle in the world; 402 hits in one minute is the record made with it by 12 National Guardsmen.

With a twinkle in his eye the modest inventor said, "They should have done better; but it was the first time and the rifle was new to them."

To many people the most interesting thing about John Garand is his attitude toward work and money. As a Connecticut machinist John developed precision workmanship to near perfection. Nothing less than his best would satisfy him. He quit a $3,600 a year job which merely demanded quantity output (with quality of secondary importance) to work for the United States Bureau of Standards at $1,800 per year.

Moreover he has refused tempting offers from private concerns and also from other governments. Garand said a few days ago : "In the present state of affairs it seems we have to have weapons, I don't feel sorry that I can donate one to this country. But then, I won't feel sorry if everybody lays down their arms."

Thus does one man make a fine contribution to that virile friendship which already exists between the United States and Canada.

A GREAT BELT PARKWAY

The New York City Park Department has embarked upon the most ambitious road-building project ever undertaken by a single city — the construction of the Belt Parkway. When this belt line is completed in midsummer of 1940, millions of motorists yearly will circle densely populated Brooklyn and Queens on a 33-mile concrete boulevard free of grade crossings or traffic lights.

To provide this uninterrupted flow of traffic there are being constructed, in addition to many miles of pavement, 67 bridges. Of these, one will be a viaduct, six are crossings over water, four are rail-highway grade separations, and seven are pedestrian crossings. Total cost of the Belt Parkway project is approximately $28,000,000.

The Belt Parkway is being financed by $16,000,000 authorized by the Board of Estimate to be expended from the city's improvement fund, plus a grant of $12,000,000 from the Public Works Administration. The city's portion of the cost will come from the sale of assessment bonds which replenish the improvement revolving fund each five years. Assessments are levied on the various boroughs receiving direct benefit from the improvement, and on the city at large.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — A TRAINING GROUND

"Democracies can function only with energetic, intelligent leadership and an informed followership which gives intelligent instructions to the leadership."

"Why not try making our local government and the mayor's chair the road to national political leadership ? Let us make local government the training group through which high school and college boys must be expected to pass on the road to national leadership.

"We will get political leaders who will use power wisely on the national field only by allowing them to learn, in city halls and council chambers, how to use wisely, under the close scrutiny of citizens who see them daily, the wide powers of cities which have real self-government."

—Walter J. Milliard

CITIZEN PARALYSIS

We have had an extensive nation-wide educational service in the last decade to convince many of the voter citizens that they are not responsible for their social and economic status ; that is, they are without work, without funds, without food. without clothing or shelter, "through no fault of their own". Also they have been taught that the government can provide "social security" which the individuals cannot provide for themselves. That is, the government has resources much greater than the composite of its individual citizens.

These teachings have proven very contagious. It seems to require only a slight contact with the public treasury under the soothing words "through no fault of your own" to give these teachings a foothold which, it appears now, may take generations of public institutions to root out.

Actually, we have millions of men, women, and children who appear to be perfect physical specimens of human beings with the normal faculties for citizenship, but who are, in fact, now disabled by having one or more paralyzed limbs insofar as they can be counted upon ever to provide individual initiative, individual work, and individual responsibility for supporting themselves and their dependents. They have become thoroughly inoculated with a sense of community responsibility for the individual instead of the necessary citizen faculties of individual responsibility for himself and the community. It remains to be seen what remedies will be most effective in checking this paralysis or abating it.

—Kansas Government Journal

WORK...

From the Writings of
Dr. Frank Crane

According to accepted traditions work was a curse pronounced upon man by the deity when man was expelled from the Garden of Eden.

If this is true, then it is true that the curse of God is better than the blessing of man.

For there can hardly be any doubt that working for one's bread and butter and shelter is about the best thing that ever happened to man.

Suppose all the teeming millions in New York were idle, that they had nothing to do but amuse themselves, it would not be a week before the city was burned down. It is the fact that most of us have to put in a certain number of hours a day in earning our livelihood that keeps us sane.

The sanest thing on earth is work. Men who give their time to imagining, to theology, to philosophy, or to other speculations are fertile soil to all kinds of disorder. It is men who have to work that are the flywheel of every nation. As a rule they want things to remain as they are.

And as a rule they are the bulwark of morality. Crime news and divorce court scandals originate largely in the idle classes. Chesterton has said that when a man puts in ten hours a day at street car driving he is not likely to be tangled up with the wife of some one else. He hasn't time even for his own wife.

The workers are the security of a country and the best guarantee of that country's prosperity.

The greatest menace of militarism is that a large body of men are kept in comparative idleness. If the millions under arms in Europe could be disbanded and go to work it would be the best insurance of peace.

Workers as a rule are not interested in fighting.

Of course there is excess in everything. There are men who continue at work as a sort of obsession, and who take no vacation. Ordinarily they break down.

All work should be tempered with play, but play is the condiment of life. When there is too much salt and pepper the meat is spoiled. The main part of a man's days should be spent in useful employment, and by useful I mean the kind of work the world is willing to pay for. The advantage of pay being not that it enables man after a while to quit work, but that it shows that his work is of value to the world.

How many a divorce trouble would be avoided if both man and woman were economically independent.

It was not a bad idea of the Jews of old to intrust their children in some useful trade. The best life insurance policy that a man can leave his family is to have them all so trained that they can make their own way in the world.

It is doubted that the man with the hoe, the laborer, should be the object of so much sentimental pity. For after all the man who knows how to use his hoe has a greater prospect of happiness in this world than the man that is left an endowment of a million dollars.

RULERS OF THE SEA, a film-story dealing with the first trans-Atlantic steamship crossing, on the craft constructed by Shaw, founder of the early Shaw and Gillespie shipbuilding firm, Scotland — is billed for an early showing on the local screen. This is described as a vivid dramatization of historical happenings; and in connection with the program, young and old who have steam or sailing craft models are invited by the Rex management to exhibit them in the theatre lobby.

WAR CONDITIONS ADD TO IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH TRAINING

"Stick to your posts if you possiby can, because service to youth today is service to the nation," was the advice given Boy Scout and Girl Guide leaders by Earl de la Warr, President of the Board of Education, in a broadcast talk from England on "Education, Part of the Home Front." He stressed the dangers for youth arising from darkened streets, the absence of parental control and the strain of war.

Mainly About Montreal

BY LESLIE C. POWELL
Special Montreal Correspondent to The Watchman

Ottawa, Ont.—

CAPITAL CLOSE-UP

Greetings from Capital Hill, where your newsboy is enjoying the well known Ottawa hospitality. After an absence of many years, he forsook his Montreal haunts to re-visit old Bytown and found it greatly changed. There is a distinct military air about the town, the streets being thronged with soldiers of the many regiments stationed there. The Saturday night dance at the Chateau Laurier was well attended by officers of the various regiments, such varied uniforms as the Air Force, Army, Navy and Highlanders both in tartan slacks and kilts, being on view.

Your reporter was struck by the beauty of the new War Memorial, which was unveiled by King George last summer, and the clean spaciousness of the square which surrounds it. He was also struck by the irony in which a new World War was begun so soon after this magnificent monument was completed in memory of the last war.

It's a grand town, old Ottawa, peopled with the most hospitable folk, and your wandering correspondent intends to return real soon to take in the many places missed on such a short, but pleasant, excursion.

MOVIE OF THE WEEK

Your movie critic being a confirmed Marx Brothers fan, took the short trip over the Ottawa River to Hull, there to take in the new M.G.M. flicker, "A Day at the Circus", starring the aforementioned zanies. Although a habitual movie-goer, your newsboy has not heard an audience laugh as loud, or as often, as did those present in the Hull theatre. This column is willing, nay, eager to bet that you will roar your head off at the antics of the mad Marx's. The writer is not the only one who sat doubled up with tears of laughter streaming down his face.

The grand comedy of the insane trio is neatly spiced by a song or two from Kenny Baker and Florence Rice, a deft piano solo by Chico, a beautiful harp selection by silent Harpo, while even Groucho goes musical with a rib-tickling song about "Lydia, the Tattooed Lady".

I give top "marx" to this swelegent picture !

THE SPORT PAGE

Your correspondent shunned the sports fixtures this week — although his bump of inquisitiveness almost made him the main attraction of a sports event, namely, a boxing match. Always searching for facts and figures, he asked a group of Ottawans what happened to their Rough Rider football team. Immediately a great big husky goliath tried to make an issue of my "Xx ? ! ! *x*(*$)& ô levity" (his very words). Seems he was one of the many who bet their all on the Riders to defeat the Westerners, and, you know what happened. From that time on, your reporter was very circumspect with his remarks. Dashed touchy people, these Ottawa football fans !

DEAR SANTA . . .

(Each year at this time, yours very truly drops a line to Mr. S. Claus, North Pole, and mentions his hopes for Christmas morn. Santa being a regular reader of The Watchman, the column seemed a good way of saving a three-cent stamp. So if you care to read along with Santa, let's go !

Mr. Santa Claus, North Pole.

Dear Santa :

You will, no doubt, recall receiving a letter from me last year at about this time telling you what I wanted for Christmas. Although you didn't quite come through, you did a fairly good job, although I still believe the auto I asked for would have been more comfortable and convenient than the roller skates I received.

This year I would like 50 new readers for the column, thus achieving a total of 50, that is not including my family, but it's only a small family. Give this poor scrivener a facile pen and a neat turn of expression. Give him lots to write about and the means by which to describe it. Make his readers (?) regard him favorably and ask them to forgive his many lapses.

For my boss, The Watchman, why not supply many new subscribers (paid) and new advertisers ? Surely the ideal gifts.

For the above mentioned readers, bring them what they want the most, but above all, be sure to bring them happiness and health.

For the world at large, bring peace and good will. Supply Hitler with a good home, or rather, just supply a shovel and we'll dig him one.

Please, dear Santa, make this a merry, merry Christmas for all the world and especially for my lovely lady, The Watchman and all its readers. Thank you, and a merry Christmas to you, sir,

Yours very gratefully, L. C. P.

SHORT TAKES

When the police reporter, mentioned here last week, read the item regarding him and the Criminal Code, he threw it at me and ever since I have had a "code in the head" . . . The Germans have proclaimed that the Nazis ruled the air. Since hearing some of their propaganda broadcasts, I believe it. Hot air ! It's all a lot of Boche. . . . If anyone asks you for your opinion of the late but unlamented Graf Spee, just reply with a paraphrase of Mischa Auer's classic remark, "Confidentially, it sinks !" . . . A happy Christmas to you all, dear readers; may your stocking be filled with all you desire. A very merry Christmas, from me to you.

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SCIENTIFIC SANTA

Santa Claus is a decidedly progressive old chap He keeps strictly abreast of the times, and in his work employs only modern-day methods Once he went plodding over the fields in a sleigh no faster than reindeers could gallop. It took him a long time, but he managed to make the rounds.

Then came the automobile. Santa got a big red one and hitched trailers on behind. He could get around faster. He carried bigger loads, got to more homes and made more children happy. When airplanes flew over the North Pole Santa got another idea. He believed that planes would be better for his long trips and for skipping from housetop to housetop. He is hardly built for an air pilot, but nobody flies faster nor farther than plump, old Santa.

He does not fancy zeppelins, but he is sure that in another year or two he may be able to broadcast Christmas to the children by radio. As soon as carriers are invented to fly through the air, directed and landed by radio energy, old Santa will sit on his mountain of northern ice and broadcast an up-to-date Christmas to all the world.

"I THINK I CAN MAKE IT"

"I think I can make it," the dressmaker said,
As she scanned the pattern new;
In just two days the dress was done,
A garment rare to view.

"I think I can make it," the carpenter said,
As he looked the blue prints over;
In two short months a dwelling stood
Where none had stood before.

"I think I can make it," the blacksmith said,
As sparks from his anvil flew;
Then very soon, lay at his feet,
A horse's well-shaped shoe.

"I think I can make it," the motorist said,
As he passed the car ahead,
But half a second wasn't enough,
And now two men are dead.

— Ralph Gordon

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Curling Club Opens Its Season's Activities

The annual opening of the Curling Association of Lachute was held in the club-rooms on Monday evening, dinner being served at 7 o'clock. A number of visitors and prospective members were present, and after a hearty meal the gathering enjoyed a singsong of popular songs, Mr. Paul Courville officiating at the piano. Unfortunately the weather has been mild for curling up to the present, but a spoon competition is now under way and regular bonspiels will follow.

Friday witnessed the first curling of the season and on Saturday two teams came for a friendly game from Vankleeek Hill.

Messrs. John Sinclair, E. Mooney, W. Barton and J. A .McKinnon (skip) were drawn against Geo. Muir, D. Bates, G. Valois and J. W. Gall (skip), the visitors winning by 2 points in a score of 10-8.

Messrs. E. V. Durant, Wm. McNabb, S. Allen and Dr. W. L. Durant (skip) played against S. Winmill, H. Scott, J. Falconer and J. R. Charron (skip), the latter team winning 4 up in a score of 5-9.

Refreshments were served after the games.

Lachute and Brownsburg in Mount Royal Hockey League Split-Up

INTERMEDIATES DIVIDED INTO "A" AND "B" DIVISIONS FOR SCHEDULE

With 10 clubs in the Mount Royal Intermediate Hockey League this season, officials have divided their clubs into two sections, to be known as "A" and "B." The division brings together Rosemount Tigers, Brownsburg, General A. C., Winged Wheelers and St Denis in "A" with Lachute, St. Lambert, N.D.G., St. Ann's and Montreal Tech School in "B."

It is understood that Brownsburg and Lachute will play four-point games with all the clubs, except when they themselves clash.

The revised playing schedule was announced this week by Marcil Gauthier, secretary. Lachute and Brownsburg, the two outside clubs in the league, have not been effected by the changes. These teams play all their games at home with the exception when they clash with each other.

In the Interest of Local Service Men

Relatives of soldiers from this county who have enlisted in the present war, are urged to send information to Geo. Leggett, secretary of the Canadian Legion Branch 70, Lachute Mills. Many have so far neglected to forward these name, and in certain instances the particulars are incomplete. Kindly mention soldier's rank, regimental number, full name, and regiment.

Buy advertised goods at advertised stores!

"Ice Storm" Breaks Power Lines, Disrupts Service

ELECTRIC SUPPLY CUT OFF FOR 7 HOURS YESTERDAY

CHRISTMAS WATCHMAN PRINTED UNDER DIFFICULTIES

Linemen of the Gatineau Power Company turned out in full force yesterday, working frantically to repair damage to the transmission lines caused by ice deposits and falling limbs from broken trees. The "ice storm" which set in Tuesday night and continued through Wednesday morning did extensive damage to the system, and the extent to which a community depends upon its electricity supply was impressed very forcibly in factories, offices and homes. In many plants, where motors stopped and machines were idle, worked ceased entirely, while in the homes where householders depend on electric ranges and electrically operated furnaces, much inconvenience was experienced. This was intensified in the late afternoon when there was no power available for lighting.

The circuit was broken around 10 a.m., and the current was not turned on again till 5 o'clock in the afternoon. There was a further interruption in the power supply Thursday afternoon, and The Lachute Watchman, incidentally, experienced much difficulty through these delays in printing its Christmas edition.

Last Call for Musical Competition Entries

Final notice to all prospective competitors in the 1940 Quebec Musical Competition Festival, is issued from the Quebec Musical Festival Competition offices in Montreal. Competitors entering original works in music are required to have their entries in not later than January 2. Literary works, finals of which are to be judged by Her Excellency, Lady Tweedsmuir, will not be accepted after January 5, and entries in other musical events will be accepted until January 22.

It is important that all competitors pay particular attention to these closing dates, it is stated at festival headquarters. In previous years there have always been some competitors who have to be turned down because they did not file their entries in time. This year it is hoped that entries will be received by the proper date.

Each year the number of competitors has increased and in 1940 a new record entry is anticipated. All classes this year are attracting widespread interest, officials report, and there should be close to 15,000 competitors in this greatest musical event of the year in Quebec Province.

Admits Illegal Practice Of Dentistry

Georges Gervais, 35, of St. Hermas, pleaded guilty before District Magistrate Donat Lalande at St. Jerome on Tuesday to a charge of having practised dentistry illegally. He was summoned to appear in court following a complaint by the Province of Quebec College of Dental Surgeons. He was sentenced to a fine of $200 and costs or to a jail term of three months.

Service Club Drawing and Christmas Charity Work

A drawing on behalf of the Lions Club Christmas charity fund was held at the Rex Theatre on Monday. Winners of the prizes were — Geo. Tattersfield, Mrs. Jamieson, Gilbert Todd, J. P. Roy, Mrs. R. McRae, Alphonse Coté and C. H. Rhodes. The sum realized from the sale of tickets was approximately $100, and the public are thanked for their generous response to this effort and to the appeal for contributions for the Club's charity baskets.

The distribution of baskets to needy families is well organized among the Lions Club and the Hundred Club, besides other gestures of Christmas work. Any who wish to contribute goods for the charity baskets may still do so by dropping a purchase in the Lions Club barrels placed in leading stores, or by donating direct to Hundred Club members, who are packing baskets individually.

Arrangements Completed for Winter Upkeep of Roads

The clearing and maintenance of winter roads between Montreal and Ottawa is now assured. Laurentian Roads Limited, a company organized for this purpose, are disbanding and the Provincial Government has undertaken to maintain Route No. 8 from Montreal to the East Settlement fourcorners, and Jas Weldon, of Calumet, who has four plows, will be intrusted with the work to Grenville. He has also been awarded the contract for clearing the Lachute Town thoroughfares, at a cost of $550.

A special committee comprising Hon. Geo. Dansereau, of Grenville, A. J. Quinn and Mayor F. Brunelle, of Brownsburg, and Mayor W. S. MacKimmie of Lachute, will handle the finances.

The road to Brownsburg will also be kept open through the winter, and next year assurance is given that the road from Montreal to Ottawa will be maintained entirely by the Provincial Government.

Scarlet Chapter Meeting At Grenville

Royal Scarlet Chapter No. 5 of the County of Argenteuil held a meeting in the Orange hall at Grenville Thursday evening, Dec. 14, presided over by Wor. Bro. Melvin McGibbon, County Master, assisted by brethren from Dalesville, Brownsburg, Grenville and Lachute Lodges. One candidate was exalted to the Royal Scarlet degree. The members of Grenville Lodge served refreshments at the close of the meeting.

NATURE'S FABRIC

The birch, when it gets too big for its clothes, cracks the bark a few layers at a time, and the wind pulls off long, thin streamers of exquisite tints of silvery white or dusky brown, from which boxes and baskets may be fashioned for Christmas which are out of the ordinary. Rustic looking place cards may be made for the friend who gives unique luncheons. The camper friends might find napkin rings made of it convenient.

More Highway Mishaps as Ice Endangers Driving

GARAGE-MAN IN HOSPITAL WITH SERIOUS INJURY

Returning home from St. Jerome to Lachute Sunday evening a party of young townsmen met with an accident as their car took the ditch at the junction of Mirabel Road, better known as "the transformers" — a treacherous S-turn near the Gatineau Power site. Three of the four occupants were hurt, the most critical injuries being suffered by Cleo Leger, Lachute garage-man, in whose car the men were driving.

Leger is now in the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Montreal. He was badly gashed around the head and neck, and immediately on admission to hospital underwent a surgical operation on his throat. Among other occupants of the car was Jules Lamarche, son of Albani Lamarche. Driving the car he crashed against the steering wheel, the force of the impact breaking the wheel. Romain Beaulne was badly wrenched in the shoulder, hip and leg, and has been confined to bed for three or four days. Alex Rochon suffered only minor bruises and Roger Filion was shaken in the crash.

The young men were brought to Lachute for treatment at Dr. Jules Lafleur's office, Leger being immediately removed to hospital. He is reported to be making a good recovery.

A collision near the Perley Bridge, at an intersection between No. 8A highway and a cross-road from Grenville, occurred early Friday afternoon, Dec. 15th, causing considerable damage to two trucks. A light delivery vehicle owned by Wilfrid Chantal and driven by his brother, Laurent, entered the intersection eastward into the highway and crashed with a truck loaded with pulpwood. The heavier vehicle, owned by Basil Jackson, Brownsburg, was driven by Wesley Steele and was on the way to Hawkesbury. Damage on each of the trucks was estimated at around $200.

On Monday shortly before 6 p.m. two out-of-town vehicles sideswiped on the slippery highway opposite Houle's Garage, Chatboro. Neither driver was hurt, although the lighter of the autos, a passenger vehicle, was damaged and brought for repairs to Deacon's Garage, Lachute. Figuring in the crash were Louis Kipps, of Iroquois, Ont., traveling east in an Oldsmobile sedan, and William Denton, of Ottawa, driving west in a Diamond-T truck owned by Hyman Fine, Ottawa.

Traffic Officer H. Jones, of Lachute, investigated the accidents.

Fruit Truck Takes Fire

One of the Laurin trucks, in which David Laurin had just arrived from Montreal with a load of fruit and vegetables, took fire at around 9.45 p.m. on Tuesday. Laurin parked the truck on Main Street near the post office and went to his home nearby for supper. Meanwhile smoke was noticed rising from the interior of the truck. The fire brigade were notified from Muir Bros.' Service Station, and Fire Chief G. Y. Deacon arriving with the fire truck and a small crew, soon extinguished the flames by means of a small-gauge hose from the booster pump. The contents of the truck were spoiled but there was very little damage to the vehicle itself.

Changes Effected in Local Govt. Appointments

Two anticipated changes in government appointments have been effected in this town. Wilfrid Jolicoeur has been re-instated as manager of the Quebec Liquor Commission store, a position which he occupied during the Taschereau administration, while L. E. Dumais was appointed this week to succeed Albani Lamarche as registrar of auto licenses for this county.

A SAFE HOLIDAY

Accidents May Easily Happen Unless Care Is Observed.

Here are some "Safety First" hints for Christmas and the days that follow:—

Give your children all the toys they need and all you can afford but buy wisely. Be sure that tiny tots aren't given small articles that they can swallow or inhale. Look out for pins in cheap dolls.

Youngsters love Christmas trees but hundreds of fires take place every year because of carelessness, such as using candles; failure to place the tree on a firm base and using tissue or crepe paper for decorating purposes. Non-inflammable snowflakes should take place of paper and cotton. Electric lamps should be substituted for candles.

When trimming the tree, use a step-ladder, not a rocking chair or box.

Wrapping paper and excelsior should be disposed of immediately.

Dispose of the tree before the second day of January as when it has dried out, it is highly inflammable.

OBITUARY

LATE MRS. JAS. LEES

The death of Mrs. James Lees on Thursday, December 14th, came as a great shock to her family and many friends.

Mrs. Lees was formerly Jessie Yeudall. She was born in Galston, Ayrshire County, Scotland, on March 10th, 1886, and was the daughter of Mr. Wm. Yeudall, of Verdun, and of the late Mrs. Yeudall. Mrs. Lees came to Canada with her parents in 1913. She was married to Mr. Lees in Calgary, Alberta, the same year.

She is survived by her husband and two children, Melville and Jean, both at home, also three sisters and five brothers, in Montreal and Toronto.

The funeral service was held on Saturday in the Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church, conducted by the Rev. E. Orsborn. Her two favorite hymns, "When He Cometh" and "Abide With Me", were sung.

The pall-bearers were her four brothers and two brothers-in-law, John, Albert, Tom and George Yeudall, of Montreal, Douglas Lennox, of Montreal, and Norman MacMillian, of Toronto.

Many beautiful floral tributes showed the esteem in which she was held.

LATE WM. A. GORDON

The sudden death of William A. Gordon has cast a gloom over the community of East Settlement, for Mr. Gordon was a highly respected resident of that place and had lived in the vicinity all his life.

The funeral service was held from his home on Friday, and was conducted by the Rev. E. Orsborn, assisted by Rev. W. B. Rosborough.

The pall-bearers were his neighbors and close friends, Messrs. Harry Todd, David and Jack Black, Erskine Rodgers, Eddy Armstrong and Oswald Thompson.

Left to mourn are his wife, two sons, Orrin, of Louisa, and Archie, of Dunany, three sisters, of Lachute, and one brother in New Hampshire.

THE LATE MRS. HOOPER

The death occurred at Grandmere on Saturday last of Mrs. Fred Hooper. Deceased lady was born in Grenville, Que., in 1869 and was the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. I Matthieu, one of the early families in the county. She graduated as a nurse from Flushing, N. Y. Hospital in 1893 and was married in 1896 to Mr. Fred H. Hooper. During her residence of 32 years in Brownsburg she was actively associated with church and charitable work. After the death of her husband in 1928, she lived in Montreal for several years, later taking up residence in Grandmere, Que. During recent years, she had been in failing health.

Service was held on Monday afternoon at the Tees Chapel, in Montreal, Rev. Mr. Cassidy officiating. Burial took place at Lachute Cemetery on Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. Mr. Cassidy and Rev. Mr. Rosborough.

The pall-bearers, all old friends of the family were, Messrs. Wm. Murray, G. I. McFaul, W. S. McGibbon, A. Dixon, E. McOuat and C. Hardie.

Mrs. Hooper is survived by a sister, Miss E. J. Matthieu, of Grandmere, and two sons, Dr. Harold, of Grandmere and Dr. Willis, of Lachute.

LATE HENRY W. TODD

Services for Henry Wilson Todd, 77, of Vancouver, who died on December 2nd at Campbell River, B. C., were held on Wednesday, December 6th, the Rev. S. S. Osterhout officiating. Interment took place at Mountain View Cemetery.

Born in Quebec, Mr. Todd had resided in Vancouver for several years. He was a former resident of the Yukon, and was a member of the Canadian contingent that represented this country at the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1897.

Surviving are two brothers and a sister.

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Admiral Richard E. Byrd, his associates and the famous snow cruiser snapped in Boston shortly before the party sailed for the Antarctic. Top, left to right, are Dr. Thomas Poulter, designer and driver of the gigantic cruiser; Commander Isaac Lystad of the North Star, one of the Byrd ships, and Admiral Byrd himself. Below is the snow cruiser about to be placed on board ship.

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Among the Churches

MEETING OF ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S.

St. Andrews E. — The 64th annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church was held in the church hall on Wednesday, with a large attendance. The president, Mrs. Joseph Bradley, presided and opened the meeting with devotional exercises. The secretary, Miss P. Doig, gave a fine report of the activities of the society during the year. This was followed by the report of the treasurer, Mrs. T. Webster, which showed the allocation met, and a good balance in the expense fund. The supply secretary reported two bales of clothing packed and forwarded to the Presbyterial Society. Thirty boxes of Christmas cheer were packed at the manse and forwarded to the inmates of the Old People's Home. The Mission Band, through their secretary, Miss T. Walsh, reported having sent a shipment of jams and jellies also gifts of toys, to Tyndale House. Mrs. Gates, the Literature Secretary, reported four boxes of books and two bags of magazines shipped to the North West.

The nominating committee, with Mrs. Robert Bradley, as convenor, presented the slate of officers and secretaries for 1940. All the old officers were re-elected except the secretary, Mrs. Geo. Bryson being chosen to fill that office.

There were a few changes in secretaries — Mrs. E. Calder being appointed Glad Tidings secretary, and Mrs. Gordon Smith and Mrs. J. Howe as supply secretaries.

PRESBYTERIAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S, ST. ANDREWS EAST

St. Andrews E. — The regular annual meeting of the Presbyterian Young People's Society was held in the church hall on Monday evening, with a good attendance.

Mr. R. Blair, the president, occupied the chair, and Mr. R. Watson, secretary-treasurer, gave the financial report, which showed a good balance for the coming year.

The main business of the evening was the election of officers, which resulted as follows — President, Mr. Paul Doig; 1st vice-president, Miss Elizabeth Hamilton; secretary-treasurer, Miss Gwen McCullough.

The remainder of the evening was spent in singing Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. T. Webster. The meeting closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer, after which a social hour was enjoyed.

UNITED W. M. S. MEETING AT ST. ANDREWS

St. Andrews E. — The annual meeting of the W. M. S. of the United Church was held at the home of Misses Pitcairn on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 12. The officers of last season were re-elected, Mrs. W. Lamb taking the chair during election. Then Mrs. J. Esdon resumed the presidency. Five names have been dropped from the roll — three by removal; two, Mrs. G. Jeffrey and Miss F. Hibbard, by death. The treasurers report showed that the givings averaged those of the past few years.

Mrs. Mowatt gave a talk throwing light on the prevailing conditions in China, especially her old mission field, Honan. She urged the banning of silk stockings (from Japan), a step she, herself, took a year ago. Rayon could be substituted, as it is made in Canada and the U. S. In Japan the profit on a pair of silk stockings equals the cost of one bullet.

A card was read from the supply secretary, Montreal, acknowledging the receipt of two boxes of clothing sent from this auxiliary in November. Tea was served at a daintily appointed table to the 13 ladies present.

LACHUTE UNITED Y. P. S.

The regular weekly meeting of the Lachute United Young People's Society was held in the church hall last evening, with a large attendance.

The business meeting concerned mainly the preparations for the banquet which is taking place next Thursday evening.

The program, under the arrangement of the citizenship convenor, consisted of an interesting talk by Mr. Linton W. Armstrong on "Canada's War Effort".

PRESBYTERIAN Y. P. S.

Relinquishing the hall for use of the Sunday School Christmas Tree, the Presbyterian Young People's Society cancelled their weekly meeting of last night. Your correspondent, who last week announced that the meeting would be held, regrets the error.

It is rumored that several members of the YPS. were noticed around the rear of the hall, probably waiting for Santa Claus and the opportunity of whispering into his eve-listening ear their pet wants for his Christmas Eve visit. Cecil McFaul reports that the sale of heavy wool socks has been decidedly heavy, with a surprising trend toward longer legs, and extra large feet. One member last meeting was observed sitting over in a corner by himself, every few minutes bursting into a spasm of laughter, who finally confessed that he had devised a plan to fool Saint Nick. He intended cutting out the toe of his stocking, and the laughter was the effect of picturing Santa vainly trying to fill the sabotaged sock.

The next scheduled meeting of the Society will be held on January 3rd—which, coming in 1940, reminds us to wish all our friends a "Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year".

ANNUAL MEETING OF LACHUTE UNITED W. M. S.

The annual meeting of the Lachute United W. M. S. was held on Thursday last. Mrs. R. Bradford was elected president, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the retiring president, Mrs. F. McGibbon, who had filled that office for the past three years.

With Mrs. R. Bradford will be the following officers — Honorary presidents, Mrs. H. Fraser, Mrs. J. W. Cottingham, Mrs. J. D. Campbell, Mrs. Lalanne; immediate past president, Mrs. F. S. McGibbon; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. A. MacGibbon; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Christie; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. J. Falconer; recording secretary, Mrs. King; corresponding secretary, Mrs. G. Paul; treasurer, Mrs. S. McFaul; expense secretary, Mrs. H. Martin; stewardship and finance secretaries, Mrs. J. Mason, Mrs. H. Giles, Mrs. S. McFaul; associate helpers secretaries, Mrs. J. A. MacGibbon, Mrs. W. J. Deacon; town assistants, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. King, Mrs. Aitkin, Mrs. Jacobsen, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. McNish, Mrs. Brown; country assistants, Mrs. F. S. McGibbon, Mrs. Rosborough, Mrs. Bradford, Mrs. W. K. McArthur, Mrs. S. McFaul, Mrs. H. McFaul, Miss K. Reid; literature secretary, Miss Stalker; press secretary, Mrs. J. S. Giles; missionary monthly secretaries, Mrs. E. S. Morrison, Mrs. C. Graham, Mrs. Clunie, Mrs. E. Gordon, Mrs. Doig, Miss James; community friendship secretaries, Mrs. Clunie, Mrs. F. S. McGibbon, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. McRobie, Mrs. W. Doig; supply secretaries, Mrs. R. Hamilton, Miss Nicoll, Mrs. Jones; temperance secretary, Mrs. Way, C.G.I.T. leader, Mrs. L. Morris; mission band leader, Mrs. McNeil; pianist and flower fund secretary, Miss K. Reid; social committee, Mrs. A. McDonald, Mrs. Aitkin, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. McNish, Miss K. Reid, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Jackson; program committee, Mrs. Rosborough, Mrs. W. K. McArthur, Mrs. R. McOuat, Mrs. Parnell, Mrs. F. S. McGibbon; decorating committee, Mrs. Staniforth, Mrs. Jas. Hamilton, Mrs. Jacobsen; nominating committee, Mrs. Clunie, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. J. A. MacGibbon.

Rev. W. B. Rosborough conducted the installation service, following with a short address, the subject of which was "Finding by Losing". A Christmas solo was sung by Miss Janet McOuat, and a social hour completed a very happy afternoon.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, December 24th.

The Golden Text is from Isaiah 52:9. "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ." (Galatians 1: 11, 12).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scripture" by Mary Baker Eddy: "In the year 1866, I discovered the Christ Science or divine laws of Life, Truth, and Love, and named my discovery Christian Science. God had been graciously preparing me during many years for the reception of this final revelation of the absolute divine Principle of scientific mental healing. This apodictical Principle points to the revelation of Immanuel, "God with us," — the sovereign ever-presence, delivering the children of men from every ill "that flesh is heir to." (Page 107).

Social and Personal

Miss Cecile Belanger will spend Christmas with her sister in Granby, Que.

Miss Gwenllian Spriggs, R.N., of Montreal, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Giles.

Mr. William Painter left this week to visit his daughter, Mrs. C. Finnimore, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Ralph Murray, of Digby, N. S., visited her sister, Mrs. W. B. Rosborough and the Rev. Rosborough, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McFaul are spending Christmas with Mrs. McFaul's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Webster, in Waterville, Que.

Among the local High School teachers who are spending their holidays away are — Miss P. Bennett, at Bury; Miss Martha Cunningham and Mr. Crawford Anderson, at Huntingdon; Miss Dorothy Pritchard, at Wyman; Miss Betty Jones, at Bedford; Miss Janet Farmer, at Lachine; Miss Ethel LeGrand, at Port Daniel; and Miss Muriel Marshall, at Inverness.

Miss Bernice Roberts spent last week-end visiting friends in Montreal.

Miss L. Harrison, R.N., is leaving to spend the holidays at her home in Maryfield, Saskatchewan.

Miss Lois McFaul, of Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, is spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. McFaul.

Miss Marjorie A. Seekins has returned from Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd R. Seekins, Princess Street.

Miss Edith Rosborough, of Queen's University, Kingston, is spending the vacation with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Rosborough, at the United Church manse.

Mrs. A. M. Campbell, of Carleton Place, who has been visiting her three daughters, Mrs. King, Mrs. Robbins, and Mrs. Vowles, left this week for Toronto and Perth. During her stay in Brownsburg she was entertained by many friends, among whom were Mrs. Suthren and Mrs. Jas. Roberts.

Sunday Services

MARGARET RODGER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m.—Sabbath School
11 a.m.—"The Man who Learned How Christmas Comes"
3 p.m.—Brownsburg
7 p.m.—A service of congregational and choir singing, Christmas hymns.

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Mr. Walter C. Tompkins, Pastor.

10 a.m., Bible School.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Services.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST
Rev. J. R. Simpson, B.A., B.Th.

10 a.m., Sunday School.
11 a.m.—Christmas Message
No evening service.

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m.—Christmas Service. Subject: 'Good Tidings of Great Joy'
7 p.m.—Christmas Service. Subject: 'Why the Angels Sang'

Special Christmas music will be rendered by the choir at both services.

11 a.m.—East Settlement.
3 p.m.—Thomas' Gore.

A Christmas Tree celebration and concert will be held on Friday, Dec. 22nd, at 7.30 p.m.

A cordial welcome to all!

CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Rev. W. LeCras, Rector

Fourth Sunday in Advent
St. Simeon's Church, Lachute
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer
Christmas Day
7.45 a.m.—Holy Communion
11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon
St. George's Church, Brownsburg
7 p.m.—Evensong
Christmas Day
9 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon

REGULAR BAPTIST SERVICES
Rev. C. Hardie

11 a.m.—Brownsburg.
2.30 p.m.—Dalesville.

LAKEFIELD CHURCH SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector.

Sunday, Dec. 24
10.30 a.m.—Lakefield. Holy Communion
2 p.m.—Louisa. Holy Communion
7 p.m.—Dunany. Holy Communion
Christmas Day
7.30 p.m.—Lakefield. Carols

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths, In Memoriam, etc., 50 cents each insertion . . 5c a line extra for verses accompanying In Memoriam.

MARRIAGE

BALL-HARDIE — At Cushing, Que., on Tuesday, December 5th, by Rev. W. A. Dempsey, Jane Letitia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hardie, to Leslie Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Ball, both of Brownsburg, Que.

DEATHS

LEES — At Upper Lachute on Thursday, December 14th, Jessie Yeudall, beloved wife of James Lees, aged 53 years.

HOOPER — At Grandmere, Que., on Saturday, December 16th, Louisa Matthieu, wife of the late Fred Hooper, aged 70 years.

SMITH — At Aurora, Ill., U. S. A., on Dec. 19th, 1939, Thomas F. Smith, beloved husband of Etta Cleland.

HUME — On Dec. 20th, 1939, Margaret C. McOuat, wife of William H. Hume, aged 68 years. Funeral from her late residence, Hill Head, on Friday, Dec. 22nd, at 2.30 p.m.

MacHARDY — At his home in Portland, Oregon, Dec. 17th, 1939, at the age of 71, Joseph MacHardy, beloved husband of Effie Goodland, formerly of Calumet, Que.

TODD — Passed away suddenly at Campbell River, B. C., Dec, 2nd, Henry (Harry) W. Todd, in his 78th year. Late residence 249 Prior St., Vancouver. Survived by 2 stepsons, Gordon Riddell, Vancouver, Elmer Riddell, Garrett, B. C.; 2 brothers and 1 sister. Funeral service Wednesday, Dec. 6th. Rev. S. S. Osterhout officiating. Interment Mountain View Cemetery.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

LEES—Mr. James Lees and family wish to thank friends and neighbors for the great kindnesses extended them in their recent sad bereavement.

GORDON — Mrs. W. A. Gordon and family wish to thank their many friends and neighbors for the kind sympathy shown them in their recent sad bereavement.

TODD — Mr. Robt. Todd wishes to thank relatives and friends for sympathy extended to him in his recent bereavement.

HOOPER — Miss E. J. Matthieu, and Doctors Harold and Willis Hooper wish to express their appreciation of the sympathy extended in their recent bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

SWAIL — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, William J. Swail, who passed away Dec. 22, 1934—Ever remembered by his loving wife and family.

The flowing stream of life rolls on,
But still the vacant chair
Recalls the love, the voice, the smile
Of him who once sat there.

PERKS — In loving memory of dear Beatrice, who departed this life Dec. 20th, 1937.—Inserted by the family.

When the weary ones we love
Enter on their rest above,
Seems the earth so poor and fast,
All our life joy overcast.
Hush! be every murmur dumb
It is only till He come.

BARKER — In fond memory of Mother, who departed this life Dec. 18, 1937.—Ever remembered by Eddie and Alex.

At home on the beautiful hill of God,
In the valley of rest so fair,
Some day, some time when life's work is done
With joy we shall meet her there.

BARKER — In loving memory of mother, Mrs. H. Barker, who passed away Dec. 18, 1937—Ever remembered by Fred and Hilda.

December brings back sad memories
Of a loved one gone to rest,
And those who think of you today
Are those who loved you best;
You are not forgotten, Mother dear,
Nor will you ever be,
For as long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.

BARKER—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, who passed away Dec. 18th, 1937.—Ever remembered by husband, Myrtle and Victor.

She was as good as goodness is,
Her acts and all her words were kind,
And high above all memories
We hold the beauty of her mind.

—For your Christmas shopping, call at O. Paquette's Main Street, where you will find a nice variety of fancy boxes of chocolates (at 50c Lb. up), boxes of cigars, cigarettes, smokers' supplies, small leather goods and Christmas novelties of all kinds. Your gifts will be prettily wrapped free of charge. Also on hand, a large assortment of Christmas and New Year cards at low prices. —D21-2c

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This special Sunday Show will end not later than 11.15 p.m.
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Pat O'BRIEN, Wayne MORRIS in
Kid from Kokomo
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Special Matinee for the Children
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All Vaudeville Show!
JOE RATTE, Canada's funniest man.
COWBOY BILL, singing favorite songs.
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Roy ROGERS, Mary HART
Lulu BELLE, Wm. FARNUM in
Shine On, Harvest Moon
Walt Disney Cartoon:
MOTHER GOOSE GOES HOLLYWOOD

THURS., FRI., SAT. DEC. 28-29-30
Franchot TONE, Ann SOTHERN, Lee BOWMAN, Mary BETH in
Fast and Furious
SIGRID GURIE in
Forgotten Woman
with Eve ARDEN, Don BRIGGS, Wm. DUNAGAN
And NEWS of the DAY

Christmas Time
is one of those rare occasions when our thoughts turn from the more material things of life. . . We realize that, were it not for the good will of friendly folks in this community, we would not have been privileged to enjoy the progress which is ours. As an expression, therefore, of our genuine appreciation of this patronage and support, we extend sincere wishes for a
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Happy New Year
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Nous sommes heureux de présenter à tous nos concitoyens nos meilleurs souhaits de santé, de prospérité et de bonheur.

The Mayor and Council of Lachute Town

Le Maire et Les Echevins de Lachute

To You and Yours



We extend the compliments of the season and our most hearty wishes.

Jos. Belanger

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You Like Us?

— Many more friends, gay times, glad hearts. But at this season we like to think of old acquaintances, to cherish their loyalty, and greet them with — A Merry Christmas!

Jos. Speight

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Another Yuletide.

We've done our best to boost ourselves in your esteem; and such is our intention — through courtesy and service — in the coming year. May we continue to enjoy your friendly patronage.

M. G. Assaly

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Quality and Service

— To these ideals we add the note of personal friendliness, which finds its warmest expression in our greetings at this time.

Roy Elliott

Butcher — Phone 922-r-1-2



One and All,

One and all, to our circle of friends in Lachute and district, we extend our sincerest greetings.

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Main St. — Monumental Masons — Lachute

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As we have welcomed the opportunity to serve you in the past year . . . . so we welcome the opportunity now, to thank you and wish you the best that life can offer.

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We're not in business for our health, either! But in this necessary routine we surely cherish the give-and-take of finer values — confidence, esteem and good fellowship. We greet you now in the real pleasure these things afford us.

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Brownsburg — Phone 308

We Thank You

for the business with which you have favored us during the past year. . . . In the coming year, as in the past, your interests will be ever foremost in our thoughts.

Lachute Lumber & Mfg. Co. Ltd.

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Merry Christmas

We thank you for your continued patronage during the long years of our business career.

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Greetings

We wish to join the merchants of Lachute and Brownsburg, in extending best wishes to the folk of Argenteuil.

J. A. Campbell

Lumber Merchant — Dalesville

Here's Tae Ye!



And here's to recall the grand old days, to greet the grand old friends, and new, who make this work-a-day routine of life an adventure worth while.

McFaul Bros.

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Christmastide

is just one occasion when we take the opportunity of greeting you. Our thoughts are to serve and give satisfaction the other 364 days too!

Boyd's Lachute Express Ltd.

"Ship the Safe Way" — Telephone 75

Santa's Here!

— His toys, his gifts on every hand. But in our hearts the spirit of friendship is foremost. Our customers are cherished friends; to them we owe much — more than we can express in the words, "A Merry Christmas."

Canadian Novelty Store

Phone 360 — Main St.

This Festive Season,

the proprietor and staff desire to extend to all good friends and customers the handclasp of friendship.

Lachute Creamery

Phone 197-W

Not as a Customer

but as a friend — we extend our thanks and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A. Ethier

Butcher — Bethany St.

The Same to You!

In your business support we have enjoyed a year-round token of goodwill . . We substantiate the good service we have given in return, with our heartfelt wishes at this happy season.

S. Abraham

Restaurant — Lachute

Things That Endure.

We sell them every day, for there's Quality in the Things That Last . . . . And in our lasting friendships, too, we enjoy keen satisfaction . . . . We appreciate old friends, we thank them heartily and wish them now a Happy Christmas.

Assad's Store

Phone 177 — Main St.

But Once a Year . . .

comes this privilege of wishing our customers a Merry Christmas. Yet we would like you to know there's an unspoken sentiment, a genuine good wish in every day of our acquaintance. — That's friendship.

Reg. Courtien

Agent for Harrison Bros.' P.O.M. Bakery

Thanks!

Thanks for your continued support, and our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nos relations d'affaires avec vous ont été des plus agréables. Par conséquent il nous fait plaisir à cette époque d'en exprimer notre appréciation.

J. D. Lepine

Brownsburg — Phone 306

Time and Change . . .

We were in business a quarter century ago here in this town. . . Now, when we pause to wish you the best that life can offer — need we stress our true sincerity? For us, the seasons and surroundings are rich in memory.

Geo. Y. Deacon

Ford Dealer — Lachute Mills

Count the Hours!

Count the hours you spend in shopping throughout the year — the time you give to planning your purchases, budgeting your economies. We hope we have featured as a bright spot in these duties, and we offer our continued services as a stand-by for discriminate buying.

G. I. McFaul

Merchant — Brownsburg, 312

Merry Christmas

Christmastide is a period when we relax a little from the routine of work and think of our many business acquaintances of the past year. We extend to them our best wishes for a happy festive season.

J. A. Prégent

Electrician — Phone 62

Once Again,

We ask you to accept our sincere wishes for a happy Christmas Season — and, in the New Year, joys and blessings that will make your days worth living.

A. D. McGibbon & Sons

Lumber Merchants — Telephone 31

It's Christmas!

When old friends are a trifle brighter,
and old spirits a trifle lighter,
and old handshakes a trifle tighter
— It's Christmas!

Omer Paquette

Barber and Tobacconist

Every resident of this community points to its success and growth with just pride. They refer to its schools, churches and civic institutions as being unparalleled. The merchants are known to be four-square in their business methods, but do we as residents back up our assertions of justified pride by giving full support and co-operation to the business interests that have made possible this community? If not, we should. TRUTHFULLY you can lay claim to many things, but unless you stand close by with your support of the business interests in your community, your pride is not sincere. Co-operation between buyer and seller, (the merchant and resident), is what is needed. He deals squarely by you. Do the same with him. Demand creates supply. Your merchant will do the supplying if you create the demand. Every purchase made in this community (instead of outside) makes it larger and you grow broader through your patronage. The thing most needed in the business world today is confidence. More fidelity and trust between buyer and seller. Don't forget that right in your community, business is being done on a man-to-man basis. Forget the bargain sales outside; you never have nor will get anything for nothing. Things of quality necessarily demand good prices. Those things that tend to cheapness demoralize art and manufactures. Buy on the quality basis, and by so doing you will find that it will last long after the price is forgotten. Do your shopping locally, not only at Christmas-time, but the year 'round.

— Contact

A Joyous Christmas!

This wish to all our customers, with our appreciation of their continued goodwill and support.

Frank Earle

Jeweler — Phone 140

With All Sincerity,

to those who have favored us with their patronage in the past year — we extend the heartiest Season's Greetings.

Thos. J. Carpenter

Brownsburg — Phone 321

Good Cheer!

Good health, good friends, good prospects. — With these your festive celebration will be complete. . . . Thanking our customers for past favors.

H. Pariseau

Brownsburg — Phone 434

Day by Day

we visit at your door, and furnish our products for your table. . . In this constant service we feel a certain friendliness. We greet you rather as a neighbor, and we trust this sentiment is mutual.

Graham's Dairy

Phone 796 — Lachute

Greeting!

"A Merry Christmas!"

It becomes more real with repetition — more sincere as the years grow old.



Rene-Paul Raymond

Butcher — Phone 272

Small-Town Sincerity.

In this troubled world we wish there might be more of the neighborliness which lightens our business load. We count ourselves fortunate in the good will of our patrons.

J. R. Seguin

Painting, Papering, Floor Sanding

Joy at Christmas

— And may your 1940 harvest be happiness. A year is scarcely long enough to hold all the good fortune we wish you.

McOuat's Dairy

Phone 221

Service — Friendship

We have made great strides in modernizing our methods of service. We hope you are pleased with these efforts; for behind them we maintain the same old friendly spirit and courtesy. . . We greet our patrons now as year-round friends.

A. & P. "Self Service" Store

Greetings!

The approach of Christmas brings with it our appreciation of your goodwill.

Albani Lamarche

Phone 313 — Main St.

A Wish, a Message.

May the declining days of 1939 bring you happy memories. May the dawn of another year bring hope — and its fulfilment, in Health, Wealth and Gladness.

J. R. A. Carignan

Plasterer — Phone 43



May We Join

the merry chorus, to wish you gladness at Christmastime and all good things in the coming year.

The Spinning Wheel

J. Smith — Restaurant

Years Ago,

in the early progress of this town — our establishment started, persevered and flourished with its surroundings. . . . There's sentiment deeper than a casual greeting, when we bid our friends A Merry Christmas.

J. P. MacKimmie & Sons

Phone No. 36

A Long Life, a Merry One!

"Good Health" is not an idle wish — but a bounty which we are happy to encourage, through our products and the pure ingredients used in their manufacture. . . . May health and happiness be yours in 1940 and through many years to come.

Campbell Reg'd

Phone 50 — Main St.

Thrice Blessed.

First, in good health; second in peace of mind; third, in material blessings — may your days be filled to generous measure.

Russell Rodgers

Tel. 127 - - - - - - Lachute

Home-Town Folks

'Tis not the streets, the stores, the churches — but the good folks who frequent them. The home-town is a community of friendly neighbors. . . Now we greet them . . we appreciate them . . we're glad to be one of them!

Gordon's Garage

Brownsburg — Phone 371

To all of you, the Season's Greetings, and best wishes for an even MORE prosperous 1940.
THANKS for another great year! — from

Bill's Lunch Car

Main Street, Lachute

—— A Word of Gratitude at Christmas Time

Old Fashioned ?

Old as Christendom, this yuletide custom. Yet so is friendship — loyalty — devotion . . . and like all such age-old institutions our sentiments run deep and true. — A Merry Xmas to you and yours.

Farmers' Supply Co.

84 Foundry St. Telephone 384

We Anticipate

the pleasurable relations of our business through another year. While thanking you for past favors, we wish you the Compliments of the Season.

Lachute Bakery

J. A. Menard, Prop. Phone 106

Tous les résidents de cette collectivité font remarquer son développement et son succès avec un légitime orgueuil. Ils disent que ses églises, ses écoles et ses institutions civiques sont incomparables. On sait que les commerçants y ont des méthodes de transactions loyales; mais nous, les citoyens, justifions-nous nos assertions en donnant tout notre appui et toute notre coopération aux affaires qui ont permis à cette collectivité d'exister. Si cela n'est pas, nous devrions le faire. Vous pouvez REELLEMENT vous enorgueillir de bien des choses; mais à moins que vous ne donniez votre appui aux affaires dans votre collectivité, votre fierté n'est pas sincère. Ce qu'il faut, c'est la co-opération entre l'acheteur et le vendeur (le commerçant et le résident). Il agit loyalement envers vous; faites-en de même envers lui. La demande crée la fourniture; si vous créez la demande, votre commerçant y pourvoira. Tout achat effectué plutôt dans cette collectivité qu'en dehors, la développe et vous en profitez également par votre propre patronage. Dans le domaine des affaires, c'est la confiance qui est la chose la plus nécessaire actuellement; plus de fidélité et de confiance entre l'acheteur et le vendeur. N'oubliez pas que dans votre localité aussi, les affaires se font d'homme à homme. Oubliez les ventes d'aubaines ailleurs; vous n'avez jamais eu quelque chose pour rien et vous ne l'aurez jamais. Les articles de bonne qualité coûtent nécessairement plus. Les choses qui visent au bas prix, démoralisent l'art et la fabrication. Achetez au point de vue de la qualité et en le faisant vous verrez que la durée se prolongera bien au-delà de la dépense. Faites vos achats localement.

— Contact

Of All Human Values

Friendship rates the highest. At this bright season we pause with gladness to count you among our friends, and to greet you as a good one !

John McFaul & Son

Phone 8 Main St.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends and customers.

Souhaits d'un Joyeux Noël et Bonne et Heureuse Année à mes jeunes et vieux clients.

Salon Louise

Hairdressing — Phone 306

Newest Styles

— They're our specialty. But we cannot improve on that old-style wish, for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Licop Bros.

Tailors Phone 101 Main St.

Debits, Credits . . .

are just material sidelines in business. What truly counts in the long years, is the depth and endurance of human relationships. We measure our success in the friends we have made. . . God send them peace and gladness at this season.

H. Sabourin

Dry Cleaners Telephone 326

Happy Days, and Many !

Never a Christmas morning,
Never the Old Year ends,
But somebody thinks of somebody,
Old days, old times, old friends.

J. E. Walker

Insurance Phone 918 r 2

We're Satisfied !

In the share of trade which you have given us, we are well satisfied. — ARE YOU? Our thanks and good wishes are expressed to every friend and customer.

Muir Bros.

Service Station Main Street

Hours of Pleasure

If we have helped to while away your evening hours with pleasure, we count it a privilege. . . . And in so doing, we cherish the happy acquaintances we have made. . . Sincere good wishes.

Nos bons souhaits et nos remerciements pour votre encouragement au cours de l'année écoulée.

Rex & Capitol Theatres

Lachute — Brownsburg

Health and Happiness to You

Thank you again for your patronage, and at this time I desire to extend cordial greetings for a Happy Christmas.

J. Fournier

Drover Phone 573

— 1940 —

The happiest New Year of them all. May it be rich in the friendships of the past; may the gladness of these festive days be your lasting experience.

Gregoire Raymond

Butcher Phone 281 West End

Christmas !

The inspiration of this season brings true happiness and peace. May these be yours in generous measure.

Don Fletcher

Main St. Barber Lachute

We Serve !

That is our role in the life of this community. But daily association forms a link more kind, more inspiring than the mere bonds of Business. . . We give expression to this softer sentiment in our greetings at this Christmas time.

Deslauriers & Rozon

Insurance Grace Street

Your Health !

As we cater to your health in wholesome dairy products — so we wish you many happy days. . . We value the privilege of serving you. Please accept our thanks and our sincere good wishes.

A. W. Robbins

Dairy Brownsburg

What's Yours ?



"Tak' a cup o' kindness yet
— For Auld Lang Syne."

A Merry Christmas to our Friends !

Edgar Pollock

Garage Brownsburg

Greetings !

When you favor us with continued business, we rejoice in your confidence. . . At this time we thank you and pledge our best endeavors to please you in the future.

J. W. Lefebvre

Phone 76 Main St.

Compliments of the Season

We join with the merchants and business folks of Lachute, to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year — thanking you for the favors of the past year.

Aimé Trudel

Upholstering Phone 305

Success

They say Success is in the mental attitude. We wish you the happy outlook to acquire Success — but, perhaps more, we wish you material ingredients of health and prosperity to foster the happy outlook.

Desjardins Hotel

Telephones 105 and 569

Friends !

May joy and health, good luck and wealth,
And days without a care,
Make life's pathway bright each hour
With sunshine everywhere.

Beaton's Pharmacy

Phone 164 Main St.

Another Year

has passed, and again we come to you with the wish that's old but ever new — A Merry Christmas to you and yours.

I. Laurin

Fruit Merchant Lachute

A Joyful Spirit

goes hand-in-hand with kindly service. . . In our transactions all year round, we foster a friendliness which finds its warmest expression in these Christmas greetings.

Z. Harbour

Drugstore Phone 332

We Take Pleasure

in thanking our patrons for the business we have enjoyed in 1939, and to wish them one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Alcidas Laurin

Building Contractor Phone 599-J

"Yours Faithfully . . ."

Faithful service has been our brightest aim. And for the business with which you have rewarded us in the past year, we extend our deep gratitude.

Lucien St. Jacques

Sash and Door Factory Lachute Mills

Troubles

are our specialty ! Our business is to detect them and remedy them. . . Still we hope that yours may be few, to cast no serious shadow on your contentment in the coming year.

MacRae's Garage

Phone 220 Main St.

In the Zero Hour

of winter—glowing fires, and the memories of summer sunshine, bring us cheer. — 'Tis so in Life's sombre moments : warm hearts and good friends stand by us.

To one and all — kind greetings, from

Argenteuil Bazaar Store

Phone 156 Main St.

Across the Counter . . .

there are as many friendships made as in the club or over the garden fence. . . We appreciate this aspect of our daily affairs. . . . To all whom we have been privileged to serve—health, happiness and prosperity !

H. M. Lavigne

General Merchant Lachute Mills

Our Sincere Wishes

— And may we thank you for your patronage during the past year.

NOS BONS SOUHAITS et nos remerciements pour votre encouragement au cours de l'année écoulée.

Leonard 5c — $1 Store

Leonard Bedard, Prop. Main St., Lachute

Since A. D. 1 —

the oldest yet the warmest wish to greet a Christian world. . . . We echo it again, sincerely : A Merry, Merry Christmas !

Cousineau Regd.

Wholesaler Phone 592

Opportunity Knocks.

Why miss such opportunity ! We take this occasion to thank our friends and customers — to wish them all the joys of Christmas and the happy anticipation of another New Year.

Lachute Autos Limited

Phone 114 Main St.

Friendship's Glow

Our service goes out to brighten your homes, and factories, and offices. . . In the same full measure, may our sincerity help to lighten your spirit and warm your heart with friendship.

Gatineau Power Co.

Phone 18 Main St.

Time Marches On !

Again it is our happy privilege to greet you — warmly appreciating your support and assuring you of our utmost courtesy and service in the approaching year.

John A. MacKimmie

Bakery Phone 481

Thanks a Lot !

There's real sincerity in those words. — And may we add our friendly wishes for your welfare in 1940.



Claude St. Jacques

Painter, Sign Writer Foundry Street

As a Perfect Day

ends in a warm and cheery sunset, may your spirit glow with joy and friendship when the old year fades. . . For 1940 we wish you good things and many.

Mason Motor Sales

Phone 297

Mid-Victorian !

"God Bless You," we say . . . Though folks don't greet you nowadays like that, our wishes are rich with that simple sentiment. There's nothing better we could wish you — nothing more sincere.

Geo. Paul

Grocer Main Street Phone 7

They Carried Lanterns

along the wooden sidewalks of Lachute — when this firm first established business. Yes, we've many old friends; and we echo again the old, old wish — a Merry Christmas to all.

R. McArthur & Son

Plumbers, Steamfitters Telephone 172



Health, Happiness, Prosperity

What more could we wish you at this joyous season ?

R. Hamilton

Flour, Feed and Coal Merchant

Tempus Fugit !

The years slip past. We're glad there's Christmas once a year — an occasion to hail you as a friend — to clasp your hand and show our friendship.

Stephens' Grocery

Phone 293 Main St.

Smiles and Tears . . .

— Life is made up of both. But nothing can mar this festive gladness which we share with our friends. The old, old wish lacks nothing for all its simplicity — A Merry Christmas !

Mrs. M. A. Belanger

— Jeweler —
10 Bethany St., Lachute

'Tis Our Business

to cater to your needs, to safeguard your health and save you money on your food supplies.

Our self-service system is designed to do these things efficiently, while our friendly attention aims to make your shopping hours a pleasure.

Dominion "Self Service" Store

A. MacDonald, Manager

Barriers of Reserve ?

No, that's just grim concentration on the job of earning a living. Folks aren't like that underneath. To stand up and yell "A Merry Christmas" gives a businessman one of the year's biggest thrills. . . We're like that too; and we mean it.

Jas. Derouin

Merchant St. Philippe Phone 92-J-4

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, thanking all for their patronage and good will in the past year.

L. LaChapelle

Watch Repairs Main Street

Once More !



Good health, good luck, good cheer —
May these be yours at Christmastide
And throughout the coming year.

Canada Café

278 Main Phone 308 W



JEWELRY REPAIRS

WATCH REPAIRS

CLOCK REPAIRS

L. LaCHAPELLE

Beneath Desjardins Hotel
MAIN ST. — LACHUTE

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Merry Christmas to each one
From early morn 'til set of sun,
Merry Christmas to you all,
Whether you are big or small.

Whether you are young or old,
Greetings to you often told
I must wish and wish again—
It's a happy old refrain.

May your Christmas be so jolly,
With greens and mistletoe and holly,
With presents and a lot of cheer
And a following happy year.

Merry Christmas to each one
From early morn 'til set of sun.
Merry Christmas to you all,
Whether you are big or small.
—Mary Graham Bonner.

A fall of snow on Christmas Day is regarded as the sign of a lucky new year.



COMING EVENTS

Notices of Entertainment, Concerts or Meetings, etc., 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cts.

CHRISTMAS TREE

A Christmas Tree entertainment will be held in Louisa Orange hall on Friday, Dec. 22nd, at 8 p.m. Refreshments served. Admission, adults 25, children 15c. — Keep the date open.
—D21-2c

CHRISTMAS MATINEE

A Christmas matinee of clean, wholesome vaudeville entertainment is being staged at the Rex and Capitol Theatres on Dec. 25th especially for the kiddies. Parents are urged to give their children a treat on this day, or to provide a treat for less fortunate youngsters, by sending them to this performance, at 15c admission. Candies, favors and community singing.
—1x

ANNUAL FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual Firemen's Ball will be held in the Lachute Auditorium on Friday, Dec. 29th. Lowe's popular orchestra will be in attendance. Don't miss this annual event. Gentlemen, $2, ladies free. —D28-2c

Want Ads

Want or For Sale advertisements 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cents. If replies are directed to Watchman Office, 25 cents extra.

ELECTROLUX — Give your home the latest in comfort and labor saving devices — an Electrolux. Agent, J. W. Lefebvre, Main St.
—x

SUGGESTION — To help you in your Christmas shoping; enquire about leather belts, suspenders, mats and other useful leather articles.—Wesley Robinson, Lachute, Tel 922 r 3.
—D21-p

HOUSE FOR SALE — With all modern conveniences. Apply 78 Foundry St. —1c

FURNISHED APARTMENT—to rent, with all modern conveniences, centrally located. For particulars apply Watchman Office, Lachute.
—x

FOR SALE — A lot of second-hand heating stoves, ranges; new and second hand Singer sewing machines; also a few second-hand washing machines.—J W. Lefebvre, Main St. —x

MAN WANTED — Good nearby Rawleigh Route now open. Sales way up this year. If willing to conduct Home Service business while earning good living, write immediately. Rawleigh's, Dept. ML-514-45-1 Montreal, Canada.

District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

GRENVILLE NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Anderson and sons, James and Ronald, also Miss Myrtle Anderson, of Ottawa, were recent Sunday yisitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Stewart and Mrs. E. G. Stewart were in Vankleek Hill attending the funeral of the late Mr. Arthur Millar.

Deepest sympathy is extended from this locality to Mrs. Willie Stewart in the loss of her father, Mr. Arthur Millar, and also to the bereaved relatives of the late Mrs. Larkin.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stewart included Mr. and Mrs. Ross Matthews, of Stonefield Heights, Mr. Wm. Cooke, of Lansdowne, Ont., also Miss Lilly Millar, of Gananoque, Ont.

ST. ANDREWS EAST

Mrs. R. Hebert, of Verdun, Que., is the guest of her father, Mr. R. Roy.

Mrs. Ed. Leedham was in Montreal for several days last week.

Mr. E. Calder was in Montreal on Friday.

GRENVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. E. Woodbury and two little sons motored to Ottawa last Saturday and spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennison, in that city.

The many friends of Mrs. T. H. Gauley are glad to hear that she is recovering from her severe illness, in Dr. Smith's Hospital, Hawkesbury.

Jean Oswick entertained a few of her little friends to tea on her eighth birthday, Dec. 20th.

Mrs. A. V. Gaudry celebrated her 75th birthday on Wednesday, Dec. 20th; through this column she extends to her friends and to The Watchman wishes for a merry Christmas and New Year.

The Sunday Schools of St. Matthew's and the United Church are holding a joint Christmas tree in Dansereau's Hall on Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dennison, of Ottawa, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Woodbury.

An interesting service was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 14th, at the home of Mrs. A. V. Gaudry, conducted by the Rev. J. R. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser Carson, of Ste. Agathe, were guests of Mr. Carson and Miss Isobel Carson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. McCullough motored to Lachute on Monday, Miss Helen McCullough visiting at Mrs. Gaudry's.

LAST MINUTE THOUGHT!—An appropriate gift for your distant friend, a year's subscription to The Watchman.

Merry Christmas!

From the poems of John C. Colgan, writen prior to laying of the first trans-Atlantic cable.
—Submitted by a reader.

Tune : "We're the Noble Boys of Canada"

A Merry Christmas is the word
In every mouth so civil;
Don't you wish to make it merry
For the Printer and his Devil ?
The way to make it merry
Is to pay your dollar down;
And you'll have the Printer's blessing,
And avoid the Devil's frown.

Chorus :—We'll give you news impartially,
And at an early date—
Domestic — Foreign — well condensed;
Nor meddle church or state.

With your barley three and ninepence,
And your wheat as much again,
Would you grudge a paltry dollar
To the Printer and his men ?
Don't we send your children riddles
Of the very nicest kind ?
And the scholars have a column
To exercise their mind.
Chorus :— And we'll give you news.

Next August, when the rope is laid
From Galway to Quebec,
We'll give you all the latest news,
And send your answer back.
We'll tell you how the Fenians fought
To set their country free ;
Or we'll tell you why they didn't fight;
Just as the case may be.
Chorus :— And we'll give you news.

Then we'll give you all the funny news
From every foreign place ;
For those telegraphic cables
Circumscribe both time and place.
We'll whisper thro' the herring tube
In spite of Neptune's power,
And you'll know the world's market rates
In less than half an hour.
Chrous :— And we'll give you news.

ARUNDEL

Dr. Douglas Graham, of Victoria, B. C., is visiting his father, Mr. W. D. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Davis are leaving to spend the winter months in Montreal and Nova Scotia.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Union was held in the church hall, with Mrs. C. O. Bennett as hostess.

Mr. R. G. Cooke, of Westmount, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Swail and Mr. Robert Simon motored to Hudson Heights recently.

Friends of Mrs. Wm. Craig, Sr., and of Mr. James Dobbie are sorry to hear of their illness, and wish them a speedy recovery.

Miss Lillian Bennett spent the week-end in Montreal as the guest of Miss B. Forsyth.

The W. A. of Grace Church met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Gordon on Thursday last.

Mr. S. Aiken motored to Montreal to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Aiken.

Mr. Sandy Dewar, of Parent, Que., spent a few days visiting friends here after attending the funeral of his uncle, Mr. S. Shelley in Montreal.

Mr. Stuart Cooke spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mrs. C. J. Staniforth, accompanied by her granddaughter, Jane, has returned home after spending the past month in Montreal.

Mrs. J. P. Gordon and son, Harold, spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mrs. Margaret Boyd has returned home after spending the past two months in Lachute and Pine Hill, where she visited friends.

CUSHING WEST

Mrs. Jas. Harcourt, of New Glasgow, with her sons, Grant and Murray, spent the latter part of the week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pinkerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Keatley returned home on Friday, after spending the week at Mrs. Keatley's home in Arundel.

Mrs. D. Girling, who recently underwent a serious operation in the Notre Dame Hospital at Hawkesbury, and has since been convalescing at the home of her sister in Carillon, has arrived home. Mr. Girling, who has been employed during the past season on the lake boats, has also arrived home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pinkerton spent Friday last in the city.

Miss Muriel Tait and her pupils of No. 2 School are preparing a program for a Christmas Tree entertainment to be held in the school-house on Thursday evening.

Sheriff's Sale

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned LANDS and TENEMENTS have been seized, and will be sold at the respective times and places mentioned below.

CANADA
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
DISTRICT OF TERREBONNE.
SUPERIOR COURT
No. 5901

FIERI FACIAS DE TERRIS

ABBOTT JOSEPH OSCAR MAURICE, priest of the city and district of Montreal, plaintiff, vs OVILA THERRIEN, of the parish of Saint-Jovite, township of DeSalaberry, county and district of Terrebonne, defendant.

a) This part of the lot of land number four hundred and twenty-six (426) of the official plan and in the book of reference of the township of DeSalaberry, bounded to the north by the public road, to the south by the lands of the fifth range of the said township, to the east by the lot number four hundred and twenty-seven and to the west by the lands of the township of Clyde;

b) An emplacement forming part of the said lot of land number four hundred and twenty-six (426) of the official plan and in the book of reference of the township of DeSalaberry, containing this said emplacement, one hundred and seventy-five feet in front by fifty feet in depth, bounded in front to the south by the public road, to the west by the township of Clyde, and on the two other sides by the residue of the said lot number 426, with a house and dependencies thereon erected, as the whole is now, with the servitudes.

To be sold at the door of the Catholic parochial church of Saint-Jovite, WEDNESDAY, the TENTH day of JANUARY 1940, at TWO o'clock in the afternoon.

HORACE LIMOGES,
Sheriff.



BIBLES FOR BRITISH SOLDIERS

More than 30,000 Bibles, each containing a message from King George VI, are being printed for the British fighting services. The Bibles will have covers of three different colors, khaki for the soldiers, light blue for the air force, and dark blue for the sailors.

"The Cooky Lady" and Tim's Christmas Letter

PATSY liked to take her doll out in the sunny kitchen and watch Ann, the cook, roll out the cooky dough and cut round moons; then put them in a long pan ready for the oven. When they came out all smelly and warm Ann would put some on a paper plate for Patsy to eat. Ann had the nicest dimples when she smiled, and Patsy would smile right back at her and say: "Thank, you, Cooky lady."

Sometimes there were brown cookies and fruity ones, too, but the red and green candied ones that Ann made for Christmas were the very best of all. Patsy adored Ann. Through the seven short years of her life she had been her constant companion. Mother was just the lovely lady who was always busy with her clubs and going places, and Daddy was too busy at the office to be bothered much; but there was always Ann.

Patsy liked the nice postman, Tim, who came to see Ann and sometimes they all went to the movies together. Tim could play "pretend" almost as good as Ann. But once she heard him call Ann his best girl, and say: "Some day you're going to cook for me." After that she did not like him so well. Things seemed all wrong, and Santa hadn't answered her letter, and it was only two days till Christmas. She had said:"Please write soon," and that had been days ago. He must help quick, or it would be too late. Several times a day she would go to the mailbox and stand on tiptoe to look in for fear her letter had been overlooked.

"Here, Tim," said one of the office clerks, "is another of the kid letters to Santa Claus; guess this one's up to you." Printed in a childish scrawl on the envelope, Tim read: "Santa Claus, care of Tim." He drew out the folded paper. It read: "Dear Santa, please bring Tim another best girl cause Ann has to cook for us."

"Your friend, Patsy Reynolds."

Tim stared, then chuckled: "Santa, old boy, you're up against it this time."—Jocile Webb Pearson.

NOTICE

Alex Pariseau, Lachute Mills, announces that he will not be responsible for any debts incurred in his name after this date.
—D28-2p

NEW SUITINGS

WE ARE DISPLAYING A beautiful range of season's samples in all shades, and the newest designs . . . for your selection of material and choice of cut from our authentic 1939-40 designs.

LICOP BROS.
Custom Tailors
240 Main St., Lachute, Que.

BOY SCOUTS THE WORLD OVER



Organized, country-wide collection of wastepaper is one of the wartime contributions undertaken by the Boy Scouts of Great Britain.

SCOUTS GATHER ACORNS FOR THE GOV'T

An acorn gathering bee was a welcomed hike objective for Brantford Boy Scouts. The acorns were collected at Ebor Park, former Provincial Training Centre for Scout leaders, and were gathered for the Forestry Branch of the Provincial Government.

A MEDICAL EXAMINER'S TRIBUTE TO SCOUTS

The physical examination of young men called up for military service in England brought this tribute from a medical examiner associated with Scouting: "The Scouts I have examined were absolutely clean from the top of their heads to the soles of their feet, and their physique and bearing made me proud of the Scout Movement."

SANTA CLAUS' HELPERS AGAIN ON THE JOB

Boy Scouts in cities, towns and villages across Canada have been sawing, hammering, painting and reassembling discarded playthings in their Christmas Toy Repair Shops, their Dominion-wide good turn for Santa Claus. With this help in past years Old St. Nick has been able to take care of many thousands of children of needy families whom he might otherwise have missed on Christmas eve. Special attention this year is being given the families of men in military service. As usual the Girl Guides have been assisting with the dolls. In many places managers of movie theatres have given a Toy Shop Matinee, the admission to which was a new or a repairable old toy.

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To Every One :

May this Christmas, although beclouded with the sinister shadows of War, be blessed with quiet joy ! Let us pray the Child of Bethlehem that Canadians may forever, in security and freedom, enter their churches and gather their families to welcome the shining Star which, one Christmas night, guided the Three Wise Men !

This year has indeed brought sorrow, anxiety and disillusion to all true disciples of the Peacemaker, but it has also brought consolingly forward the birth of a sacred brotherhood amongst Christian nations, against paganism and international banditry.

1940 Will command sacrifice, denial and effort in a bitter task which we must face courageously. May Unity of purpose, Harmony between our various racial groups, Tolerance for the views of others, Freedom for everyone, be with us all, and let Peace and Justice finally ring !

The spirit of Christmas is with us. My sincere wish is that it may be a real, joyful Christmas to all the men and women of good will, but particularly to the children.

May everyone in Argenteuil enjoy a happy, peaceful, prosperous New Year.

—o—

A tous :

Que votre Noel soit joyeux, et que l'ombre sinistre de la Guerre ne vous effraie pas ! Remercions ensemble le Dieu de Bethléem qui a permis qu'en notre pays, nous puissions en toute liberté assister à la Messe de Minuit et nous joindre au cercle de notre famille pendant ces heureux jours !

Les évènements terribles survenus durant l'année qui s'achève, ont semé l'anxiété, la crainte dans bien des esprits, mais par ailleurs, ils ont forçé les peuples chrétiens à serrer les rangs et se rapprocher du Divin Maitre, le seul véritable Arbitre des nations et des peuples.

L'année qui s'en vient apportera de nouveaux sacrifices pour chacun d'entre nous. Que l'Unité, l'Harmonie, la Liberté demeurent avec nous, et puisse une Paix chrétienne et durable se signer bientôt !

Ne perdons jamais le véritable esprit de Noel et gardons-le précieusement avec nous durant toute l'année à venir afin qu'elle soit pour tous une année de Paix, de Bonheur et de Prospérité.

—Georges H. Héon

VANDAL MAN

Barren the hills and barren the plains
Swept by the winds and washed by the rains,
Gone from the earth the wonderful shade
The kindliest thing that God ever made.
Gone the glory that once we knew,
Beautiful trees that the vandal slew.

Gone are the haunts of our childhood hours
Where grew the lowly woodland flowers.
Bits of love by their Maker given,
Who perfumed them with a breath from heaven.
Vandal Man, you know they are gone
No love for flowers in a heart of stone.

Gone are the birds that once we knew
That lived in the trees you know you slew.
In exile they sought a shelter from death
They had to fly from the wintry breath.
Vandal Man, you drove them away
No love for birds in a heart of clay.

Gone are rivers, for one by one
Their life's blood dried in the summer sun.
Tombstones of granite sullen and gray
Mark the course where they purled their way.
Vandal Man, you know it is true
The river dried when the trees you slew.

Vandal Man, do you know there's a land,
Where wild birds sing and flowers bloom,
Where palm trees shade the sunny strand,
And rivers chant in the evening's gloom ?
But angels guard its gates so fair,
And Vandals cannot enter there.

By Henry J. Moore

Do You Remember ?

Incidents in the Local News, 1939

— Extracted from files of The Watchman

JAN. 4—The annual report of the Lachute Fire Department, submitted to the Town Council, shows lowest figure of fire loss on record.

JAN. 4—Mayor Rodrigue and five aldermen complete term of office.

JAN. 8—Rev. Henry Cousens, B.A., B.D., minister of Margaret Rodger Presbyterian Church, terminates his ministry here to assume charge of Brockville Presbyterian Church.

JAN. 8—Local man is carbon monoxide victim at Ste. Scholastique. Two men met their death by asphyxciation in garage of Legault and Fils. The victims are Stanislas Legault and Lucien Braney.

JAN. 25—W. S. MacKimmie acclaimed Mayor of Lachute, succeeding Dr. A. Rodrigue, who has held the office for two years.

JAN. 27—The home of Gordon Doig a farmhouse about five miles east of Lachute, is destroyed by fire. Mrs. Doig rescues her three-year old daughter from the flames.

FEB. 12—Collapsing during morning mass at the Ste. Anastasie Parish Church, Miss Bernadette Dennault, of St. Andrews East, dies before medical aid can be summoned.

FEB. 16—A severe blow to the Protestant community of Lachute, as stately United Church is destroyed by fire. While the resources of the fire brigade are mustered at the church fire, another outbreak occurs at the dwelling of Wilfrid Morrisette, Bedard Boulevard.

FEB. 19—A "dry-sleet" blizzard Sunday night interrupts highway travel between Lachute and St. Hermas; many week-enders are held up all night.

MARCH 2—George Héon, M.P. for Argenteuil, is paid high recognition by the Conservative Party, in his appointment to the Public Accounts and Radio Committees at Ottawa.

MARCH 5—Lachute wins Mount Royal Intermediate Hockey title in 90-minute conflict with St. Lambert.

MARCH 23—A well known townsman and station agent of the C. N. R. here, Melchior Roby, leaves to assume duties at St. Jerome; a deserved promotion after 29 years' service in this town.

MARCH 24—While excavating white rock in the mine at Kilmar, Emo Lihvansen, a miner, is killed by rockslide.

MARCH 31—In large numbers, the congregation of the Margaret Rodger Presbyterian Church turn out to welcome their new pastor, the Rev. E. Orsborn.

APRIL 3—New post office at St. Andrews is opened.

APRIL 14—A satisfactory year's record reviewed by the Hundred Club at the annual supper and meeting. Linton W. Armstrong is elected president.

APRIL 14—J. H. Beaudin, bank manager of Brownsburg Banque Provinciale, dies suddenly while working at his desk.

APRIL 20—A mahogany brass-bound medicine chest, which was looted from the White House, Washington when the city was routed by the British in 1814, is returned to President Roosevelt by Mr. Archibald Kains.

APRIL 24—A verdict of suicide while in a state of mental derangement is returned by a jury here in the case of Joseph Muldowan.

APRIL 27—Death claims son of Argenteuil historian, Arthur Hallam Thomas, who at one time lived in Carillon and St. Andrews. He died in the Palmer Memorial Hospital, Boston.

APRIL 28—Editors from Ontario and Quebec visit nearby beauty spots, Chateau Laurier and Seigniory Club. R. A. Giles is elected president of the association.

MAY 9—Better schools for Grenville-Calumet neighborhood. The school board of Grenville No. 1 held a meeting to discuss the improvement of local school conditions.

MAY 10—Heavy losses by fires in the neighboring towns of St. Andrews East and Grenville. A store belonging to Mr. C. W. Lamb, St. Andrews, where the village library was operated, is destroyed by fire; and a Grenville building on Main Street is also consumed by a blaze.

MAY 12—Colors are presented to the Brownsburg Branch, No. 71, of the Canadian Legion, by Mr. Geo. Héon, M.P.

MAY 12—Montreal greets Their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth. A hundred school children from Lachute motor to the city to see the Royal couple.

MAY 20—An accident which might have had a less happy ending, were it it not for the prompt action of Miss Jeanette Wales, occurs in the North River at St. Andrews. Miss Wales plunges to the assistance of K. Heindrik, exhausted in the water after his canoe has upset.

MAY 30—Traffic Officer Jones and three witnesses from this locality appear in a Montreal police court to testify against Lionel Larocque and a companion, who are given sentences of three years for automobile theft.

JUNE 5—A meeting of the Argenteuil Medical Association is held, and a decision made to approach the Lachute Town Council to ask for compulsory pasteurization.

JUNE 14—In pursuit of a runaway horse Ben Hammond, well known farmer, falls to the pavement when jumping from a car and suffers broken collar bone.

JUNE 15—The Rev. R. L. Ballantyne, D.D., retires from the ministry and from the Presbyterian Church at St. Andrews East.

JUNE 17—A tragic mishap on St. Joseph Street, Brownsburg. Allan Thomas Steele, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Steele, is struck by a Boyd's Express truck and sustains injuries to which he later succumbs in a Montreal hospital.

JUNE 21—R. McArthur and Son, plumbers and steamfitters, celebrate 50th anniversary of their establishment in Lachute.

JUNE 24—The Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Mines, officially dedicates historical museum at Carillon.

JULY 4—Swift death on the highway claims a young cyclist, Harry Carpenter, aged 18.

JULY 4—Bishop Carlisle guest preacher at the hundredth anniversary of Trinity Church, Lakefield.

JULY 6—The victim of an enraged bull, John Moore, 77-year-old Mille Isles resident, is found gored and trampled to death.

JULY 8—A double drowning tragedy at Bevan Lake, near Weir, when William J. Babe and Mrs. Florence Robertson lose their lives.

JULY 12—Orange celebration held in the Lachute exhibition grounds; over 2,000 join in the festivities.

JULY 13—A severe storm in the Buckingham section does considerable damage; lightning strikes several barns, killing livestock.

JULY 23—The Farmers' Supply Company, Lachute, is robbed; the loss being estimated at around $40.

JULY 28—Public vote opposes chlorination of water. Lack of interest seen in Lachute referendum on important issue.

JULY 31—Theodore Gauthier, 57-year-old farmer of St. Canut, and his 22-year-old son, Henri, are instantly killed when struck by lightning during a fierce electrical storm.

JULY 27—Morris Bates, 17, popular young high school pupil, loses his life while bathing in the Rouge River.

AUG. 11—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nixon, Grenville North, is destroyed by fire.

AUG. 13—The Morin Heights-Ste. Agathe highway rendered impassable by a washout, during a heavy rain storm that swept this area.

AUG. 20—Car crashes through Rouge River Bridge, and motorists have miraculous escape. Fred Gauley, of Kilmar, his wife and friends, are occupants of the car, which falls 30 feet onto rocks below.

AUG. 21—An inspiring event in the religious life of this community takes place in the laying of the corner-stone of the new Lachute United Church. Rt. Rev. Dr. J. W. Woodside officiates.

AUG. 26—Loss of over $5,000 sustained when the farm buildings of William Watson, Lachute Road, are destroyed by fire.

SEPT. 3—Great Britain and Canada fight aggresion. The outbreak of war in Europe finds Canada united in its determination to co-operate with Britain.

SEPT. 5—The 1939-40 school year commencement, with honors awarded to the year's prize winners.

SEPT. 9—Geo. Héon, M.P., takes commendable stand on Canada's participation in war. Interprets French-Canadian attitude in Commons speech, submerging Nationalistic ideals for duration of the war.

SEPT. 14—At the regular quarterly meeting of the County Council, Mayor C. J. Staniforth, of Arundel, is elected County Warden.

SEPT. 25—Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McPhail celebrate golden wedding anniversary.

OCT. 1—New church in the Parish of St. Julien is consecrated by Mgr. A. E. Deschamps, bishop auxiliary of Montreal.

OCT. 4—Hartland Murdoch, 18 months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Perley Murdoch, Lachute, is run over by a car, the wheel passing over his head, but the youngster miraculously escapes serious injury.

OCT. 10—Using a stick of dynamite and a detonator, Edmund Tasse, 22, caretaker at the summer premises of Father Gagnon, near Sixteen Island Lake, takes his own life.

OCT. 17—Columbus Day, highlight in the calendar of the Knights of Columbus, is marked by a banquet in the Auditorium.

OCT. 25—Georges Dansereau, Argenteiul M.P.P., retains his seat with big majority, as Liberals are swept into power.

NOV. 9—Supporters of George Dansereau and friends among both parties are gratified in his appointment to the Godbout cabinet.

NOV. 11—Lt.-Col. R. L. Calder speaks before a large gathering at Armistice Day Service in the Auditorium.

NOV. 13—George Gain and Bryant Townsend have narrow escape as McRae Service truck is struck by train at Barron Avenue crossing.

NOV. 20—Two employees of the C-I-L plant at Brownsburg, David Tomalty, 53, and Donat Mailhot, 41, fatally injured in a powder explosion.

NOV. 21—Four units of the Red Cross in Lachute District raise $9,360 in campaign for funds.

DEC. 3—Congregation holds first worship in new Lachute United Church building. Memorial gifts consecrated with fitting ceremony.

DEC. 1—Hon. Geo. Dansereau feted at banquet in Auditorium attended by a large gathering of men from all sections of the county.

DEC. 1—Knights of Columbus launch campaign for Army Huts as special war effort.

DEC. 7—Hi-jacking, technique of highway robbery, makes appearance in these parts. Boyd's Express victimized second time within a few weeks.

DEC. 8—Shuffle in council of Wentworth Township. Three councillors resign and are replaced by new appointees.

DEC. 12—Prominent speaker, Dr. E. S. Archibald, director of Ottawa Experimental Farm, addresses annual assembly of Laurentian Ayrshire Breeders' Club.

To Readers, Correspondents and Advertisers ——

Sincere Christmas Greetings

from the publishers and staff of

THE LACHUTE WATCHMAN



Sincere Greetings

Once more the Christmas Season is with us, and it gives me pleasure to extend to the electors of Argenteuil County the heartiest of Christmas Greetings, and all good wishes for the New Year that will soon dawn upon us.

May I express my thanks to the people of this county for the confidence they have reaffirmed in me during the past year. I duly appreciate this honor, and, similarly, my subsequent appointment to the Quebec Cabinet under Premier Adelard Godbout — which I feel is not purely a personal honor but an added prestige to the constituency of Argenteuil.

The condition of war inflicts hardship. Yet, as it stimulates its related branches of industry, it also betters temporarily the lot of workers in those industries. . . .And it is obvious that, in a personal way, each and every citizen must contribute his best to the morale and progress of his country in this difficult period. — As always, in my capacity as your provincial representative, I stand ready and willing to perform the duties confronting me for the best interests of Argenteuil and the Province of Quebec, and I hope that the approaching year, though it opens under evil omens, may end in peace and renewed happiness.

I trust also that, during the coming year, my time and interests devoted to your service may be instrumental in furthering local benefits, and may fully justify the confidence which you have placed in me.

—o—

Meilleurs Souhaits

Une fois de plus la saison des fêtes est revenue, et me fournit l'heureuse occasion de présenter aux électeurs du comté d'Argenteuil mes bons souhaits de Noel et du Nouvel An.

Je tiens, à nouveau, à remercier la population d'Argenteuil du magnifique témoignage d'estime et de confiance qu'elle m'a donné au cours de l'année écoulée. Ma nomination de Ministre dans la Cabinet Godbout est un hommage rendu non seulement à moi-même mais à la population et aux électeurs de ce comté.

La guerre nous amène son cortège habituel de misères et de souffrances. Cependant, en autant qu'elle suscite un regain d'activité industrielle, elle aide les ouvriers employés dans ces industries. Souhaitons que chacun accepte cette guerre généreusement. C'est notre guerre à tous; notre devoir, à tous, de contribuer dans la mesure de notre capacité, à son succès pour l'honneur, la sauvegarde et les intérêts du Canada.

Je puis vous renouveler, en ma qualité de député et de ministre, l'assurance de mon entier dévouement aux intérêts de ce comté, de la province, du pays.

J'espère que cette nouvelle année qui commence dans des heures si tragiques, se terminera dans un atmosphère de paix et de bonheur.

J'espère qu'au cours de la nouvelle année j'aural de nouveau le plaisir de mettre à votre disposition mon temps et mes services pour le bénéfice de la population du Comté d'Argenteuil et qu'ainsi j'aural l'occasion de justifier la confiance que vous avez placée en moi.

—Georges E. Dansereau

THE KEEPER OF THE INN

By Charles Hanson Towne

He did not know whom he had turned away !
There was no room that night in Bethlehem,
And so two pilgrims sought the kine and hay—
Alas ! There was no other place for them.

The keeper of the inn closed fast his door
And greeted all the guests who filled his house.
"I have no room," he said, "for any more,"
As on the hearth he laid green olive boughs.

He did not know ! . . . And since then, I and you
Close the heart's door, unmindful of His plea.
Ah ! Like the keeper of the inn, we, too,
Snap bolt and bar, and turn the heavy key !

—Good Housekeeping

LAURENTIAN SKI TOWS TOTAL 23,750 FEET

In a listing of Laurentian ski-tows provided by the Canadian Pacific Railway, it has been discovered that you could employ the various ski-tows of the Laurentians to cover roughly five miles of skiing.

Naturally you'd have to chase around a bit to locate the various mechanical hill mounters, but if they were all placed end to end you could travel 23,750 feet, 4.48 miles, with the minimum expenditure of effort.

And 17 ski-tows to start operation soon in the Laurentians, would lift you a total distance of 6,248 feet, approximately 1.18 miles.

The Captain's Christmas Call

— *By H. Glyn Owen*

"On your call to Vancouver, we are ready. Go ahead, please !"

The Captain wondered why the Ottawa telephone operator almost invariably sounded like Sunshine Susie. He was sure that the Girl with the Golden Voice would be more sympathetic to his troubles than his wife; but then, he reflected, after he had let his hair down, the operator would understand him as well as his wife did, and would become equally unfeeling. So he merely sighed as the circuit closed.

"Hello," said a small, cool voice in the receiver.

The Captain ran his finger round the collar of his khaki shirt — which fitted him perfectly, as a matter of fact — and cleared his throat nervously.

"Hello," he said.

"Hello !" said the voice, betraying signs of impatience.

The Captain took the hint. Something must be done to break the deadlock. He moistened his lips, and plunged in to the heart of the matter.

"It's me, dear," he said meekly.

"I see." It was clear that the voice was as blind as Finnegan's Alley.

The Captain wriggled his toes unhappily.

"It's Andy."

"Then why in heaven's name didn't you say so in the first place ?" inquired the voice, reasonably enough. "Is it a military secret ?"

There was a pause as the voice gathered its forces to take up the White Woman's Burden — making up for the inarticulateness of the male.

"Did you call me just to wish me 'Merry Christmas', even though you're going to be here tomorrow. Why Andy, how sweet of you !"

"That's just it," The Captain seized his opportunity to set the ball of calamity rolling. "I shan't be home at all."

There was silence at the other end of the line. Then—

"But darling — why ?" the voice wailed. "And especially tomorrow night when we're having our party as you very well know and what will Susan Randolph think when you're not here for Christmas after being away so long. You know that woman has been telling people right along that you joined the army just to get away from me . . ."

"I'm terribly sorry, Elizabeth, but it's this way . . ."

"Yes ?"

Into that monosyllable the Captain's overheated imagination read — quite incorrectly — a wealth of sarcasm. He remembered cartoons of wives sitting there, one foot tapping ominously, and settling into the celebrated "That's - not - one - of - your - better - efforts - Andy - remember - that - Art - is - plausibility" moods. There was desperation in his voice as he shouted :

"But you've simply got to believe me, Elizabeth. — Some highly important papers which were in my files are missing, and if they aren't found by tonight, it'll be curtains for me. It means everything. Don't you understand ?"

"Don't you shout at me, Andy ! I'm not deaf, and you're not Hitler !"

At this comparison to a neurotic windbag, the Captain's gorge rose a full six inches. The voice could hear him swelling inside his tightly-fitting tunic, and it smiled to itself. All right, Andy; you'll feel better in a minute; and then I'll have to get you out of the mess you're in — as usual.

And Andy's muttered, "Sorry, Elizabeth," proved that she had been right. The voice wasted no time.

"Now about those papers, Andy," it said, ignoring both his wrath and apology. "Knowing you, I shouldn't be at all surprised to find them lying on your desk in plain sight right now. Have you checked up to see that you didn't clean out your pipe on top of them ?"

"The whole staff ransacked my quarters from top to bottom," reported the Captain, with gloomy relish. "That particular file was locked up before I left home. I had occasion to look for the papers the other day only. They were stolen all right, not mislaid, and if I don't get the culprit before this evening . . ."

"Then it must have been the Colonel," said the voice positively. "I never did like that man. Horrid red face, and always fuming like an overheated radiator. Left his liver in Burma. And he'll blame it on you !"

"If it is the Colonel, all the more reason why I shan't be home for Christmas," said the Captain morosely.

"Oh, I do wish you were somewhere nearby, so that I could help you," said the voice. "I've been on tenterhooks wondering how you were getting along by yourself. I'll bet you haven't been wearing those winter undies I packed for you." (The Captain squirmed). "By the way, just before you left, I found one of your precious envelopes on the mantel, and put it inside one pair, so that you'd be sure to find it, and I don't suppose you've as much as looked at the things. It was a blue envelope, and I . . ."

"A blue envelope ?" The Captain broke the standing broadjump record as he leaped to his feet. "Are you sure ? But honey-lamb, that's them!"

He banged the telephone on the inkwell, dashed across the room, slithered to a halt, dashed back again, and grabbed up the instrument once more —

"Oh you angel !" crooned the Captain tenderly into the mouthpiece, and tore away again as the voice wailed,

"It's what, darling ? Do explain yourself. Oh that man !"

But the Captain had flung open his trunk and was pawing feverishly through his belongings. He grabbed up a pair of woollens and shook out their somewhat voluminous folds. (He stood six feet four in his socks). Out fluttered a blue manila envelope, and in a moment the Captain held the missing papers in his grasp.

It was a good ten seconds before the squawking of the telephone attracted his attention. Picking it up he murmured : "Honey chile, there is a Santa Claus, only he's called Long Distance. There is a Spirit of Christmas, too, and it's you, angel ! I'm coming home by 'plane — and it won't be fast enough !"

"Why Andy !" said the voice.

Journey to Bethlehem Not Like Today's Travel

ACCUSTOMED to our swift and modern transportation, it is difficult to visualize the hardships of that journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, or the great fatigue and weariness suffered by Mary and Joseph. Consternation filled their hearts at the decree of Caesar; yet there was nothing to do but obey the summons. They must make the long, tiresome journey and at once!"

No shining motor car waited outside their gate; no silver-winged plane stood throbbing in a nearby field; not even the meanest ox-cart was available. While others rode by in gorgeous caravans, a patient little donkey was their only means of transportation. We can imagine the tall and bearded Joseph leading the animal along, glancing back every now and then with words of cheer and encouragement for Mary, or pointing out some landmark along the way.

Behind them now was the Sea of Galilee and Mt. Tabor. Through the plain of Estraleon they labored; then came the rough and uneven trail through Samaria, where even the sure-footed donkey stumbled at times. To the west, the Jordan ran its course, to empty farther south into the Dead sea. Along their way they passed many places whose names would be known and revered around the world in the dim future . . . Did Mary have a vision as she went by that one day the Son whom she was about to bear would go up and down this country preaching a new Gospel of love and peace and hope for man, and that His birth would be held in happy and blessed remembrance by all the peoples of the earth until time would be no more?—Katherine Edelman.

Unwrapping Christmas Annual Family Program

YULETIDE has come around again and it is time to take Christmas from its year-long wrappings.

At our house we have a wardrobe trunk in one of whose drawers repose all year the Christmas tree ornaments, some table decorations, napkins and favors left from the children's party, bright papers and ribbons salvaged from the last-minute rush to wrap and mail or hoarded from Aunt Louise's gift package, which is always an outward marvel.

Through Easter, Fourth of July, Halloween, Thanksgiving, they have lain forlorn and unwanted, these remnants of Christmas. But now we open the drawer with as lively excitement as if we had never seen its contents. "Mother, did you know we still had this big silver star?" "Why, here's enough icicles to trim the whole tree!" "Where did these bluebird ornaments come from?"

The light circuit doesn't work—and sister, who has just come from her schoolroom, must dash downtown before the stores close for new bulbs. Then everybody hangs over big brother's shoulder while he patiently determines which of the old bulbs have failed. When the whole set flashes on we all feel like Thomas Edison discovering the marvels of light.

There are even a few unused Christmas cards for a starter on the long list. The baby finds a tin horn, and the hilarious fun that will carry on till Christmas morning has begun. Somewhere in this jumble of familiar things we have unwrapped Christmas. And the best Christmas present of all is Christmas itself!—Frances Grinstead.

RED A CHEERY COLOR.

Red is regarded as the most cheerful of all colors. It is said to react the most quickly on the optic nerve. Decorations available at the winter solstice include holly, the berries of which are red. It grew to be the custom to use holly and berries of a similar nature in preparing for the festival of Christmas. By virtue of the association of ideas red came to be connected with the Christmas season.

CRITICS OF ADVERTISING

—Frank Parker Stockbridge

Every once in a while somebody comes out with a book or magazine article trying to tell people that advertising is an economic waste; that if it wasn't for the cost of advertising they could buy things cheaper. The precise opposite happens to be true, as every publisher and every advertiser knows. If it wasn't for advertising no concern could do a large enough volume of business to sell its products at reasonable prices.

Some of these same wrong-headed critics contend that newspapers are under the domination of advertisers. I've run several newspapers, and have studied the inner workings of the business for years. I've never encountered an instance of a newspaper adapting its editorial policy to the whims of advertisers.

One newspaper I worked on had a large advertiser who disliked the paper's attitude on a certain matter and pulled out his daily full page advertisement. A year later he offered advertising copy again and the publisher refused to let him into the paper.

Making History in Argenteuil

Extracted from the Fyles of The Watchman

60 Years Ago

Friday, December 19, 1879

They are putting up cooked oatmeal at Lachute Mills in cans, the same as canned fruit, fish, etc., and it is said to be in demand owing to its always being ready for table use, by simply warming it.

Mr. Holiday, principal of Lachute College, informs us that he has received a letter from the secretary of the Governor General informing him that it is the intention of His Excellency to present a bronze medal, to be competed for by the pupils.

The grand posters which are put up all over this county are 5½ feet long by 3 feet wide, in three colors; they were printed at the Watchman Office.

There is a movement among the laity of the Church of England to secure lay representation in the convocation — a reform much needed to make these bodies as progressive as well as useful.

During the fore part of the week, 17 car-loads of turkeys and geese passed over the Canada Central Railway for New York and Boston.

25 Years Ago

Friday, December 18, 1914

Brownsburg — Mr. John Mack has received the sad news that two of his sons have been killed in the war while fighting with the British Army in France.

We are pleased to note that among the applications sent in for the cavalry of the 3rd Contingent are the names of three officers from the 17th Duke of York's Royal Canadian Hussars — Capt. Copeland and Lieutenants E. Todd and H. Dawson.

"Canada is united in the strong conviction that our cause is just, and in an unflinching determination to make it triumphant. This appalling conflict was not of Britain's seeking. Having entered upon it, there is but one duty, to stand firmly united in an inflexible resolve to face it to a victorious and honorable conclusion". —R. L. Borden.

Mr. W. S. MacKimmie expects to have the rink in readiness for skating on Saturday evening next.

Robin Hood Died Christmas Eve.

That it was on Christmas Eve in the year 1247 that a certain daring son of a noble house, one "Robin Hood," bid good-by to his doughty comrade, "Little John," and breathed his last beneath the ancient oaks that witnessed their bold escapades.

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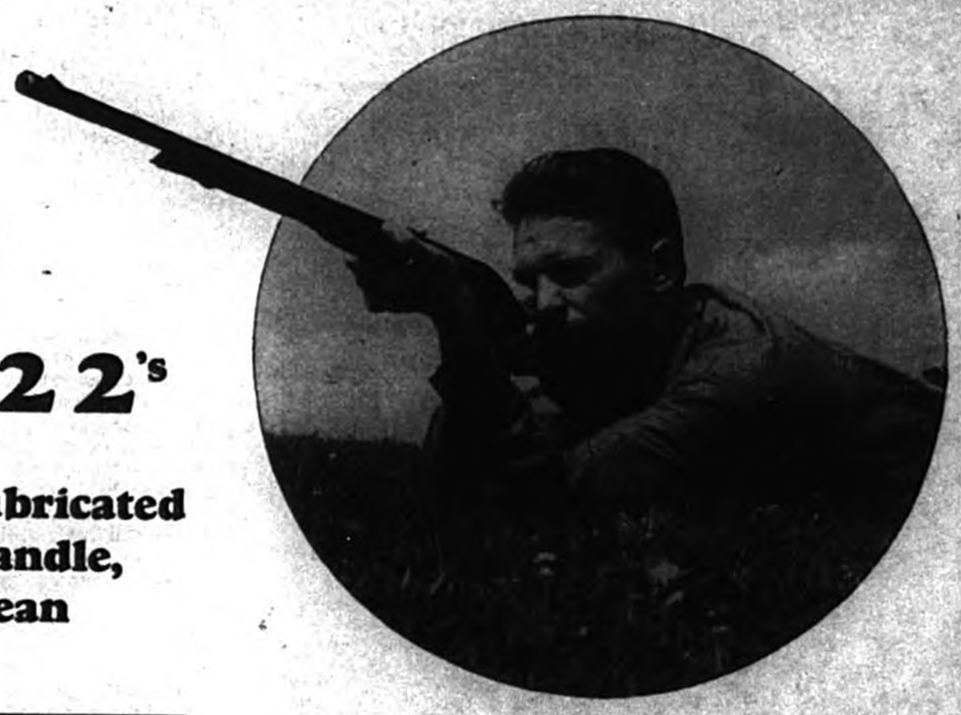
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Canadians Take Naturally To Shooting

CANADIANS should, and do, take naturally to shooting. Descendants of pioneers who lived by the rifle, they have made shooting a great national sport. They live in one of the few civilized countries in the world where opportunities for hunting abound. From coast to coast, in every province, they are surrounded by invitations to participate in the grandest of all outdoor sports.

By well-planned game conservation Canada may hope to remain a sportsman's paradise for many years to come. But one thing she cannot do. She cannot permanently retain vast wildernesses at the very doorsteps of her cities. Constantly frontiers are being pushed backwards. Where yesterday's buffalo herds roamed, cities stand today. Where moose and deer wandered undisturbed a few short years ago, are small booming towns, sprawling factories, mills and mines and cultivated farms. What were once apparently limitless forests are yielding to the woodsman's axe. The growth of centuries is being transformed into lumber, newsprint, rayon and "Cellophane" to serve a growing civilization. The happy hunting grounds are growing ever more remote.

With this changing picture comes a change in a sport that is older than Canada. For the marksman, man or woman, boy or girl, who loves the thrill of a shot well and truly aimed needs no living target. They find pleasure in matching their skill with rifle or shotgun against the skill of others or in shooting "solo" for the pure pleasure of testing the keenness of their eyes, the steadiness of muscles and the perfect co-ordination of bodies that are physically fit.

As shifting frontiers have made the hunting grounds more distant, Canadians have taken more and more to target shooting, trapshooting, and, more recently, Skeet. Here they find new sports that are thrilling in themselves and, at the same time, provide perfect practice for the hunter who is now compelled by distance to confine his hunting to annual vacations. Summer and winter, fair weather or foul, they can indulge in a hobby that brings them pleasure and health and good fellowship.

More than twenty years ago the shooting enthusiasts of Canada were banded together in a nation-wide organization designed to increase national interest in a great and growing sport and promote the feeling of fellowship among the legion of sportsmen who take pride in their aim. The organization was founded in 1916 and was known as "Dominion Marksmen". The enthusiasm with which it was greeted everywhere gave early indications that its name was well chosen and that it soon would be thoroughly representative of sportsmen from coast to coast



Awards offered in Dominion Marksmen .22 Sporting Rifle Competitions include these sterling silver teaspoons. The pin (shown actual size) is awarded in bronze, silver and gold.

Dominion Marksmen in its two decades of existence has accomplished even more than it set out to do. Today its activities surpass the fondest dreams of its founders. Its members include men and women, of all ages and of all classes. It has taken the careless boy and his rifle from the streets, where targets were too often tin cans and transmission line insulators, and introduced him to organized shooting in proper surroundings. It has developed a sense of brotherhood among marksmen and provided opportunities for clean sport to thousands who might never have enjoyed them. It has placed Canadians in a high place amongst the marksmen of the world, with shooters from Canada capturing Empire and international awards in a number far out of proportion to Canada's population.

In twenty years thousands of Canadians have enrolled in this Dominion-wide body. Among them have been leaders in business and finance and the professions. Many have commenced their association at the age of twelve or thirteen years. Many of them are far past middle-age. Today it would be difficult to find a city or town in Canada which does not boast at least one group of sportsmen in this fraternity of marksmen.

For any man or boy, woman or girl, who finds pleasure in shooting there is a welcome place in this national brotherhood. The applicants will find but one general rule — the rule of good sportsmanship. Whether shooting an inexpensive sporting rifle or the finest target rifle, whether setting sights on a standing target or testing speed and aim at Trap or Skeet, each will enjoy the fellowship of thousands of sportsmen who find in shooting, the supreme thrill, the sport in which every man's a king.



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Anyone Can Shoot!

MANY of the leading photographers started out with inexpensive cameras. In target shooting many of the best scores today are made by a man or boy who started out with a five dollar rifle. For it's the determination to succeed that counts.

Realizing that many Canadians are enthusiastic about shooting as a sport but do not possess expensive equipment, Dominion Marksmen in 1935 organized a new series of competitions for anyone old enough to use a .22 calibre sporting rifle. Based on the same plans as other competitions, this new series attracted immediate, nation-wide interest and enthusiasm. Since then, more than 2,250 clubs were formed with a total of some 24,000 members. Sporting Rifle Competitions already held give evidence of a keenness and skill equal to that shown in other Dominion Marksmen competitions and the enthusiasm of this new group of shooters is unexcelled.

In arranging the Sporting Rifle Competitions, Dominion Marksmen had the same chief purpose in view as in arranging their original competitions for schoolboys throughout Canada. The principal function of the competition was to assemble the unorganized boy shooters, take them from the streets and fields where their shooting might become a menace and organize them into groups with proper supervision and safe shooting conditions. This plan had succeeded in the target rifle competitions in school and cadet corps but, obviously, there were some boys attending schools where no cadet corps or clubs were organized and they were thus deprived of the opportunities given to those attending other schools, or institutions.

On that basis plans for the competition were originally drawn up, but it was realized that there were very many adult shooters in Canada who would appreciate an opportunity to engage in similar organized competitions. The plan was therefore enlarged to accommodate men and women as well as boys. The results of this extended policy have proved the wisdom of the plan. Parents and sons now engage in shooting competitions together. Boys appreciate the opportunity to compete with adults and young and old are enthusiastic competitors.

Competitions are open to any shooter who registers with Dominion Marksmen. Five or more shooters in any part of Canada may form a group simply by meeting, selecting a Club name, appointing a secretary and notifying Dominion Marksmen headquarters. Registration cards are then sent to the group secretary and targets will be supplied without charge. No charge is made by Dominion Marksmen for affiliation and it is not necessary for a competitor to own the rifle he uses.

Competitions are conducted by mail and the regulations are extremely simple. Firing may be done from various regulation shooting positions with ten shots to be fired at each target. Targets must be fired in the presence of at least two witnesses who shall be members of the group and who will sign the targets, in addition to the competitor.

Awards offered in this competition include a bronze pin for five targets scoring 80 or over out of 100 at 20 yards; a silver pin for bronze pin winners who score ten targets of 93 or better out of 100; a gold pin for silver pin winners scoring ten targets of 98 or better out of 100. Dominion Marksmen silver teaspoons are awarded to shooters who have already won gold awards and who send in ten targets scoring 100 out of 100.

To those expert marksmen who have secured their bronze, silver and gold Maple Leaf pins, and also six teaspoons, Dominion Marksmen offers the "Expert" shield as an emblem of the highest achievement in .22 sporting rifle shooting. Groups registered in this competition are eligible to enter teams in the annual Dominion Marksmen provincial and dominion team championship competitions held in the latter part of the summer. Handsome championship Challenge Shields are awarded to winning teams and arm badges are awarded to the team members.

In these organized competitions father may shoot and compete with son. Many old-time shooters are thus able to guide their boys in learning the rudiments of shooting and to teach them respect for their rifles, details of their care and safety in their use. The boys are also introduced at first hand to the comradeship of shooting and made to feel that they are members of a nation-wide organization.



The highly prized "Expert" Shield awarded in the Dominion Marksmen .22 Sporting Rifle Competitions.

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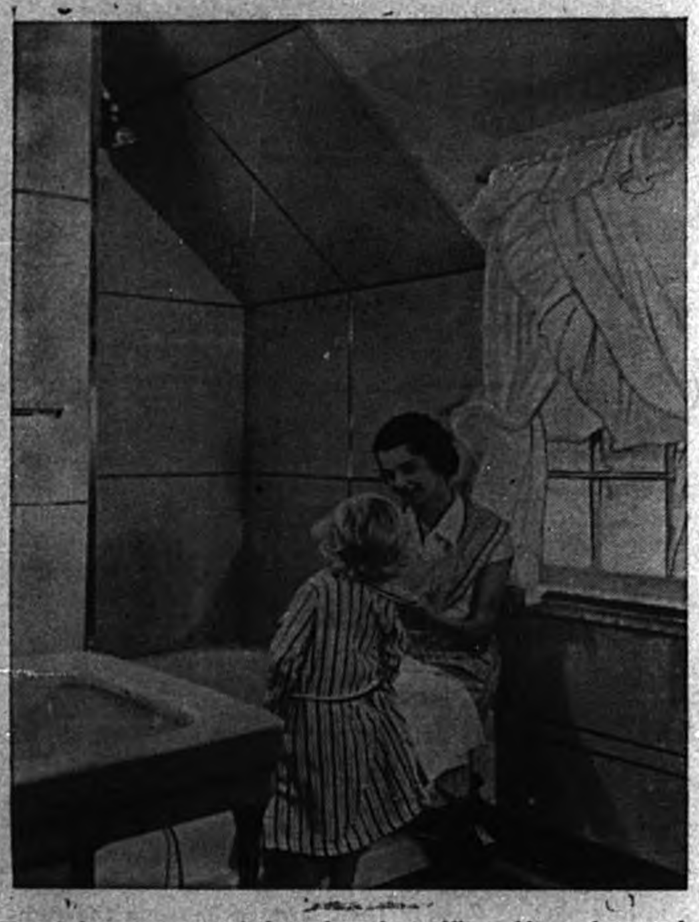
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1939-Style Christmas Gift



Here is how one young father solves the traffic problems of a crowded household and at the same time the problem of what to give his family for Christmas — he discovered a place where an extra bathroom could be installed. According to W. M. Cottingham of the Cottingham Supply Company, Johns-Manville distributors, such home improvements are becoming increasingly popular as Christmas gifts.

Home Improvements A New Departure in Gifts

The building industry is taking a lesson from department stores this Christmas — and is furnishing new bathrooms, new kitchens, attics and basement rooms and even new houses "wrapped up as a gift", according to a spokesman for the Cottingham Supply Company, Johns-Manville distributors here.

The new venture of the industry results from the trend of "packaged" modernization studied by the National Housing Guild. The Guild system coordinates the work of dealers, contractors, architects, financing agencies and others and makes possible a "one-stop" service for all building.

Husbands can now walk into a building material dealer's office, and find out in short order how much a new bathroom, kitchen or other improvement will cost; how it will look; how long it will take to finish, and how, through the H. I. P. or other monthly payment plans, the work can be financed. In other words, the home improvement can be bought exactly like any other gift and be sure of an even happier reception than most others.

"In the universal desire to give something permanent, beautiful and useful, needed home improvements have too often been neglected because of the difficulty of purchasing and installing them", said an official of the Cottingham Supply Company. "Today, with costs in the modernization field low, with excellent workmen available because of the season, and with financing available on a truly sound basis, these reasons for postponing improvements no longer hold good.

"Within a range of some 60 packages is virtually every major home improvement needed in the average home, including new exteriors, insulation, wall, ceiling and floor surfaces and home equipment, each providing increased property values, added comfort and beauty and decreased upkeep costs. There is perhaps no average home in Lachute or in the entire nation built before 1930 that is not in need of one or more of these packages".

CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Symbolic of the Star Seen by Wise Men In the East.

The candle is the true symbol of Christmas. Its flickering taper shining on the sill of the city house or the country cottage sends out the message of "peace on earth" quite as much as the chime of Christmas bells. No Christmas tree is complete until the candles, whether of wax or of electric lights, have been fastened to its boughs.

A charming elderly lady gives each child in the neighborhood every year a "Twelfth Night" candle. This is a very large cathedral candle, which is to be lighted on Christmas eve and placed on the window-sill set in a wreath of holly and so placed that its flame burns at the center of a Christmas wreath hanging in the window. It is then kept burning every evening until the eve of Twelfth Night, January 5th. The Twelfth Night eve, the unburned portion of the candle and all the Christmas greens are placed in the open fireplace and consumed, this ending the Christmas season.

The significance of this pretty rite is as follows: The candle is symbolic of the star which the wise men saw in the East, and it is kept shining through the twelve days during which the wise men were following the star on their journey to the manager where the young Child lay.

Children especially love this beautiful custom of having a lighted candle represent the Christmas star, and in some of the homes where the Twelfth Night candle is kept burning, each child cares for the candle for an evening, all taking turns. The candle is lighted, the wreath lowered to encircle its flame, and when the child goes to bed it is his duty to blow the candle out.

A Christmas Adventure

By BLANCHE A. DRAPER

Bridget Dorion, tall, spare and middle aged, put on her brown felt hat without any fuss about primping her hair; then with a few awkward jerks pulled on her heavy brown coat, next a pair of brown woollen gloves, and without looking in her mirror to see the effect of her dressing, she hurried through her small apartment, locked the door and strode forth into the crisp November air with short, quick steps. There was no snow yet, but Christmas decorations hung in store windows and dangled enticingly from lamp standards.

With a quick, almost mechanical snap, Bridget straightened out her spine and held her head high, as she thought, "I suppose I've got a lot to be thankful for . . . I've got a good warm apartment, enough to eat, clothes to wear . . . good health . . . but OH dear . . . I do get so lonesome around Christmas time; no kith or kin to write to me, no one cares what I do . . ." She stopped short in her reverie to look in a shop window, and there she read: "Unto you a CHILD is born in the City of David". Somehow this simple message brought back visions of what might have been, and her blue grey eyes spurted tears. Hastily she dabbed them off, for no one must see Bridget Dorion weep. Bridget of the stoney heart, as people called her. Yet the tears would come, and now she dare not move, dare not reveal the tender side of her nature to a world of humans who knew her not.

Presently a tiny hand slid into hers, a sweet wee voice lisped: "Is 'oo my mummy . . . cause I'se losted . . . me tame to see Santa, but t'ant find him . . . tan 'oo show me ?". Eagerly she lifted up the chubby, golden haired baby girl, and now her tears glistened with a new found happiness as she read again: "For unto you a child is born". She hugged the wee creature to her, as she asked, "Darling, what is your name ?. You sweet, adorable child — you lovely little angel".

The child looked right into Bridget's eyes and without answering dabbed the tears away with a tiny ball of a hankie. Then she nestled closer to Bridget and said. "Oo's been cwying. Oo's dust wike my mummy — but Oo's not, is 'Oo ?".

"No darling, I'm not your mummy, but I wish I were. Do you know where you live ?" Bridget's question remained unanswered, for just then a policeman arrived. "Excuse me, ma'm, but is this baby yours, because if not, she's the one we've been notified to find. Her mother's near frantic, what with all her trouble and everything".

His voice was kind, but the baby was unwilling to go to him, so Bridget replied, "No, the baby is not mine, she thought I was her mother. If you don't mind I'd like to take her home".

"Alright ma'm, the police car is waiting. Slip in and I'll drive you to her house".

The car sped off and the wee golden haired tot fell fast asleep in Bridget's arms. Her heart beat a joyful accent and her memory went back to the time when she too had been in love and happy, but that was before the last war, when Angus had gone to fight for his country and hadn't come back.

Soon the car drew up at a small bungalow. The policeman got out and assisted her with the sleeping child. "Don't make a noise as you go in", he cautioned. "Her ma's real sick; name's Mrs. Dunstan. The baby is Shirley; guess she'll be glad to get home, must have trudged two miles. Cute, isn't she ? 'Minds me of those pictures you see of angel children. — Got six myself, but none like that". He spoke quickly and abruptly as they walked up the garden path, then he pressed the bell ever so gently, opened the door a wee bit and called softly: "It's alright, Mrs. Dunstan, don't fret yourself, we've found Shirley. A lady here's got her, she's fast asleep too". And without waiting to be thanked he strode off, leaving Bridget to find her way in with the child.

A sweet voice answered from one of the bedrooms. Bridget, still holding the sleeping child, went in, and there she saw the pitiful white face of the invalid mother, a halo of golden hair tossed upon the pillow, and Bridget knew that God would soon be taking her home unless she had expert care at once. So putting Shirley in her crib after removing her outer garments, she took off her own dingy brown hat and coat.

She spoke softly to Mrs. Dunstan as she smoothed the pillows and straightened the sheets — "I've come to take care of you Mrs. Dunstan", A weak voice rose in protest. "I've no money to pay you with and Sam's gone overseas. Things haven't been adjusted yet. He was out of work so long before and now — now — well ! . . I can't seem to fight any longer. The insurance nurse comes in every morning and dresses Shirley. A neighbor's girl comes in once in a while and fixes up the house".

"There, there, Mrs. Dunstan !" soothed Bridget. "Don't you worry any more. I'll soon have things shipshape, and have some good hot soup for you too. As for money — why I'm more than repaid already for God led your little child to me. I'm alone, no one to bother about, so let's fight together. What do you say ? And, by the way, call me Bridget please. I'm Bridget Dorion".

"You're so good. I don't know what to say Bridget, but you've given me new hope. Yes ! I'll fight".

During the next few weeks Bridget worked hard, taking full charge of Mrs. Dunstan's house and wee Shirley, who now called her "Auntie Bridget".

Mrs. Dunstan fought a good fight, though several times she nearly crossed the border. Her anaemic condition was difficult to combat, but a new faith in God, taught by Bridget who lovingly urged her to expect recovery, made her realize what life meant; and Bridget, who had at first appeared plain and grim, drew a newer power of the soul which shone in her eyes, until one day wee, golden haired Shirley said, "Auntie Bridget, Oo's booful wike angel, me woves 'oo berry much".

Then one day the doctor said that Mrs. Dunstan could sit up for a short time and if all went well would be able to have Christmas dinner with the family.

Bridget bought her a lovely pale blue negligee, and when she saw her charge propped up in a big arm-chair, looking like a delicate piece of Dresden china, she couldn't help wondering what she would do with her own life when her services were no longer required The awful loneliness she contemplated made her shudder; Mrs. Dunstan guessed by her thoughts, and in a sweet earnestness asked; "Bridget dear, would I be too presumptuous if I asked you to stay with me after I'm better ? Knowing your story, dear, I can't bear to think of letting you go back to a lonely life. Besides, Sam may be gone for a long time, and I'd be lonely too. Say you'll stay please — say you will".

"Alright, Margaret, I'll stay until your husband returns".

Bridget might have said more, but the door-bell rang. She hurried through the hall and opened the door to receive a telegram. She wondered if she dared give Margaret the message, but something told her it was good news.

Margaret opened it with shaking fingers, then her cheeks flushed, and tears of joy streamed down her cheeks. She couldn't speak, but simply handed the telegram to Bridget. It read: "Darling, be home for Xmas, not going back. Bringing Bert with me. Love. Signed Sam Dunstan".

Bridget softly intoned, "Thank God".

Christmas day dawned clear and cold with just a salt-like sprinkling of snow. Bridget rose early and prepared dinner feeling that she had come to the end of a pleasant dream. Margaret, starry eyed and happy, was going to get dressed just before time to receive her husband at eleven o'clock.

The time simply flew, and Bridget, cheeks pink from her efforts in the kitchen, opened the door for Sam and Bert. In a few minutes Bert followed her into the kitchen saying:

"Do you mind if I bother you out here. I'm a third or fourth party in there. Besides Sis told me all about you, and I knew your Angus. He was a fine chap. Strange how things work out, isn't it ? . . .

"Here you are, the guardian angel of my sister, while I get sent all the way from England with Sam to instruct other men for overseas service and find YOU here. I'd never met Sam before . . .". His speech was suddenly terminated when Bridget saw a thin whiff of smoke coming from the oven. Quickly she opened the door and pulled out a rich juicy mince pie, just before it was too badly burnt. They both laughed heartily, both trying to say, "Too many cooks spoil the broth". And into their laughter and merriment crept a wee, golden haired child. She caught their gaiety, and with twinkling eyes said:

"Uncle Bert, isn't 'oo doing to tiss Aunty Bridget 'cause she burnt her fingers, then say Merry Chwistmas ?"

And Bert replied; "That's a good idea, Shirley".

So love came to Bridget at Christmas, and she knew she would never be lonely again.

How to Light the Tree.

To combine in equal proportions red and green lights of equal brightness on your Christmas tree is an assault on the eyesight. The result suggests traffic signals gone mad. Two parts of green to one of red may be used more effectively.

Record Private Christmas Tree.

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Because of His lowly birth.

Wise men stood at attention there,
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To heights of joy unknown to them
In their Eastern home afar.

Humble and wise, together they came
And knelt in that lowly place,
For the Lord of Love had come to men
Of every creed and race.

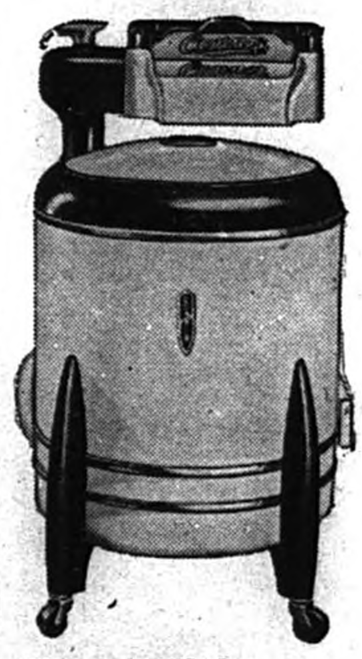
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The Tragedy of Fear

● By R. GORDON BURGOYNE, British Dominions Emigration Society.

Years ago when I was a missionary among cow-boys in Alberta, I bought a very fine broncho, right on the open range, and they roped him. We got a saddle on his back, and I rode him home; that ride is another story, but one afternoon as I was riding to the home of a Texas Ranger who had retired to farm in Canada, Tony, my horse, suddenly bucked and shied at an iron road scraper that had been left there after the day's work. Tony had never seen a scraper before and was frightened at what he could not understand, so I got off his back, and walked to the scraper and stooped down and patted it and talked to it, and in a short time Tony put his beautiful head over my shoulder and soon his soft nose reached down and smelt and touched this thing of terror of a few minutes before. Then he said to me in perfectly good English, "Come on, boss, let's get on with the job and stop this foolishness." On my return that night, as we came to the scraper, did he squeal and buck? No, he cocked his ears forward as he galloped by it; you see, he now knew all about scrapers. If I had driven him on to it and forced him to get near, he would likely have been afraid of scrapers till the end of his days. You see, I love horses.

In that personal episode is the story of so much of the fear and tragedy that is in the world today. Men will not try to understand men, and because of their failure to understand, there comes this terrible charge of "man's inhumanity to man," with all its attendant cruelty and horror. "If only men were on man's side," someone has written, what a different story one would have of the day in which we live, and how the pages of history, dripping with the blood of millions of victims, would never have been written. —"If only men were on man's side."

It is true that very few ghosts survive investigation, and the thing that fills the mind with terror is only a sheet that has been left out to blow in the night breezes; and it is only a sheet, not a ghost.

The Germans are told by their controlled press and their leader that the world is against them, and they are being surrounded by enemies and they must fight for their freedom, when there is no nation that wants to attack them, but in their fear that they might lose their freedom, they do not hesitate to take away the freedon of other nations.

Japan says it is their fear of "losing their face" that compels them to keep on slaughtering the Chinese and slapping the faces of British people. I understand they have changed their minds and are now slapping German faces instead. Italy must keep up a press tirade of hatred against the democratic nations for fear her people will not hate sufficiently well.

In Canada we have enough fear to keep us going for a long time. The picture of Provincial Governments working against other Provincial Governments, and Provincial Governments scheming against the Federal Government for fear one or the other will put something over; so we have the sight of much mis-government, which would not have happened at all if it were not for the fear they have of their political opponents. And so we see an undeveloped country and unemployed men, and to cap all, every now and then one of the provinces raises the cry that it will step out of Confederation.

Fear of Immigration

We all know our country is not growing at the rate it should, and when we ask why more well chosen people are not allowed to enter Canada, we are told that the reason Canadian people are afraid of having more people in Canada is in case someone might lose his job to the newcomer. Thus we have one of the largest countries in the world scarcely populated — or I should say, *sparsely* populated — through fear, forgetting that the more people we have the greater the requirements and the greater number of shoes and clothes and homes have to be produced to meet the requirements of life.

It would be well to remember that when immigration into Canada was steady, times have always been good in Canada, and when the stream of immigration has dwindled, as it has since 1930 to the present moment, we have always known bad times and poor business. I know what I am talking about, for I am in the immigration business. My business is to bring over British people to Canada. But don't take my word, look up the official records for yourself. Yes, fear is at the root of most of our troubles.

I remember the statement of the American writer, Henry Van Loon, at the time that the American quota was put into force, who says, "We, who by divine right got here first, will now proceed to keep all others out." That, I think, is fear well wrapped up.

Prison Reform and Fear

For many years there have been a few people in Canada who have been fighting for Prison Reform, and it has been a slow business. I have been at it myself for the past nineteen years. In our own Montreal Jail at Bordeaux, there has been a very marked improvement recently, but from a Federal standpoint, the signs of improvement are much less noticeable.

Riots and demonstrations by inmates in the Federal penitentiaries were investigated by a Royal Commission, together with the manner in which the penitentiaries were run, and they gave to the Government at Ottawa a really splendid report over two years ago. It was a very good piece of work, but apart from that, there has been very little to show. Things are not on the upturn for the reformation of men who are incarcerated in our penitentiaries. Punishment and discipline — yes, I have not a word to say against that — but the matter of a deliberate effort to reform men who have transgressed the social law of the country, and to do anything worthwhile to return them into society better citizens, has not yet been put into effect. But we go on hoping that something will be done by the Department of Justice at Ottawa. For many years we have waited in vain, except for one thing, a number of Canadian penitentiary officers we sent across to Wakefield, England, this year, to take the training course which the British Government give their officers. It was a step in the right direction.

I know the work of the Prisoners' Aid Societies across Canada is practically at a standstill, for we are not allowed to interview a penitentiary prisoner alone, or speak about any injustice that he might feel he has suffered while in the Courts. We may only speak to him about when he will be released, with the idea of obtaining a job for him; or speak about his wife or children, whom he might want us to see on his behalf. But as regards the problems that are weighing heavily on his mind—Ottawa says we are law-breakers if we dare to try to help him there . . . . so, again, fear stops a good work being done, a work that had been proceeding in Montreal for nearly fifty years, to the benefit of thousands. . . . So lives that have lost their freedom are refused help—on account of official fear.

British Empire Built Up on Faith

In the history of nations, fears and their attendant tragedies have so often been overcome by the faith in the hearts of men. Our Empire was built that way, by men and women of faith, sailing out or marching on to see what was beyond, and then calling to those whom they had left behind to follow them. That is the way our Canada was started, and it must be by that same spirit that she will reach her ultimate destiny successfully. It is the only way, and we must see to it that that same spirit of faith and adventure does not die.

It is foolish to say that those pioneers never knew fear; of course they did. Those pioneer women trembled, certainly, but that did not stop them; they had faith; they knew that their efforts today would make for a better tomorrow, and it is your task and mine to throw out this demon of fear that has been holding back our country for so long, and to lift our heads and hearts in the faith and knowledge that we humans are the greatest beings in all God's creation, and that we have been given the task of making the world a better place for others following us to live in, and to remember that there is a tremendous satisfaction in doing what good one can as long as we can, and to show by our lives that love is stronger than fear.

I love these words of Kipling's "If":—

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it in one turn of pitch and toss;
And lose, and start again at the beginning,
And never breathe a word about your loss.
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn, long after they are gone,
To hold on, when there is nothing left within you
Except the will which says to them "Hold on."

Those words are strong meat, and we need them today to overcome this dread disease of *Fear* that has already developed into a tragedy.

Lights Mark Fire Hydrants

Through co-operation between the Public Utilities Commission and the Fire Department, and in accordance with a recommendation from fire-fighting organizations, 12 amber street lights have been placed in service at Brockville, Ont., to mark the location of as many fire hydrants. It is expected that the installation will be expanded until eventually the sites of all hydrants in the town are marked in this manner for the convenience of firemen answering alarms.

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In order to identify this stranger, Nilakantha has recourse to a clever ruse. He disguises himself and Lakmé as beggars, and together they go to a festival in the city, where Nilakantha compels his daughter to sing, hoping that her lover will step forward to greet her, thereby making himself known. It so happens that Gerald, who is present at this festival, recognizes the voice of Lakmé, eagerly approaches her, but is stabbed from behind by the outraged father. Lakmé conveys her lover to a jungle, and there nurses him back to health. One day, during her absence, Gerald's whereabouts is learned by Frederick, a fellow officer, who urges him to return to his duty. When Lakmé reappears she finds Gerald preparing to depart, and in despair she takes a deadly poison and expires in the arms of her lover.

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Seeing Affects Us in Many Ways

For seeing involves more than our eyes. It involves our nerves, muscles, minds, and even our hearts. Tests made in the General Electric Lighting Research Laboratory prove that the whole complex process of seeing is made much more difficult by poor lighting, and since seeing is bodily function, there are resultant bodily effects. We all know how headache and indigestion sometimes result from eyestrain. And actual measurements have been made in the laboratory of the unnecessary tenseness, fatigue, and wasted energy resulting from visual work under poor lighting conditions. In addition, there is often experienced restlessness, inattention, and depressed spirits accompanying poor lighting. And it is a deplorable fact that in the Dominion one grade school child in five, two college students in five, and three middle-aged persons in five, have defective vision. It is also a fact that good lighting is kind to eyes because it helps them see more easily and lessens the dangers of eyestrain.

New Ideas—New Facts

Most of this knowledge about the relation between light and seeing has come through years of exhaustive research in the laboratory. It has brought us new ideas and new facts about lighting; and it has brought us new instruments for measuring light, such as the handy little Light Meter, which makes it possible for us to use light more intelligently.

Just as we must know something of fabrics before we can make them into lovely modern clothes, something about foods before we can combine them into modern, balanced meals, so we must understand something of the principles of lighting before we can light our homes in the beautiful, modern and correct way.

APPROACHING LIGHTING FROM YOUR SEEING NEEDS

Whole textbooks have been written on the lighting principles which research has discovered. Lighting is now an important system in the modern home, as are heating, plumbing and air conditioning. If you are building or modernizing, you'll want detailed, expert advice, which is often available through your electric service company. But for simple home problems a G-E booklet is supplied as a suggestive guide to the prescribed amounts of light for the usual home tasks, as well as that quality of lighting result you will find comfortable and pleasing.

Our bodies have different requirements if we do active physical work than if we sit behind a desk. Just so the eye has different requirements for the tasks we give it. We measure heat with thermometers. And now with marvelous little instruments called Light Meters, we can measure lighting in relation to seeing. They tell us how many footcandles we are getting; indicate the recommended amounts for varying visual tasks. The Light Meter not only measures. It warns! And it prescribes amounts for various tasks. Our eyes don't usually tell us that they are being cheated. But, when once a Light Meter has corrected the amounts of light, our eyes welcome the change.

Yet the quantity of light is only half the story. Quality lighting — the way in which light is distributed — is the other half. Lighting must be soft and pleasing. It must give a minimum of harshness in contrasts. It must do away with any annoyingly bright spots. This in accomplished by having the light balanced throughout your room — by your placing of lamps, by the distribution of light.

We used to think about speed in terms of the carriage, so at first we patterned our automobiles on carriages. Now we think in terms of today's style of streamlining, which fits the need for speed. So, instead of starting to think about lighting merely in terms of lamps and fixtures, we are going to think about it in terms of seeing. That is, in terms of our eyes' needs.

WHAT FASCINATING DECORATIVE POSSIBILITIES THERE ARE

Style in make-up demands cosmetics that subtly, flatteringly, bring out one's best points. Style in lighting demands that a room's best points be brought out. When it is correctly done the people in that room are more relaxed and happier. And better looking! Because good lighting is becoming lighting.

Becoming to rooms, too! You won't make a single decorative sacrifice. A period room for instance, can be made more beautiful, more comfortable for living, with lighting improvements that in no way mar the decorative perfection — if we know how to choose and use floor and table lamps and lighting fixtures for purposeful lighting — and if we know how to choose and use interesting brackets and purely decorative lighting devices for "frill" lighting.

Light models and colors! Lighting, well done, brings out new beauty in rugs and drapes. Enriches patterns of upholstery fabrics. Calls forth new loveliness in pictures.

Light is magic! As we learn to use it effectively in our homes, we'll do dramatic, luxurious things with it. We'll have built-in lighting, colored or tint lighting in certain areas, lighting that may be changed. We'll find planning new lighting effects for our homes as exciting as planning new wardrobes for ourselves — and we'll apply many of the smart ensemble principles.

But before we can make plans with lighting we must know the fundamentals of our "paints." Lighting that provides better seeing conditions and that beautifies the home. These improvements may be easily realized even in the most modest homes, without extravagant expense or trouble.

THE HONEST FUNCTION OF A LAMP

Any lamp — floor or table — should dramatize the furniture grouping it accompanies, by way of style and color. At the same time it must fulfill its own good honest function. That is, to give good lighting. Lighting that is aesthetically pleasing to the eye, lighting that is scientifically correct for the eyes.

THINGS TO REMEMBER AND LOOK FOR

Certain qualifications should be kept in mind. First, there must be sufficient height and shade size to cast the light over a useful and generous area. Second, white or near white shade linings will prevent coloring the light and distorting the color harmonies in the room. They also make the most efficient use of the light being paid for — sometimes actually doubling the amount! Third, open top shades are almost always desirable, except when lamps are on low tables and you might look down into them. The more light that is shed up into the room, the less chance of having harsh, bad contrasts. Fourth, lamp bulbs housed in light-diffusing glass or plastic bowls, hidden under the shade, have much more pleasing, flattering and eye-comforting results. Finally, the shades should have enough density so they don't stand out as bright spots against their background.

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EASY TO LOOK AT, GOOD TO SEE BY

To make a general characterization of the very best type — they of course conceal the lamp bulb; they have more generous proportions, to house the needed wattage satisfactorily, and without glare; they quite often — especially in small, low-ceilinged rooms — fit snugly to the ceiling or they quite honestly use the larger ceiling area for a softening reflecting surface, to distribute their light more comfortably and effectively throughout the room. They are the means of introducing generous, useful, pleasant and becoming light into a room.

AND WALL BRACKETS —

Nor are wall brackets scattered around as thoughtlessly as of yore. We're beginning to appreciate their true value. For the kitchen, strictly utilitarian ones carefully shaded, wherever close work is done, should be used. For the bathroom, you should have them at both sides of the mirror, so that both sides of the face will be lighted.

Purely decorative brackets, usually of the candle shaded types, are used for interesting touches of light — and consequently used sparingly. And brackets of the urn and bowl type are becoming more and more popular. They have a charming decorative effect and, if used freely enough for the room's size, contribute effectively to the lighting.

SEVEN POINT CHECK FOR STYLE AND SCIENTIFIC CORRECTNESS

How does your home check up? Ask yourself these questions, or go over them with a lighting expert.

1—AMOUNTS OF LIGHT. Do the footcandles check with those recommended?

2—CONTRAST. Does your general light, throughout the room, measure at least one-tenth of the footcandle readings for local light? Are the shadows soft and "fuzzy" as they should be — or are they harsh, black and tiring to the eyes, making the decorative scheme spotty?

3—GLARE. Are any lamp bulbs even partly exposed? Are there any uncomfortably bright places in view? Good style and good sense in lighting say that floor and table lamps (especially those not equipped with diffusing bowls) should be toward the rear of chair or divan, so that no bare blubs are visible to anyone seated nearby.

4—SOFTNESS. If you hold your hand between the light source and your work, are there hard black shadows on the work? Soft shadows and highlights are interesting, but raw lighting is as ugly as raw color, which style would forbid in clothes. And raw lighting means poor lighting, even if there is plenty of it! The diffusing bowl now often used under the lamp shade softens the shadows.

5—REFLECTED GLARE. Are there any highlights or reflections on or near your work? They may come from glass table tops, polished wood glossy paint surfaces. They aren't nice to look at and they interfere with easy seeing. Make a slight change in the positions of lamp or work, to have the light strike at an angle, taking the light away from the eyes. Soft light as described under Point 4 has a very considerable effect in reducing reflected glare.

6—FLEXIBILITY. Can you use every lamp and lighting arrangement you have for various needs? There should be good lamps for every seeing purpose in the room. And there should be enough of them so all members of the family can do things at the same time — reading, homework, sewing — without moving lamps about or altering arrangements.

7—DECORATIVE FITNESS. And here is style, in its best true sense! Is every lamp, every furniture grouping involving a lamp, pleasing and right from a decorative viewpoint? Is the room without dark, unattractive corners? Do the lamps produce the footcandles for the tasks they are used for? Remember — lighting that is right for your eyes always makes your room more beautiful, always adds to your decorative scheme. It is the harmony of all these factors in lighting which produces the full usefulness of light, and that is the sound basis of good style.

NEW KNOWLEDGE OF SEEING IN THE CLASSROOM

Today we live indoors for the most part. We work in offices and factories and study at home and in school. Our modern life requires us to use these same eyes for close concentration over long periods of time on small objects usually less than an arm's length away. And this with only a little light indoors. We must read books, magazines and newspapers to keep up with our modern times. We work at typewriters, sewing machines, drafting boards and concentrate on other intricate details in factory, office and home. We pore over facts and figures in correspondence, files, plans or account books.

These are the modern requirements for which our children are trained in school, and consequently about the same demands are made on young eyes in the classroom.

HOW DO WE SEE?

Of course, "seeing" involves not alone the eyes, but also the task and the light. Because a child's eyes are good, that does not necessarily mean he can see easily and safely.

THE EYE-TASK

Now let us see how these three factors — the task, the eyes and the light — affect the individual.

Consider what characteristics of an eye-task make it difficult to see, and think how universally such adverse conditions are met with in the classroom.

SIZE

Naturally, small objects are harder to see than large ones. A great part of school work involves a certain amount of concentration on such small details in books, notes, diagrams and manual work or on blackboards and charts.

CONTRAST

It is difficult to see details which have low contrast with their background. Black on gray is harder to see than black on white. It is not as easy to see writing on a grayish blackboard as it is to read a black and white chart. Pencil marks are harder to see on yellow paper than on white. It is difficult to discern black thread on black cloth or white stitches on white cloth or pencil marks on a piece of metal in the shop. All these factors demand scientific lighting, such as experts have devised for every particular need and activity.

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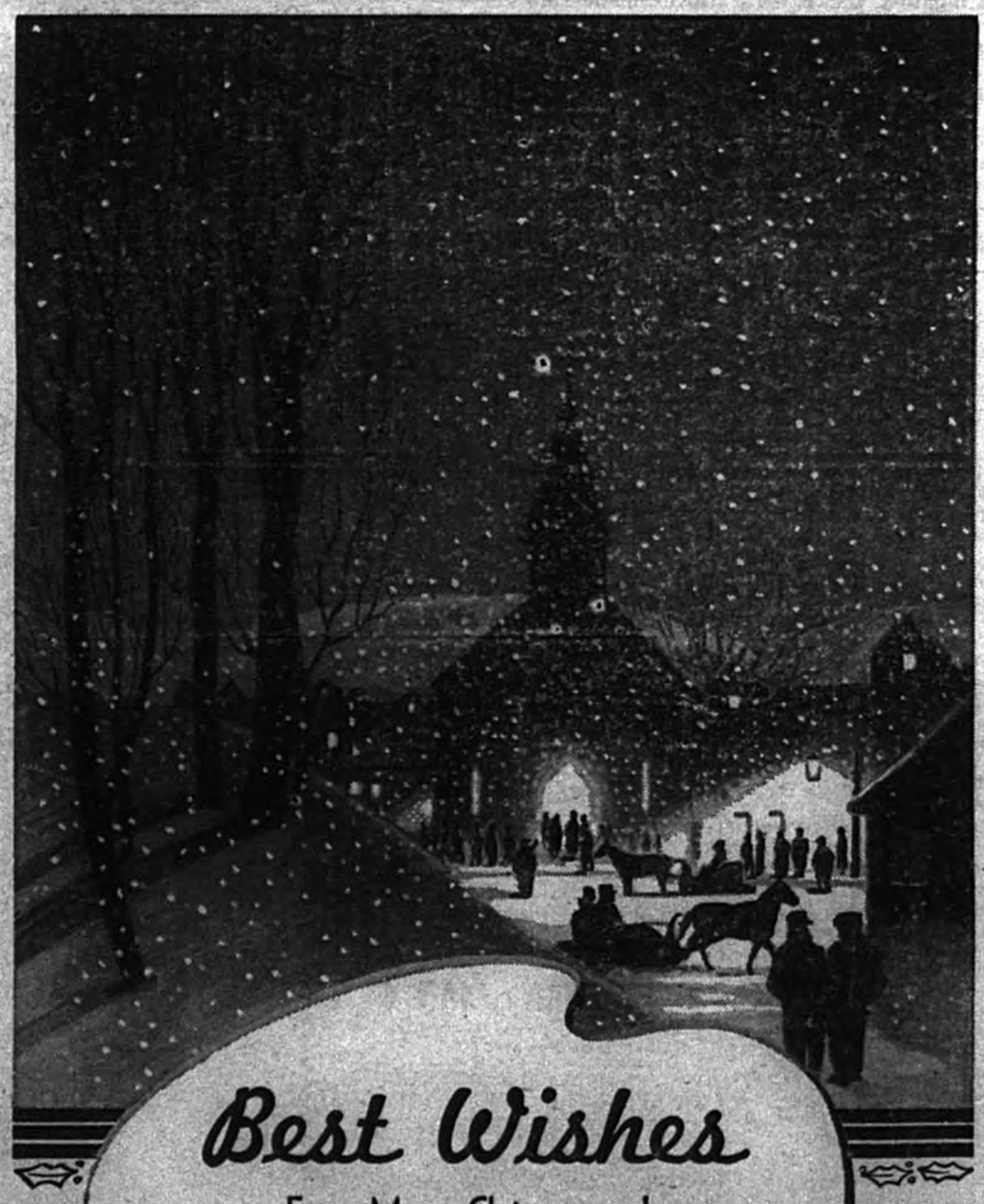
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By JESSIE ALLEN BROWN

TRADITION AT CHRISTMAS

Tradition plays a big part at Christmas. Each family should create their own customs and have things done the same way each year. It is heartwarming to look back and remember the things which were the same year after year. It is not the expensive Christmas presents one remembers and loves, but the simple, homely things. I can remember with delight the cheery voice of an uncle, who, as he opened the door each Christmas morning, called "Christmas Box on You". Perhaps the father of the family reads the Christmas Carol each Christmas Eve. The centrepiece on the dinner table, for the great feast, may always be the same. At home, it was always a large bowl of fruit. Its shiny apples, its golden oranges, and the large bunches of Malaga grapes were always a picture. Oranges, in those days, were not daily affairs, but were a part of Christmas. Our centrepiece is much the same, but I resurrected a high glass fruit dish of my grandmother's which had been hidden away on the pantry shelf, and I had never seen it in use. To the fruit, I add feathery pine. But the main thing is — it is always the same. Tucked in the toe of my stocking there was always a potato with a quarter stuck in it. That, too, is a part of Christmas to our boys. Build your family traditions for your family to remember with love. Do not strive too much for novelty. Have the same old Christmas in the same old way.

OUTDOOR DECORATIONS

The outdoor decorations at Christmas have grown to be very lovely. The development in electricity has made this possible. In London, Ontario, (I learned to add the Ontario while in Nova Scotia, because down there if you say London, they think you mean London, England), they had so many very beautiful large trees lighted, both in the parks and at private homes. In the West end of Halifax, where the homes are new and modern, the outside decorations of the homes were the nicest we have ever seen, as whole streets would have every home decorated with its gleaming, friendly lights. We were disappointed in Ottawa, as there were very few Christmas decorations. Many towns now have their municipal Christmas tree ablaze with lights and it is a very lovely custom.

GIFTS FOR ALL

They say to give the old something frivolous and the young something sensible. There is something in it. When you think of the poor grandmothers who get bedroom slippers and a bed-jacket every year when their soul craves for a bit of perfume and a gay flower. Whatever you do, don't give an old lady lavender. Lavender and Old Lace might be a good idea for a book but even the thought of lavender makes an older woman feel old. Young people are practical and enjoy practical gifts but of course there must be something frivolous too. No matter how silly we think the latest fad is, likely that is just what the young friend wants most. To a person away from home, nothing could be more welcome than the home-town paper, telling all the news which never seems to get into letters. A book of movie-tickets is appreciated by old and young. It is an especially good gift for an older man who finds time heavy on his hands. Sports equipment is tops for youngsters. Be sure to choose what their friends have. It is no use giving skiis if the rest of the gang are all skating.

HINTS

The children will be thrilled if you make your hard-sauce a little stiffer than usual and then make it into a snow-man.

MINCEMEAT SQUARES

½ cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 1½ cups flour, mincemeat, 1 teaspoon soda, ½ teaspoon salt, 1¾ cups rolled oats.

Work the first five ingredients into a crumbly mixture, then add the rolled oats. Put half the mixture in a shallow greased pan and pat into place. Cover this with mincemeat. Sprinkle with the remaining crumbs and pat into place. Bake in a moderately slow oven of 325 degrees for twenty-five minutes. Cut into bars while warm.

TOMATO SHERBET

There is something about serving a sherbet with the meat course that gives an air of luxury and makes the meal an occasion. Here is the recipe for a simple one with the desired touch of red for this season.

2 cups tomato juice, 1 teaspoon gelatin, 2 tablespoons cold water, juice of a half lemon, ½ teaspoon sugar, salt to taste, 1 stiffly beaten egg white.

Soak the gelatin in the cold water. Heat a half-cup of the tomato juice and dissolve the gelatin in this. Stir this into the remaining tomato juice and add lemon juice, sugar and salt. Pour into the freezing tray and freeze until partly frozen, but still quite soft. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg white and freeze until firm but not hard. This is attractive served in half orange skins. Save them after you have served orange juice. Scrape them out and scallop the edges.

ROSE PETAL CHAINS

Rarely Perfumed Necklaces Easily Made by Amateurs.

Why not utilize the rose petals for Christmas presents? Fill some potpourri jars with them and the spices will aid in capturing the rose fragrance and keeping it for years.

Wonderful chains can be made from them which are a continued delight. Put the leaves through the food chopper each day for seven days and stir between times.

Keep them in an old iron kettle which is somewhat rusty, as the action of the iron rust and some quality in the rose petals work together to make the finished product beautiful.

At the end of seven days, with the aid of a little water for moistening, the macerated petals may be carefully formed into any desired shape or size and placed in rows on pins to dry and harden, and also to make the necessary openings for the string.

The rare scent of the rose garden always clings to them and they may be used to impart it to the dainty lingeries when not being worn.

Old Scottish Householder—"Maggie, ye ha'e served us faithfully for 25 years, an' frae now on we will regard ye as a member of the family. As such, ye will receive na salary."

THE WOMAN'S PAGE

HOUSE AND HOME

By Mary E. Dague
Author of Sister Mary's Kitchen

Mixed wreaths for Christmas decoration are lovely using sprays of fir, cedar and hemlock. Select well shaped sprays about six or seven inches long. Then begin at the top of your wire hoop and bind on the twigs with a strong wire. Make the wreath nice and full, turning the tips of the sprays first to the inside of the circle and then to the outside and keeping the woody stems firmly fastened to the hoop.

After you have made your green wreath you can give it color by working in bunches of holly or rose haws or bittersweet or pepper berries, depending on where you live.

To make long festoons for draping on mantels and over doorways, fasten the sprays of evergreeens on strong light rope; a clothesline is good. A lightweight wire or strong cord can be used to bind the sprays on the rope.

Then wherever you fasten the festoon, work in a bunch of color.

Small colorful fruits are charming worked into wreaths. Tiny bright red apples, clusters of kumquats, tangerines and grapes can be wired to the centre of the wreath, and are most attractive in the rich green background.

Keep your wreaths symmetrical, and add whatever color you use carefully, preserving a nice balance.

Outdoors, fill your window boxes with sturdy branches of various evergreens. Place the ends of the branches in moist sand to hold them where you want them, and to keep them fresh.

Or outdoor window boxes are effective planted with small, well-shaped evergreen trees. Sometimes these trees go through the winter in good condition, and can be planted out in the yard in the spring. However, whether you intend to put them out in the spring or want them only for the winter season, keep them well watered.

A handsome spray of pine or spruce makes an effective decoration for the front door. Work some pine cones through its needles, and tie it to the knocker with a splashy gay red bow.

A string of round sleigh bells is another idea for your front door. Use the strap on which the bells are strung for your base, and fasten sprays of evergreen to it, to make a green background for the bells.

Scent Boxes Once Used By Both Women and Men

Small silver scent boxes and vin aigrettes came into fashion late in the Eighteenth century. They were considered an indispensable part of a lady's toilet a century and more ago. Every lady carried one in her pocket or reticule or suspended from her chatelaine. It was the fashion to sniff at it delicately whenever the opportune time came, for the oftener a lady of those times came to swooning, the more highly was she regarded. The ladies, however, according to Alice R. Rollins in the Los Angeles Times, were not alone in using these small trifles.

Those for the men were larger and more masculine in taste. They included such designs as a skull, a fish or fruit. They were worn suspended from the watch chain or carried in the pocket.

Vinaigrettes were usually made of silver but a few of gold and ivory are known. One of the latter is described as being egg-shaped, pierced all over and unscrewing in the middle for the insertion of the sponge soaked in aromatic vinegar. The silver ones are of many shapes and sizes. As a general rule the earlier ones are plain and have detached lids. On the inside of the box was a grilled compartment that held spices, musk or a tiny sponge that had been moistened with sweet-smelling liquids.

In shape they were round, oval, convex and flat. Sometimes in the form of tiny books, pocketbooks, letter wallets or shells. Some of those made in the shape of books are beautifully chased in imitation of tooled binding. Fish-shaped scent-bottles and vinaigrettes from Holland are not uncommon.

May Not Unlucky Month

May is not an unlucky birth month, asserts a writer in Pearson's London Weekly. The May-born should be happy in married life, especially if they wear the right birth stone—an emerald. But May has been regarded as unlucky for weddings ever since Roman times. "Marry in May and you'll rue the day" is our proverb. Hot weather in May is supposed to presage a poor harvest; a cold windy May brings later compensations. No other month appears to have special lore, except that "October's child is born for woe and life's vicissitudes must know." This however, can be remedied by wearing an opal birth stone.

YULETIDE CEREMONIES

Many of Our Customs Are Carry-Overs From the Dim Past, When Feasting Meant Something.

Our ancestors had numerous ceremonies pertaining to Christmas that are half forgotten to-day.

There was a pretty superstition connected with the decoration of houses with evergreen. It was believed that sylvan sprites might flock to the branches and remain unnipped by frost until a milder season.

The popular expression, "sub rosa," meaning anything told in confidence, was derived from the old custom of guests wearing chaplets of holly, mistletoe, ivy and rosemary at the annual festivals where a rose generally was hung over the tables. The expression, "beneath the mistletoe" is said to have the same derivation.

And then we learn of the old superstition that oxen fell on their knees on Old Christmas, January 6. The belief was based on the medieval notion that the cattle in the stable, witnessing the Nativity, fell upon their knees in supplication.

Those who know something of the times of Charles II. are familiar with the astonishing menus served guests by the noble hosts of that day. And those among the readers of these lines who imagine they will dine sumptuously when partaking of their roast turkey, cranberry sauce and all the "fixings" when the day of days arrives, should meditate on the following account of an almost unbelievable Christmas pie which is told about in the Newcastle Chronicle, January 3, 1770:

"Monday last was brought from Howick to Berwick, to be shipped to London, for Sir Hen. Grey, bart., a pie, the contents whereof are as follows, viz.: 2 bushels of flour, 20 pounds of butter, 4 geese, 2 turkies, 2 rabbits, 4 wild ducks, 2 woodcocks, 6 snipes and 4 partridges; 2 neats' tongues, 2 curlews, 7 blackbirds, and 6 pigeons. The Christmas pie was made by Mrs. Dorothy Patterson, housekeeper at Howick. It is near 9 feet in circumference at the bottom, weighs about 12 stones, will take 2 men to present it at table; it is neatly fitted with a case and four small wheels to facilitate its use to every guest that inclines to partake of its contents at table."

MODERN WOMEN

By Dr. M. L. Maffett

Although there was, of course, much joy and excitement in being a member of her husband's recent expedition to Alaska, Mrs. Foresta Wood must have passed through hours, even days, when she thought of civilization with some yearning.

The party, commanded by Walter A. Wood, and comprising two other members besides Mrs. Wood, devoted three months to aerial mapping work in snow and ice-covered mountain areas in the Yukon Territory.

Sometimes their camp was pitched at an elevation of more than 10,000 feet. The party mapped 2,000 square miles of wilderness for the American Geographical Society.

Dr. Frances H. Clark stands at the top in science of metallurgy, in which she finds both romance and a career. She specializes in examining metals for their wear-resistant and vibration-proof qualities, and seeks the best for use in telegraph and cable service.

Dr. Clark has for thirteen years headed the metallurgical laboratory of one of the leading telegraph companies in America. She is a native of Glasgow, Delaware, and is a graduate of Syracuse University.

Mexican women are the first, it is said, to be given an opportunity by their government to take a correspondence course in agriculture. The course is free, and the students are afforded general instruction in those phases of farming to which women are best adapted.

Miss Florence Sibley, of Philadelphia, is the first American to receive a decoration of the French government for work in the present European war. She has been made an officer in the French Legion of Honor for her assistance in organizing hospitals.

Miss Gwynne Kimpton is head of the British Women's Symphony Orchestra, a co-operative enterprise, which is still going strong. It was organized under the patronage of the Queen.

Miss Dorothy A. E. Garrod, of Newnham College, is the first woman don to be elected by Cambridge. She was appointed to the Disney professorship of archaeology.

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by W. E. Aughinbaugh, M.D.

USES FOR VENOM

Medical research workers are investigating every field for cures for the diseases to which mankind are subject.

For centuries snakes have been looked upon as a menace to society, and men feared them and killed them whenever possible, except in India, where, because of what might be called a mutiny among the Gods of the Hindu mythology, one of the deity was ejected from heaven and in despair called for help from among the things that flew, crawled, jumped and walked, in order that he might regain his former status.

Snakes responded to his cry for aid, and since that time have been venerated and treated with consideration by Hindus, so much so that if one is found in the yard or house of a native, saucers of fresh milk are placed for it, and it is never molested.

Now many physicians are experimenting with snake venom, obtained from the most deadly species, and numerous cures have been reported following its use.

Viper venom has been effectively used for hydrophobia and yellow fever; rattlesnake venom for leprosy, diptheria and febrile conditions, cobra venom for cancer, and the doctors who employed these poisons are loud in their praises of their effectiveness.

Perhaps the most remarkable cures have been reported in the use of the serum in cases of epilepsy.

In 1914 a man in Arizona who had been subject to convulsions since he was 15 years of age, was bitten by a rattler, and survived. His attending physician noticed he had no further attacks, and began experimenting with this particular venom.

Since that time hundreds of cases have been thus treated, with the result that many have been completely cured, while in others the character of the convulsions was modified, the intervals between attacks lengthened, and the mental and physical condition of the patient noticeably improved.

Dr. F. W. Fitzsimmons, Director of Snake Park, South Africa, and an expert in this line of work, has devised a mixed venom — one composed of the poison from numerous deadly snakes — and has used it in more than 500 cases of epilepsy. Only 6 per cent failed to respond favorably.

He even has employed it successfully in St. Vitus dance and some forms of accessible cancerous tumors.

In India doctors use snake venom for cholera, and as a heart stimulant.

In Paris, in 115 cases of incurable cancer, all hope having been abandoned by physicians, the serum poison from the black cobra was used, with the result that all the sufferers experienced great relief from pain, and in a few cases, the progress of the disease was checked.

Christmas Poinsettias. Popular Holiday Plant

THE brilliant street lights of a large city were flickering into the cozy front apartment of the Malory sisters. They were sitting alone on Christmas eve enjoying their snow white tree gleaming under its burden of blue electric bulbs in true modern fashion.

"Oh, dear," sighed Lois, "doesn't Christmas always remind you of poinsettias?"

"Sure does," replied her sister, wistfully. "How could we ever forget them? Remember how mother used to send us out in the sleigh to deliver those scarlet beauties to our friends, every Christmas? Those were the good old days!"

"Wasn't it fun, though? I can just see the dear old home simply loaded down with the 'Christmas stars' as we used to call them."

At this very moment several blocks down the street the telephone was ringing profusely in one of the busiest florist shops on the avenue. An order was being placed for the largest and very best poinsettia plant in stock. It was to be delivered to the Misses Lois and Mae Malory, on Rugby street.

Just fifteen minutes later the door bell at this residence rang and a messenger delivered the gift beautifully wrapped and tied in Christmas colors.

"Oh, Lois, come quick!" shouted Mae. "A gift from the home town. What can it be?"

"Why, it's a pot of poinsettias—one mass of crimson stars! Who could have se..t it?"

When they discovered the card, it was more puzzling than ever, for the only inscription upon it was, "Poinsettias For Christmas." —Alice B. Palmer.

BLESSING RIVER DANUBE.

Curious Custom Followed for Centuries In Rumania.

It has been the custom in Rumania from time immemorial to bless the Danube on Christmas day. A procession of priests and people dressed to represent Biblical characters moves through the streets singing chants and so to the bank of the river. The ice is broken, and a small wooden cross is thrown into the water. Any one who can recover this cross is regarded as extremely fortunate and sure of good luck for the year to come.

A Nice Christmas Gift, Thought Happy Marilyn

ALTHOUGH he lived across the hall, their acquaintance had been only a bowing one until he had reminded her that morning in the elevator there were only three days more until Christmas. A welcome announcement for any employee in Baxter's store, she thought.

She hadn't known his name until his sister spoke to Marilyn Marsh just as she was putting her key into her door that evening. Mrs. Hunt, Wade Kendall's sister, as she introduced herself, was having difficulty with some decorations. Would Marilyn help her? Marilyn did, in spite of preferring to rest after her day's work at Baxter's. Wade came while they were working with the decorations, and soon conversation turned to what plans each had for Christmas day. Mrs. Hunt would be with the Kendalls for the family reunion. Wade would not be though because business prevented. Marilyn had no plans, so Wade suggested they spend the day together.

Christmas day, Wade learned that Marilyn had been forced to give up her music instruction and was employed otherwise; he had guessed that, he said. The music he used to see her carry, he noticed she never had with her now. Too, he had seen her in Baxter's—and he had told his sister that anyone who could rise above disappointment and keep as cheerful and friendly as Marilyn, was an inspiration, and worth knowing.

That was the best gift she had received, she told him. She hoped to be an inspiration always. His eyes and lips told her she would.—Blanche Tanner Dillin

SOMETHING AB. CAROLS.

In 1521 Wynken de Worde printed the first known set of Christmas carols.

The carol was originally a joyous dance, a sign of liberation from the religious austerity of the Puritan era. Percy Dearmer writing in "The Oxford Book of Carols," says, "The carol, by forsaking the timeless contemplative melodies of the church, began the era of modern music, which throughout has been based on the dance."

The word "carol" is from "cantare," to sing, and "rola" a joyful interjection.

Women's Institute Meetings During the Past Month

Brownsburg W. I. heard a brief report of the county ladies' visit to Government House, from Mrs. Arthur Campbell. Members answered the roll-call by giving the name of their favorite hymn, and enjoyed a Christmas story, "What is Wrong with Christmas Giving?", which was read by Mrs. Lemuel Wilson.

Frontier Branch held a Christmas social with a Christmas program, also contests for adult members and a spelling contest for the children. A treat was also given the children, and scrap-books presented for the Children's Hospital. This branch donated $5 to the Temperance Education work in Argenteuil county.

Jerusalem-Bethany — Scrap books were brought by the members, filled with items of interest regarding the Royal tour of Canada and the United States. These were judged by the county president, Mrs. Morris, the prize-winner being Miss Hilda Hume. Carols were sung and a Christmas story read by Mrs. A. Stewart. The members exchanged gifts and arranged that friends and Institute members who were ill be remembered by the branch.

Lachute Branch heard Christmas stories read, and sent a donation of $15 each to the Sanatorium at Ste. Agathe and the Grace Dart Hospital, Montreal; also $15 was donated for Christmas cheer in their own town.

Lakefield held a banquet in November, also arranged for a card party on Dec. 28th, and donated $5 to the Red Cross.

Mille Isles Branch met at the home of Mrs. George Woods, where several papers were read and enjoyed, one on Cellophane, in the interests of Canadian Industries, by Miss Ivall, another by Mrs. J. W. Maxwell in the interest of Canadianization and National events, this being a history of ancient customs for early times up to the present date. Mrs. Wesley Dawson recounted interesting happenings at Government House when the W. I. ladies had visited Her Excellency. Mrs. G. F. W. Kuhring also spoke of this visit. Mrs. K. S. Barnes was a representative of the branch at the reception. The meeting closed with the national anthem after arrangements had been made to provide treats for the three schools in the district.

Pioneer Branch had as their roll call "Some of the ways in which we have spoiled Christmas". They sent a box of cheer for the needy to the Salvation Army, and $5 to the Children's Memorial Hospital, also planned for their own local Christmas tree. The Handicrafts Convenor reported the meeting to discuss the Fair exhibition. Their Canadianization convenor, Miss Morrin, gave as current events, news of prominent women of today. Mrs. L. Hooker, Mrs. A. Parker and Mrs. J. MacKenzie gave interesting facts and the president Mrs. G. Armstrong, read an interesting article on Christmas customs in Denmark. Miss M. Morrin reported the enjoyable visit to Government House.

Upper Lachute-East End are engaged in work for the soldiers, making bandages, slings and an afghan. This branch held a Christmas meeting, the singing of carols being one of the features. Several boxes for needy persons were filled, also wood supplied to some.

—J. Graham,
County Publicity Convenor

DOUBT AS TO DATE.

December Twenty-Fifth Probably Not Christ's Birthday

It is not definitely known when Christmas was first celebrated. The institution of the festival is attributed to Telesphorus who flourished in the reign of Antoninus Pius (131-161 A.D.) This, however, is not historical.

It has often been objected that December 25 cannot be the true date of the birth of Christ, for it is then the rainy season in Palestine and shepherds would scarcely have been watching their sheep by night in the fields. The reason for the final choice of December 25 cannot now be determined. A widespread feast of the Great Mother may have influenced the decision, also the desire to place a Christian feast in opposition to the Roman feast of "Sol Invectus" at the winter solstice.

The Germans held their great Yule feast in commemoration of the return of the fiery sun, and many of the beliefs and usages of the old Germans and Romans relating to this matter passed from heathenism to Christianity and have survived to the present day. As Christianity spread, the feast of the winter solstice, the time when the days begin to lengthen, and light to triumph over darkness, was changed into the Feast of Christ, the Light of Life.

FINALITY

"And had the deceased any financial worries?" asked the coroner.

"None at all," replied the witness. "He was bankrupt."

W.I. Extends Work

During the past few weeks, two new Branches of the Quebec Women's Institutes have been organized, one at Mille Isles in Argenteuil County, the other at Windsor Mills in Richmond County. This brings the total number of Branches up to 105, with a membership of over two thousand.

Waitresses are warned not to paint their fingernails as it takes the customer's mind off his food. It also stains the soup. —Ottawa Citizen

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Battle Standard of First Division May Be Finally Adopted as Canada's Official Flag

BRITISH TRADE AGREEMENT WILL ENSURE GROWTH OF CANADIAN BACON PRODUCTION; FORMER CHAIRMAN OF CBC IS APPOINTED OFFICIAL WAR RECORDER

Ottawa, Dec. 26th — A Yuletide atmosphere has settled on the capital, but it is the holiday spirit of a nation at war in which grimness, anxiety and cheerfulness are intermingled. There is the satisfaction and pride felt here as elswhere throughout the country that the first Canadian division are comfortably settled in billets in Britain, having crossed the sea without mishap. The successful crossing under the wing of the main battle fleet, recent naval exploits, and the announcement of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan have been stimulating in war's dark hours. Except during the bare holidays there is however no pause in the war effort by the various agencies at work at Ottawa.

Word has been given out by the Minister of National Defence that from 6,000 to 7,000 corps troops will be sent over as auxiliary to the 16,000 men of the first division. There will be a squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force, under the command of Squadron Leader Van Vliet of Winnipeg. It is a Toronto unit which will draw for its complement from airmen stationed at Winnipeg and Ottawa. The additional forces will also be comprised of medium and heavy artillery, an artillery survey unit, engineers, signal units, army service corps, ordnance corps, hospital units and a fully equipped dental unit. The despatch of the air squadron illustrates the importance of the air service not only in its own special sphere but as an aid to the military forces in the field. The duty of the squadron will be to cooperate with ground troops, to obtain information concerning enemy movements, gun positions and observation posts.

The Minister of National Defence has told us that over 65,000 men have been enlisted in the Canadian Active Service Force, and that over 10,000 are guarding our coastal defences, a precaution made necessary by the sweeping changes that have taken place in offensive arms since the last war. The personnel of the Canadian navy is over 5,000 and the present strength of the air force is over 8,000 officers and men and the number is growing rapidly.

AIR TRAINING PLAN

Of the greatest magnitude and of the most importance to the prosecution of the war is the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. When this project is in full operation there will be 67 training schools throughout Canada. The staff of these schools and fields, not including the student body of airmen from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Great Britain receiving advanced training, will amount to 40,000. For the past six or seven weeks members of the air force and of the transport department have been carrying out preliminary work, deciding on sites for the schools, making surveys and planning necessary structures. It is believed that Australia and New Zealand will supply one-fifth of the students to be trained in Canada. Preliminary instruction will be given at home and there are, of course, advanced schools in those dominions in which many students will receive final instruction. But many will come to Canada, and Britain will send airmen as well. The British Government will see that schools are kept fully supplied with student airmen. It is estimated that the vast enterprise will involve a total cost of 600 million dollars for the 3¼ years which is the prospective term of its life, the expenses to be divided among the four partners in the plan on an agreed basis.

OFFICIAL WAR RECORDER APPOINTED

Leonard Brockington, former chairman of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation has been appointed Canada's official war recorder. Within the sphere of his duties he will act in an advisory capacity to the war cabinet. The Prime Minister's official announcement in relation to the appointment states he will "advise and assist the government in providing accurate and essential information in these respects (the recording and interpretation of Canada's war effort) to the people of Canada and the government of the United Kingdom, and assist the Prime Minister by keeping a chronicle and other essential records of the progress of Canada's war effort". For 14 years Mr. Brockington was city solicitor of Calgary and in 1935 was appointed counsel to the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association.

NEW BACON BOARD

A bacon board has been appointed to carry out the provisions from Canada's end of the recent agreement negotiated with Britain to supply that market during the war with 40,000 to 50,000 hundredweight (112 pounds per cwt) of bacon weekly at a price of $20.18 per cwt f.o.b. Canadian ports. The board with a membership of five has as its chairman J. G. Taggart, Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan, and it will be assisted by an advisory committee, the personnel of which is drawn from various parts of the country. As uniformity of shipment is an important consideration in the agreement, the board will probably have to arrange different seasonal prices to be paid to farmers to make up for differences in the cost of raising hogs in various periods of the year. The settlement of prices to be paid packers and farmers will be part of its duty. It is felt that the agreement will ensure a satisfactory growth of the bacon business in Canada.

DISTINCTIVE FLAG FOR CANADA

When parliament meets late in January, it is believed that when the major issues involved in Canada's war effort have been discussed and acted upon by the people's representatives, the country may adopt a national flag. The standard of the first division with its Union Jack, Maple Leaves and Fleur de Lis, has met with such favorable comment that it is felt that it may be accepted as the flag for the country. Colonel Fortescue Duguid of Ottawa made the design.

Colorful Scene as Good Parishioners Flock to Midnight Mass

Crowds of faithful parishioners flocked to midnight mass in the two Catholic parishes of this town on Christmas Eve. In the Ste. Anastasie and St. Julien Churches, special Christmas messages, music and singing were enjoyed by the large congregations. Those who observed the crowds, including large families, youngsters, men and women bent with the burden of their years, as they trudged to church in the frosty night air, were reminded of a subject painted in the happy scenes of this province. The colorful Christmas trees and lighted windows, and the quiet devotion depicted in the muffled shapes of faithful church-goers, set an inspiring theme for the artist's brush.



TO OUR FELLOW CITIZENS AND DISTANT READERS . . . .

Together with a sincere wish for personal happiness, health and welfare. The Watchman echoes that desire that is in every heart these troublous days — that, while contributing in their particular spheres of duty, our friends and their loved ones may be spared the toll of war, and that the New Year may usher back the quiet contentment and progress of nations at enduring peace.

THE LACHUTE WATCHMAN

Mayor of St. Janvier Dies After Automobile Accident

Mayor Euclide Cloutier, of St. Janvier Parish, was fatally injured in an automobile accident on the Montreal-Mont Laurier highway on Tuesday of last week and died on Saturday in the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Montreal.

Mayor Cloutier was driving his buggy south on the main highway in the village when it was struck by an automobile driven by Olivier Racicot, of Toronto. Cloutier was tossed out and sent sliding quite a distance into a pole. He suffered a fracture of the skull and a broken right thigh. After being given treatment by a local doctor he was rushed to the hospital, where he died Saturday afternoon.

Ottawa Hospital Receives Gift From English Philanthropist

Ottawa General Hospital has the honor of being the first such institution in the Ottawa district to receive from Lord Nuffield, wealthy English industrialist and philanthropist, the gift of an Iron Lung. Lord Nuffield some time ago announced he would give one of these modern therapeutic mechanisms to all hospitals in the British Empire which lacked one. Other hospitals expect to receive their gifts within the near future.

Canada's Army on the Air



The Special Events Department of the CBC will present for listeners of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's National Network another feature broadcast devoted to Canada's Fighting Services. This exceptionally interesting broadcast, entitled, "The Story of Canada's Army", will be heard Friday, December 29, at 9.00 p.m. from Toronto. Presented as a sound-picture of war-time activities of troops from coast-to-coast, the broadcast will include accounts of Army manoeuvres in various parts of the Dominion. These were prepared in training centres at Halifax, Montreal, Camp Borden, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver.

The above photographs show some of the war-time activities to be featured during the broadcast of "The Story of Canada's Army". The various units which go to make up a division will be heard in actual training operations across Canada. The actuality items will concern the big guns and a coast defence battery. Various phases of the work of the signals and the infantry in training will be outlined. Actual tactical exercises in the field will also be a highlight of this timely broadcast.

Lost Seven Brothers in Great War, Thomas Hoggan Again Joins Up

NOTED CURLING ENTHUSIAST AT SEIGNIORY CLUB

Though he lost seven brothers in the Great War, in which he himself was wounded at the age of 19, Thomas Hoggan, head gardener of the Seigniory Club, is again serving with the armed forces of the King. His chief and associates at the club presented him with a purse of gold and a handsome wrist watch as tokens of their esteem. "Tommy" is a devotee of the roarin' game and he will be missed by curlers of the district who have visited the Seigniory Club. Time and again he has piped a welcome to them in his Highland dress. Now his pipes will skirl along the roads of war as he marches with the Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa (M.G.)

During the Great War he served with the 1st Battalion of the 79th Regiment, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. Six of his brothers died on active service with this unit and a seventh died in Scotland as a result of wounds he suffered while serving with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

The Camerons in Ottawa are allied with the 79th, and as a result he again wears the kilt of Cameron of Ercht.

The feeling of unrest that had been working in Tommy's breast since the outbreak of the war was brought to a definite head when he heard on the eve of Thanksgiving that German aircraft had been bombing his native Scotland. Forthwith he decided to enlist. Two of his brothers were then serving with the old family regiment. The very next day he went to Ottawa to join up.

H. L. Turst and Cyril Chapman made the presentations to piper Hoggan at a colorful gathering. Tommy was piped to the Seigniory Club by braw brother pipers who sounded the pibroch in lusty Highland fashion. Shortly after the last notes of "The March of the Cameron Men" had died away, the two gifts were presented. Tommy's cup of happiness was filled to overflowing when the Highlanders were presented with silver spoons which they won in a curling match during the evening.

Tommy Hoggan still has a Scottish burr. He also has the taciturnity of the Scot, though in his case it is entirely divorced from any dourness. He carries with him the best wishes of hundreds of friends who hope that he will have a speedy return to his home in Montebello.

"The art of war consists in bringing the greatest possible force to bear at the right place at the right time."

—Prime Minister Chamberlain

Motorists Urged "Put Brakes On Holiday Drinking"

"Put the brakes on your drinking" is the advice to motorists given by Hon. Alfred Leduc, president, Province of Quebec Safety League, as a sound reminder that too many drinks during the holiday season may spoil the fun for a good many drivers.

"Ample proof has been given," continued Mr. Leduc, "that only four or five cocktails may impair a driver's efficiency enormously. The feeling of elation we have after a couple of drinks often has a great influence on the way we step on the accelerator. Many an able motorist, a careful and considerate driver, when sober, after a few good drinks, will become a daredevil. The happy, back-slapping, hand-clapping, partially drunk is often more dangerous a driver than the fully inebriated one who, fortunately, at times is conscious of his state of intoxication."

"Why let two or three extra drinks spoil your holidays and perhaps your whole life," concluded Mr. Leduc, "if you feel that you have had enough, cut short on your drinking. If you feel that you have had too much, call a taxi; it will make things safer for yourself, your party and other users of the streets."

Revisits Boyhood Haunts After 35 Years' Absence

Harry C. Mitchell, of Prince Albert, Sask., has returned here to the scenes of his boyhood days after an absence of 35 years. Paying a friendly call on The Watchman, Mr. Mitchell told of the hardships encountered in the early struggles of making his western home, where he and his wife have raised a fine family of six sons and three daughters. He is visiting his brother, Hugh, and his two sisters, Mrs. W. W. Hume and Mrs. Geo. O'Brien, of Thurso, and is also renewing acquaintances with his old-time friends. He paid tribute to the splendid growth of this town, the fine buildings, and the general appearance of its streets, which have undergone great changes since he left in 1904.

RESOLUTIONS

Si Peterkins Sez : Nary a one of us will keep all the resolutions we make. Ef we do, it will be because they weren't very many or very good. But by making a few we'll become a little nearer to bein' fit to live with in 1940 than as though we didn't.



M.P. JOINS ARMY

Captain J. J. Mildenberger, member of the Saskatchewan Legislature for Swift Current constituency, will be the first of that province's legislative members to see active service. Capt. Mildenberger has been with the Canadian Light Horse since 1934 but at the outbreak of war he was transferred to the paymaster's office at Regina military headquarters and then to the Saskatoon Light Infantry, machine gun unit, an overseas regiment.

K. of C. Army Huts Campaign Goes Over the Top

$1,000 CAMPAIGN OBJECTIVE IS WELL SURPASSED

The Grand Knight of the local K.C. Council, Dr. E. Lalande, makes the gratifying announcement that the Lachute and district objective of $1,000 in the Army Huts Campaign was well surpassed, the total amount collected here being $1,626.35. At the closing of the campaign last week Dr. Lalande expressed appreciation to the subscribers and canvassers who had contributed their efforts to this splendid achievement. "The success of this campaign", he observed, "is the result of mutual understanding of the debt we owe to our Canadian soldiers — who, in turn, will appreciate the generosity of our people. This demonstration of our support is the least we can do; it is a form of contribution, however small, which the Knights of Columbus are glad to make towards the country's effort to win the war."

King's Message Is Climax to Empire Radio Program

GREETINGS HEARD FROM LAND, SEA AND AIR IN WORLD-WIDE BROADCAST

The King in a broadcast to his Empire at war, said on Christmas morning that his people stand "prepared to sacrifice everything in order that freedom of the spirit may be saved to the world." His Majesty gave words and cheer and courage to the fighting men, and to his 500,000,000 subjects who are behind him.

Listeners heard descriptions of Christmas in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, followed by the voices of a Newfoundland fisherman, a Canadian pilot, a New Zealand farmer, Australian munitions workers, a Malayan naval rating, an Indian officer and a South African defence officer.

High over "somewhere in England" a Royal Air Force pilot, flying at 5,000 feet, spoke his message of goodwill, while from a destroyer leaving a harbor to go on patrol duty, came also the words of the Yuletide.

Back in the heart of England, in a peaceful little Cotswold village, a 70-year-old shepherd was waiting by the microphone to introduce the King. He was Walter Handy, who gave the Empire's greeting to the late King George V at the end of the Christmas day program in 1934.

"We cannot tell what the New Year at hand will bring — if it brings the peace for which all men hope, how thankful we all shall be," said His Majesty, sitting alone in his study at Sandringham. "But if it brings a renewed struggle, it shall find us undaunted."

The King concluded his broadcast by reading this quotation from an unidentified source:

"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year, 'give the light that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied, 'go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than any known way.'"

The King emphasized that while the Empire wished peace it stands steadfast in the struggle on which it has embarked.

"We feel in our hearts," he said, "that we are fighting against wickedness and this conviction will give us strength from day to day to persevere until victory is assured.

"At home we are, as it were, taking the strain for what may lie ahead of us, resolved and confident. We look with pride and thankfulness on the never-failing courage of the Royal Navy upon which throughout the last four months has burst a storm of ruthlessness and unceasing warfare.

"And when I speak of the Navy I mean all the men of the Empire who go down to the sea in ships . . . from the senior officers down to the last boy who has just joined up.

"The same message I send to our gallant air force. . . . I would also like to send a special word of greeting to the armies of the Empire — to those who come from afar — and especially to the British Expeditionary Force. Their task is a hard one, that of waiting. But when the moment comes for action I know they will prove themselves worthy of the great traditions of their service."

MEN OF FIRST CONTINGENT FROM NINE PROVINCES

Of the Canadian troops which landed safely in England recently, it is stated that, in full battle dress, armed and equipped as no other Canadian overseas force, the men were all fighting fit. They disembarked in good order and were whisked off to prepared camps somewhere in England. On Canadian soil, only a short time before, the Prime Minister of Canada, and Honourable Norman Rogers, Minister of National Defence, had wished Major-General McNaughton, commanding officer of the First Division, his officers and men Godspeed. And as the great convoy ploughed its way eastward from a Canadian Atlantic port, the battle-flag of the Division flying for the first time, ship orders to the troops contained the following message from the Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King :

"I should like to give you and, through you, to the officers and the men of the first overseas division, a farewell message from Canada, as you all leave our shores on the great mission which takes you overseas to the theatre of war in Europe.

"You know that no public leave-taking has been possible, but we desire that you also know that the hearts of the people of Canada are with you, and that until your return, which we trust may be at a day not too far distant, we will follow you with our sympathy, our gratitude and our prayers.

"You go each one of you, of your own free will, through the promptings of your own heart, at the dictates of your own conscience, that Canada may take her place at the side of Britain and of France in the present war. Through brutal aggression and oppression war has been thrust upon innocent nations by a foe who seeks domination of the world by force. You go to protect and preserve for your own and others, all that is most precious in life. In your keeping and that of the brave men with whom you will be associated lie the liberty and security of individuals, of families and of nations in the present and future life. The land you love, the joys of home, peace and freedom of mind, heart and soul are all a part of the sacred heritage youth seeks to preserve.

"Be sustained in your arduous endeavours by the high purpose of the cause in which you have enlisted. Yours is a great crusade. You are the defenders of the faith, of all who believe in the God of righteousness, truth and justice. Civilization itself is at stake. Never before in the history of the world were the issues so great, or the outcome of conflict of such consequence to mankind. With hearts full of gratitude and pride we bid you Godspeed, knowing that whatever may lie before you, you will continue throughout courageously to uphold the cause that so chivalrously you have made your own."



PAINTING WINS FIRST PRIZE IN CARNEGIE EXHIBIT

Titled "Georgia Jungle", this painting by Alexander Brook won first prize of $1,000 in 1939 Carnegie Institute International Exhibition in Pittsburg. Brook is an instructor in the Art Students' League, New York.

Minister: "Now Macpherson why don't you fight against your longing for drink ? When you are tempted, think of your wife at home."

Macpherson (thoughtfully): "When the thirst is upon me, I am absolutely devoid of fear."

Old Hen: "I'll give you a piece of good advice."

Young Hen: "What is it?"

Old Hen: "An egg a day keeps the butcher away!"

HITLER SANTA CLAUS TO MAKERS OF BRITISH TOYS

Santa Claus brought more British-made toys to children of Empire countries this Christmas than ever before.

Children want realism and the topical touch, so this year's "fashion" was chiefly for working models of warships, complete balloon barrage units, the mechanized Army, and of course, soldiers and guns.

The British toy manufacturers' export orders this year were far greater than last year, and the war has stimulated the trade, for orders during the second month of the war showed a big advance on those for October, 1938, the month after the "peace of Munich".

"The Great War did a great deal to establish Britain's toy industry at the expense of Germany, and now the British blockade is helping history to repeat itself," said Mr. Walter Lines, president of the British Toy Manufacturers' Association. "In recent years British makers have given special attention to realistic, scale-model mechanical toys instead of producing something bigger for the money, but incorrect in detail. Consequently we have beaten the Germans at their own game."

Traditional Christmas toys like dolls and rocking horses were also shipped by the hundred thousand all over the Empire; and among foreign lands, the countries of South America, particularly the Argentine, were good customers. Even the children of Iceland found British toys in their Christmas stockings.

Alert to business opportunity, and appreciating his home-town newspaper, the advertising merchant deserves support in either motive — for such merchant is the mainstay of local progress.

CLUNG TO THE KILT

Although the kilt is no longer fashionable fighting garb in the British Army, it is known that one Scottish unit sailing with the First Division of the Canadian Active Service Force wore the beloved filibeg. However, this garment will later be discarded for the new battle uniform in order to establish and maintain a standard in dress.

At the moment an earnest battle-by-letter is being carried on in the columns of London papers regarding the merits or otherwise of the kilt, the majority of participants in the controversy being medical men. All of them are positively pro or con, with no sympathy for the opposition.

In the midst of this battle of the post an interlude was furnished by a present day Fraser who furnished an extract from an ancestor's diary written during winter operations at Quebec. The officer ancestor, one of Fraser's Regiment, wrote of the distress caused by lack of trousers in "this terrible climate." He added that the Ursuline Nuns had been generous in knitting long woollen hose for the Scots soldiers.

Watchman Want Ads do 'big advertising' for folks of modest means.

ONE MASCOT SAILED

"No Mascots" was the effect of an order to all units of the First Division of the Canadian Active Service Force and, apparently, only one lot got away with a modest infraction of the rule, a lively Airedale pup scrambling past someone's blind eye. The Airedale had been smuggled into the port of embarcation by an Ontario Scottish unit. There are stringent quarantine regulations across the seas and it is highly probable the pup will have an enforced stay "Somewhere."

This was in strong comparison with the sailing of the First Contingent of the Canadian Expeditionary Force in 1914. No unit was complete without its mascot and the fleet assembled in Gaspe Basin sheltered a varied assortment of dogs, big and little, bear cubs and goats. This Noah's Ark contingent was promptly gathered up on arrival in England but even that drastic measure failed to diminish the army's faith in animal mascots.

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60 Years Ago

Friday, December 26, 1879

A recent despatch from London says that Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise will sail for Canada on the 22nd of January.

The national policy of the Canadian Government has at last brought the Americans to terms, and they are now anxious for a Reciprocity Treaty between Canada and the United States.

At St. Louis, Dan Rice, the famous circus man, announces that he has been converted and will at once enter the field as an evangelist. He had an interview with Mr. Moody, and probably will begin his new career by speaking at Moody's meeting.

It is understood that tenders will be called for another 100 miles of the Canadian Pacific Railway, west of Winnipeg, in the course of a few days. The engineer's reports are about ready.

On Saturday night about 12 o'clock, we were visited by a genuine Aretic wave; the thermometer dropped to 30 degrees below, and the storm in all its fury blew a perfect hurricane.

25 Years Ago

Friday, December 25, 1914

The cemetery committee held a meeting on Saturday last, and made final arrangements for their incorporation at the next session of the legislature.

Editorial — At first thought, war, such a war as the world has never experienced, and Christmas, the celebration of the Prince of Peace, seem so utterly opposed to one another that it would seem unthinkable to observe Christmas in the usual way. The present war is a direct outcome of the opposite influences to those which characterize Christmas and the ideals for which it stands. The suppression of militarism in Germany will mean the nearest possibility of the fulfilment of the Christmas ideals.

The bad storm on Monday last was the cause of Mr. Eddie Kettyle losing one of his horses. The animal became suddenly frightened at the appearance of a railroad snowplow, and freeing itself from the sleigh, dashed in front and raced some 12 miles down the track near Ste. Scholastique. It was overtaken by the plow and instantly killed.

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EDITORIAL

EVERYBODY'S PROBLEM

Getting jobs for more people is a problem which cannot be thrown into the lap of big business. Nor can it be left forever with the government. It is a problem for all our people to work on, in every possible way.

A manufacturer found that for some time his business had been running at a loss. One reason was that his workers had become too sure of his kindness and their union-protected security. Waste was titanic. Efficiency had taken a slide. Production was low per dollar invested. In despair the owner signified his intentions of closing his plant and starting elsewhere with cheap, "unspoiled" labor.

On hearing this a committee of workers pleaded with him. He told them the simple facts of waste, inefficiency and underproduction. They convinced him they could and would do better.

With a new chance they one and all began to cut down waste. Then two of the older workers were sent out on the road as salesmen. They learned plenty. They found that prospective customers were keen for quality and appearance, yet wanted to buy so that they could retail cheaply. When these two worker-salesmen came back and talked to their fellow workers they made them sit up and take notice. Presently better goods began flowing through the plant at reduced costs, without lowering wages or throwing out the union.

At lower prices thus made possible, more of the company's units are being sold. and all concerned have more employment. Within a few months new people will need to be added to the payroll.

More people would buy more things, especially in the way of home furnishings and appliances, if costs were lowered and quality raised.

The dictator nations claim they can beat us to world markets because they can force quantity-quality production at low cost. Whole hearted worker-owner co-operation can beat any high-pressured, dictator-forced production anywhere in the world !

Here's something we can all think about and help work out.

TAXES AND CRITICISM

In the *Oklahoma Municipal Review* David Fudge, who calls himself "The Cracker Barrel Philosopher", sums up the public's attitude on Taxes and Criticism as follows :

Since the day when that primeval genius hit upon the idea of taxes to support government, governments have been figuring out ways to collect enough to keep going, and citizens have been figuring out ways to keep from being taxed to death. The struggle between them has been unending — and likely will ever be.

The astonishing thing about taxation is that the centuries of it have not evolved a modicum of public intelligence about it. Despite taxpayers' leagues, research bureaus, chambers of commerce and similar devices by the thousands, Roosevelt's citizens squawk as loudly, and as senselessly, as did Caesar's.

Why don't we start all over again, and begin with the plain fact that no sane government wants to kill the goose that lays the golden egg by taxing the citizens into poverty; and no sane citizen wants to ruin himself by starving his government into dissolution ?

Baseball is supposed to be the great American game, but that is only because there is a way of counting the gate. Actually, of all the forms of sport indulged in by sport-loving Americans, probably none has so many enthusiastic devotees as the pleasurable, inexpensive one of cussing public office holders.

We can criticize their hits and second-guess their misses; we can condemn their policies and damn their practices — all to our hearts' content, and without paying out anything but wind. We can dish it out and never have to worry about taking it.

But the poor public office holder — what about him ? Oh, we can say, he has it coming to him, he ought not to have run for office if he didn't want to get slapped. He stuck his neck out, and he shouldn't holler if he gets it stepped on.

The trouble is, too many of us followers of this fine old sport never stop to think about our target — about the responsibilities he shoulders, about the job he must do, neck stuck out and all. We never pause to consider the weight of his burden, or the seriousness of his task. We are unmindful of the unfairness of our attacks, or of his obligation to suffer in silence. We do not care that his position is that of the darkey in the old-time county fair concession where you paid a dime to throw three baseballs at his head — only you don't have to pay the dime.

Our sport is great fun, but it is putting the premium on public officials who are good dodgers rather than good administrators.

Sometimes, I think it would be fun to take the town's most vociferous cusser of officials and put him in the most responsible public office available — just to see what he would do.

My guess is a great gloom would descend upon him like a shroud, and he would shortly develop a bad case of what baseball players call "rabbit ears." The first few rude tromps upon his outstretched neck might evoke lusty yells, but in the overwhelming number of indignities they would soon fade to faint bleats, and then be heard no more.

What is the matter with all the humane societies ?

THE FATHER OF MODERN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

In 1871, there arose in Birminghan, England, a body of enlightened citizens under the leader of the late Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain, (father of the present Prime Minister). Mr. Chamberlain who subsequently attained considerable fame as a distinguished parliamentarian and Colonial Secretary under the Salisbury administration, originally emerged from comparative obscurity as a Councillor of the City of Birmingham and a leader of enlightened and progressive municipal policy. He was responsible for starting the campaign for the acquisition by local authorities of all trading undertakings rendering services essential to the welfare of the community. Under his leadership the Birmingham Council in as far back as 1873 embarked on a vigorous policy of slum eradication, the establishment of housing schemes and the provision of parks and recreation facilities for the people, and in 1876 laid the foundation stone for the Birmingham School of Art, as evidence of the determination of the city of Birmingham to regard the cultural development of the people as a legitimate function of the local authority. He attracted to the service of the Birmingham Council a body of officials of proved administrative capacity and high technical efficiency and became the pioneer of the practice of restricting the activities of his fellow-Councillors to deciding the policy of Birmingham Town Council and vesting in the technical officials full responsibility for ensuring that approved schemes were efficiently and economically carried out. Prior to the advent of Mr. Chamberlain, municipal posts were held under the patronage of the elected Councillors; and the occupants were invariably inefficient and the salaries paid were out of all proportion to the value of the services rendered. Officials were expected, however, to devote a substantial proportion of their earnings to the entertainment of the Councillors and their families. They were expected to shoulder without complaint the misdeeds of the Town Councillors and were constantly pilloried for acts of maladministration arising from the ineptitude of those set in authority over them. The advent of Mr. Chamberlain in Birmingham, however, represented the dawn of a new era as it became his invariable practice to resist all attempts to criticize adversely the work of the Council's officials and zealously defend them in the Council Chamber. It would appear, therefore, that municipal officials owe a very considerable debt of gratitude to this distinguished gentleman.

Resolution — In the interests of my town and its institutions, to patronize the home merchants who contribute to their support; to express my neighborliness, not in mere words, but in terms of business co-operation the year 'round.

With each returning year, higher joys, holier aims, a purer peace and diviner energy, should freshen the fragrance of being.

—Mary Baker Eddy

Grow old along with me.
The best is yet to be. —Browning

Not the Mere Fabric... But the Spirit and Soul

A NATION AT PRAYER

A Day of National Prayer serves to emphasize a truth of the highest importance. It reminds us that the present conflict, perhaps in a unique degree, is ultimately not material but spiritual, that the clash is, in the last resort, not between armies or governments but between irreconcilable creeds. . . . If we set ourselves to destroy what is wrong in the sight of man, this is only that we may defend what is right in the sight of God. With infinite reluctance we have faced the detestable horrors of war because in no other way, as it seemed, . . . could we save for mankind His gifts of freedom, happiness, and spiritual life. When bloodstained paganism menaces Europe, people of all faiths, Christian or otherwise, who believe in God, are ready for any sacrifice, knowing that what they fight for is not the mere fabric of civilization but its spirit and its soul.

This can be said with no trace of self-righteousness. Some religious teachers are at the moment so afraid of this fault that they impute the war in part to our national or individual sins. Our collective and separate shortcomings are real enough, yet it was not these which at last broke down our persistent and repeated efforts for peace. We entered on war only when to take any other course would have been to betray not merely human freedom but the laws of God. Aware of this, we can the better pray for the speedy coming of a real peace, not for the sake of a return to security and comfort, but because the gaining of such a peace alone justifies the loathsome necessity of war.

THE TIMES, London.

Dale Carnegie



Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."

SUPERSTITIOUS PEOPLE

Are you superstitious? And have you been taunted about it? Well, if so, don't wory, for you have good company.

In the spring of 1909, Admiral Peary was the first man in history to reach the Pole; and he did it after 23 years of heartbreak and cruel discouragement; and on his final dash to the Pole, he wore a good luck coin pinned to his shirt !

Seventeen years later, Commander Richard E. Byrd was the first man ever to fly over the North Pole, and as he flew over it, he had pinned to his shirt the same good luck coin that Peary had carried, and he actually rubbed it with his fingers the moment he flew over the Pole. That little good luck coin is the only known object that has even been to the North Pole twice.

Napoleon Bonaparte conquered Europe and changed the map around as if it were a jigsaw puzzle — and yet he was afraid of black cats.

Peter the Great was the most famous and cruel Czar who ever sat on the bloody throne of Russia. He was so cruel that he murdered his own son, yet he was afraid to cross a tiny bridge unless he made a holy sign.

Lord Nelson is the greatest naval hero in English history, yet he was so superstitious that he had a horse shoe nailed to the mast of his ship during the famous battle of Trafalgar.

Dr. Samuel Johnson, one of the most brilliant intellects in all the annals of English literature, was so superstitious that he struck every lamp post that he passed with his cane.

The day after Abraham Lincoln was elected President, he looked into a mirror and saw his body reflected with two faces and one of them very pale; he feared that was a sign of oncoming death.

George Washington had an iron band put on his step-daughter, Patsy to cure her of epilepsy. Think of it. But she finally died of epilepsy, so I guess the iron ring was no protection after all.

The director in 47 corporations and the head of a hundred million dollar investment trust, has hundreds of ivory elephants in his home.

Years ago, when a strike was on, and he was worried, a little girl brought him a tin elephant and told him that it would bring him good luck. A few days later the strike was settled to his satisfaction, and ever since then, he has been collecting "good luck" elephants.

Now when he has an important decision to make, he always holds a little elephant between his second and third fingers for luck. When the stock market is going up, he wears a blue silk tie embroidered with a white elephant.

So don't allow people to make you think yourself crazy if you are superstitious. But don't let your superstition drive you to silly antics, or get between you and your goal. If it doesn't do these things, then be superstitious and don't worry about it.

Eric the Red, Norwegian, Gave Name to Greenland

It was Eric the Red, a Norwegian, who first called it Greenland—to make people want to go there. Eric sailed west from Iceland in 982 to find the islands reported by an earlier Norwegian sailor, Gunnbjorn, and for three years he explored the southwest coasts of Gunnbjorn's land. Then he went back, rounded up 25 boatloads of colonists and returned to Greenland with them to build his house at Brattalid, north of where Julianehaab now stands, states a writer in the Indianapolis News.

A few years later, Leif Ericson introduced Christianity. The Norsemen came and died out. The Eskimos stayed on. Denmark acquired sovereign rights to Greenland's west coast plus Angmagsalik, an eastern trading station, and in 1917 took over the whole island. Norway kicked about bear hunting and sealing rights on the east coast, but the Danes sat tight. Today Greenland is Denmark's only colony. It has a total area of 736,518 square miles (bigger than Alaska, but smaller than Mexico), of which only 31,284 square miles (about South Carolina's size) are free of the perpetual ice sheet.

CLOSING YEAR

By George Dodd Carrington

Hope on !
Dream thy great dreams—
Live with them
Strive while you hope and dream
Make the visions realities.
Advocate your ideals—
Sacrifice for them
And for the right.
Seek truth
Live greatly.
Fuse it all with beauty.
Your days, then, must be lovely—
Your life wonderful !
Each year will close
Only to open another
Of wider horizons
And greater interests.

—Self-Help Psychology



Retrospect... Optimism

Viewing the business of the past year . . . the progress in spite of influences that handicap every phase of activity . . . and, above all, the kindly relationships that temper the commercial routine . . . we are grateful for the support we have received, and optimistic for a continuance of good progress both in our own particular enterprise and in the community with which it is so pleasurably linked.

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District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

HARRINGTON

Mr. S. McCabe, of Montreal, and Mr. R. McCabe, of Calumet, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. McCabe.

Mrs. N. E. McCaig, of Mascouche, spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. C. Bennett.

Gnr. H. Shears, of Ottawa, spent part of the week visiting friends in Harrington.

Mr. N. Poulter, of Brownsburg, visited with his parents over the week-end.

Mr. Bert McGregor and son, Herbert, are spending part of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bennett.

The Misses Beulah and Pearl McNeil, of Montreal, visited their home at Bell's Falls on Sunday.

Mr. J. Dobbie spent Christmas with his parents in Lachute.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett and daughter, Lois, motored to Morin Heights to spend Christmas with Mrs. Bennett's parents.

Mr. D. J. Bates, Mr. Laurence Bates and Misses Mona and Ivy Bates spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bennett.

Mr. R. Weavers, of Toronto, held service in the Rivington Baptist Church on Sunday.

Miss Ivy McLean, of Macdonald College, is spending the holiday at her home in Bell's Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. N. McCallum and family spent Christmas in Arundel.

Mrs. J. Bates and family, of Calumet, spent Christmas at Gale House.

Mr. S. McTavish is spending the holiday at Rouyn, Que.

MORIN HEIGHTS

The annual Christmas Tree was held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20th. School closed on Friday afternoon.

Miss Patricia Davis, of Montreal, spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Davis.

Miss Bertha Woods, of Montreal, visited friends here over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy and daughter, Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. William Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Doherty and family, also Mr. Norman Doherty, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. George Scott at Lachute.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene were Christmas guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. R. Robinson, Lakeside.

Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Davis included the Buxton family, from Mille Isles, Miss F. Saunders, Shawbridge, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, St. Donat.

Mr. James Palmer, of Montreal, spent the week-end at Laurentian Rest Inn. He leaves on Saturday, Dec. 30th for Boston to take up a new position. Friends wish him success in his new enterprise.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gilbey included Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilbey and daughter, Violet, also Miss Pearl Gilbey, all of Montreal.

Mrs. Jeikell is spending the holidays at the home of her son, Dr. Victor Jeikell, in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davis spent Christmas in Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Weirs and Mr. Miles Aumais, of Montreal, were Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

Three of our soldier boys arrived safely in England with the first Canadian contingent—G. Cameron, E. Kneeland and G. Senogles.

Oxhide Used as Canoe

The drea, an inflated oxhide, is used as a canoe on the waters of the river Sutlej, India. The ease with which this curious craft can be carried is a great advantage; on the other hand, it is so easily overturned when afloat that great care and skill are required in its manipulation. The native lies across the drea, which he propels with his hands or with a short paddle, and steers with his feet. If a passenger is carried, he sits astride of the "crew," which must make the balancing of the vessel still more difficult.

MILLE ISLES

Mr. Albert Noble, of Montreal, spent the Christmas holiday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Silverson, of Lakefield, and Miss Lena Silverson, of Montreal, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Elder.

Mrs. John E. Ward has returned from the city, also her son Laurence, who has been in Montreal General Hospital for some time under observation and treatment. His condition is greatly improved and his friends hope it continues.

Miss Ray Silverson spent the week-end at Lily Crest.

LAKEFIELD

Over Christmas week-end the Rev. C. W. P. Baugh played Santa Claus to the children of Louisa and Dunany, distributing gifts to each child following his regular church services in those places. This coming Sunday he will play a similar role to the children of Shrewsbury.

Mr. Horace G. Baugh is making rapid recovery from his recent serious illness, and hopes to resume his theological studies at the Diocesan College in Montreal early in January.

Among holiday guests at the parsonage are Miss M. Baugh, B.A., of North Hatley, Que., and Messrs. Howand and John Baugh, of Montreal and Campbell's Bay, Que., respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Tomalty are spending the holiday season in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Shearsmith and son, Victor, are leaving this week for Brownsburg, where Mr. Shearsmith has secured a position.

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Boyd and son, Wayne, also Miss Mildred Syvret, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Syvret.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollingworth, of Dixie, were week-end visitors with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Seale.

Mr. Harold Brown spent the week-end in town.

Miss Eunice Seale, of Mille Isles, is spending the two weeks' holiday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Seale.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Johnson and daughter, Margaret, visited with relatives during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett and daughter, Lois, of Harrington, visited the later's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seale, during the week-end, also attending the family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hamilton on Christmas Day.

Mr. Thos. McCullough, also Mr. and Mrs. F. Riddell, of Montreal, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. McCullough.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McDowall and baby were week-end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Seale.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kennedy spent the week-end as guests of the latter's parents in Montreal.

Miss Olive Boyd spent a few days in Montreal last week, attending the wedding of Miss May Robson to Mr. Robt. Kneeland on Friday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Seale and daughter, Doreen, spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch.

A surprise birthday party was held for Mr. Victor McCullough on Friday evening last, when a number of friends assembled at his home. An enjoyable evening was spent.

(Intended for last issue)

The Women's Auxiliary held a successful afternoon tea and bazaar at Minto House.

Mrs. F. T. Watchorn and daughter, Barbara, visited friends in Montreal for a few days.

Mr. Lawson Kennedy has done quite a business hauling Christmas trees into the city.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 13th, friends of this community assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watchorn for a surprise party to Mr. and Mrs. George Watchorn, when the happy couple were presented with a beautiful mantel clock and a barometer. Lt.-Col. J. E. Seale made the presentation and in a few well-chosen words expressed the best wishes of the community for their future happiness.

On Tuesday evening the Women's Association met in the United Church basement. Following a short business meeting, a social time was spent. There was also a Christmas sale of work, after which refreshments were served.

CAMBRIA

Miss D. McOuat held a Christmas Tree for her pupils on Friday last. A number of ladies were present to hear the children sing and recite, and several playlets were given, in which all did very well. Santa appeared at the end of the program and distributed the gifts, which were numerous. The Women's Institute donated candies, oranges and apples to each pupil, also to the little ones of the neighborhood, and Mrs. Willey gave gifts to each of the school children.

Miss Ivall, of No. 3 School, and Miss Seale of No. 2 School, also had Christmas Trees for their pupils.

Mr. Milton Dawson spent the Christmas holiday with his mother and brothers.

Mr. Willie Seale had the misfortune to fracture his leg in two places while working in the woods on Tuesday. He was removed to hospital in Montreal, being conveyed to St. Jerome in the snowmobile, where the ambulance awaited him.

The trees appear beautiful in the sunshine this Yuletide, although the coating of ice will have bad effects.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ryan, Maxwell and Sheila, spent Christmas Day at Rosedale Cottage, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Maxwell, Joyce and Donald spent the day at Mrs. M. Dawson's.

Masonic Lodge Celebrates St. John's Night

The celebration of St. John was observed by Argenteuil Lodge, A.F. and A.M., No. 67, G.R.Q., in the lodge rooms last evening.

After the regular business had been transacted the impressive ceremony of installation of officers was conducted by the Rt. Wor. Bro. H. M. Gall.

The officers installed for the coming year are :

W. Bro S. Rodger, W.M.; Bro. F. Witham, S.W.; Bro. C. Stephens, J.W.; Bro. R. McAdam, S.D.; Bro. Rev. W. Rosborough, J.D.; Bro. Dr. F. McMartin, I.G.; W. Bro. R. P. Fraser, Treas.; Rt. W. Bro. J. N. A. Rice, sec'y.; Bro. Dave Black, Steward; Bro. Chas. Duncan, Steward.

A turkey supper was served and the new Worshipful Master received the congratulations of those present. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presenting of a Past Master's jewel to the I.P.M., Wor. Bro. J. W. McGibbon, by W. Bro. John MacKimmie.

BROWNSBURG

Mr. Bernard Petley, of Montreal, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Miss Rosamond and Master Stephen Pike are vacationing with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Pike.

A Watch-Night service will be held in the Maple Avenue Baptist Church on Sunday at 11 p.m. The B.Y.P.U. are in charge of this service. Visitors are cord ally invited.

Mrs. P. MacQuaig and Mrs. A. Robbins were among those who entertained recently for Mrs. Z. L. Campbell, of Carleton Place.

Brownsburg Women's Institute will meet at the Social Club on Thursday, Jan. 4th, at 7.30 p.m. Motto — "It is not flesh and blood but the heart makes brothers." Topic — "The World in Canada." Roll Call — Names of earliest settlers in Argenteuil. Convenor, Mrs. S. J. Pike; Immigration. A cordial welcome to all!

Mrs. P. Levesque, of Toronto, was the Christmas guest at the home of Mrs. P. MacQuaig.

Miss J. Kerr, R.N., of Montreal, is visiting her sister, Mr. David McOuat.

Miss Edith Gilmour, of Montreal, spent Christmas at her home here.

Mr. George Prosser returned to Ste. Anne de Bellevue this week after visiting with his family here.

Mr. James Tomalty, of Montreal, is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Simpson and son, Bobby are spending this week visiting in Toronto.

Miss Marion Stewart, R.N., of Montreal, was the Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stewart.

OBITUARY

LATE MRS. WILLIAM H. HUME.

The death of Mrs. William H. Hume on Wednesday, Dec. 20th, came after an illness of six weeks. Mrs. Hume was in her 69th year, formerly Margaret Cunningham McOuat, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William McOuat.

She is survived by her husband, three children, John M., of Miami, Florida, Mrs. J. B. Gunn, of Montreal, Stewart of Lachute, three step-children, William, Russel and Annie, also three brothers, William, Thomas and Murray, of Lachute.

The funeral service, held Friday from her late residence at Hillhead, was conducted by the Rev. W. B. Rosborough. The pall-bearers were William, James, Edgar and Harry Pollock, Lloyd and Wilson Hume.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

DEATH

MORRISON — At Johnson City, Tennessee, U. S. A., on Sunday, Dec. 17th, 1939, Mary J. Burch, widow of the late John R. Morrison, of Vancouver, B. C., and formerly of Glens Falls, N. Y.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

HUME — Mr. W. H. Hume and family wish to express their appreciation of the sympathy extended in their recent bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

MORRISON — In loving memory of a devoted husband and father, Thomas Barron Morrison, who passed away Dec. 29th, 1936—Ever remembered by his wife and family.

YOUNG — In loving memory of our dear son, Delmar Leonard Isaac Young, who died Nov. 29th, 1939, aged 19 months.—Ever remembered by his father, mother and little sister.

His life is a beautiful memory,
His death is a silent grief,
He sleeps in a beautiful garden
In the sunshine of perfect peace.

RIDEOUT — In loving memory of a dear daughter, Mrs. Arthur Rideout, who passed away Dec. 24th, 1937. —Ever remembered by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Young, sister and brother.

The flowing stream of life rolls on,
But still the vacant chair
Recalls the love, the voice, the smile
Of her who once sat there.

Her life was one long sacrifice,
Her heart was true and tender,
She toiled so hard for those she loved,
Then left us to remember.

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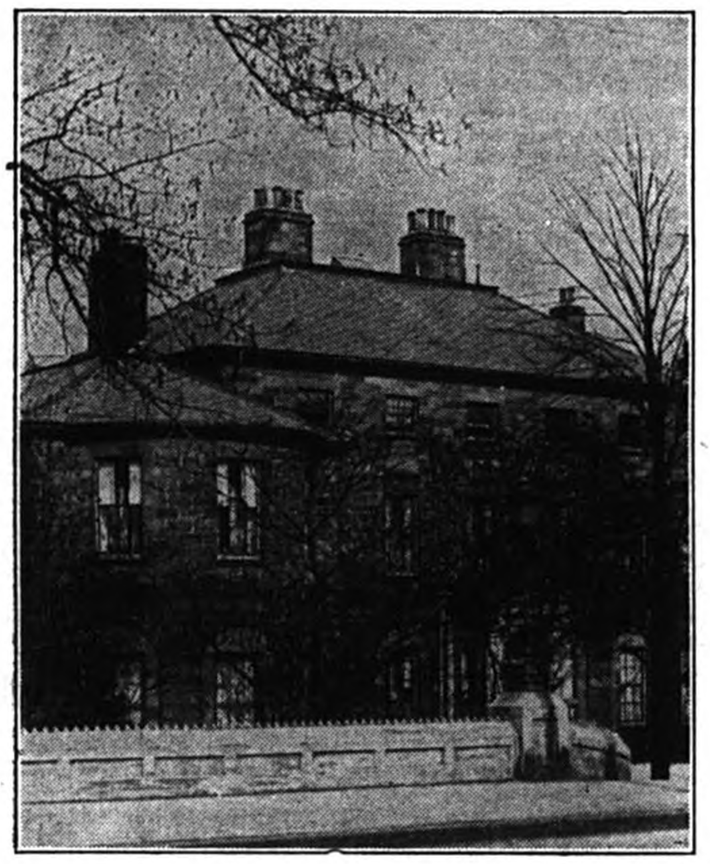
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STORIED SPOTS FROM SEA TO SEA

By W. J. Banks, B.A.

Governor's Mansion



Government House, Halifax

For nearly a century and a half, lieutenant-governors of Nova Scotia have entertained world famed people, and otherwise exercised important functions of their office, in the stately old mansion that is the province's Government House. It is in the heart of a busy district, long since considered undesirable as a residential area. But the fine old Georgian house still maintains its dignity and recalls a host of vivid personalities and important events in Nova Scotia's history.

The first Government House was erected soon after Edward Cornwallis and his followers laid out the town of Halifax in 1749. Scarcely more than a wooden cottage, it was protected nevertheless by small mounted canon. A few years later this modest dwelling gave way to a somewhat more pretentious two-storied residence, still of wooden construction. Various governors added more rooms and improved the structure. Among the distinguished folk whom it sheltered was Prince Edward, the father of Queen Victoria.

These early viceregal residences were located on the site of the present Province Building. At the opening of the nineteenth century the ground on Hollis Street now occupied by Government House had been set aside for the legislative halls. But as the old governor's residence seemed about to fall upon the heads of its occupants, a new home was built there instead, and acclaimed at the time as the finest residence in North America. Thus the grounds of the former Government House became available for the Province House, which was erected some years later and also survives as one of the nation's noblest public buildings.

Among the Churches

CHRISTMAS TREE HELD AT LAKEFIELD

Lakefield — The annual W. A. Christmas Tree was held in the Gibb Parish Hall on Saturday evening, Rev. C. W. P. Baugh acted as chairman, and gave a brief Christmas message to the large audience.

Among the numerous items on the program were songs by the school children, carols by the choir, and recitations by Frances Brown, Emma Thompson, Freda McDonald, Victor Shearsmith, James Woods, Earl Thompson and Ross Evans. Two dialogues, "Aunt Betsy's Beaux", and "Cousin Imogene's Dinner", were loudly acclaimed by the audience. The school children added further to the program with individual songs and skits.

After the singing of "God Save the King", the children welcomed Santa Claus, who gave each child a present, along with candy and fruit.

Each year the W. A. of Trinity Church brings cheer into the homes of Lakefield by providing Christmas presents for the children.

Sunday Services

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10 a.m.—Sabbath School
11 a.m.—"Matthew, the Treasure Hunter"
3 p.m.—Brownsburg
7 p.m.—"The Wise Man Sees Afar"

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11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Services.

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m.—Morning Worship. Supject: "Spectres of the Past"
7 p.m.—Evening Service. Subject: "Light Upon the Path"

Services will be appropriate to the closing of the Old Year and opening of the New.

A cordial welcome to all!

REGULAR BAPTIST SERVICES
Rev. C. Hardie

11 a.m.—Brownsburg.
2.30 p.m.—Dalesville.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST
Rev. J. R. Simpson, B.A., B.Th.

10 a.m., Sunday School.

Sunday night, Watch-Night service at 11 p.m. B.Y.P.U. in charge of this service. Pastor will speak.

LAKEFIELD CHURCH SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector.

10.30 a.m. — Lakefield, Morning Prayer.
11 a.m.—Dunany, Holy Communion
2 p.m.—Shrewsbury, Holy Communion.
11 p.m. — Lakefield, Watch-night Service and Holy Communion

JOINT SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. ANDREWS EAST

St. Andrews E. — Disappointment, verging on consternation, was the feeling among the children on the evening of the 20th, when it was learned that on account of the "black-out" occasioned by the snowstorm, the entertainment annually graced by jolly St. Nicholas, would not take place at the Town Hall that evening. However, a happy solution was found by holding it the next afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Wm. MacMillan was chairman. There was a good attendance of relatives and friends. The opening item was a vocal duet by Misses Betty Albright and Frances Fraser, followed by a carol by a chorus of senior girls. The parting of the curtains for Item three revealed a red and green garbed Christmas sprite at the microphone of station XMAS who called upon the following for a song or recitation in turn:—Boy Blue, Jack Be-Nimble, Pop-Eye the Sailor, the carollers, the candle bearers, the bells, the Christmas dolls, the Christmas bunnies, nursery rhymes (who responded with folk dances), Red Cross nurses, Jolly Tar (Stephen Blair), whose song and dance steps were executed with true naval precision; Christmas cook (Fay Vatcher), who will be very popular if her cooking is up to the fine standard of her singing; and last and least in size, but not in talent, little titian-haired 'Lisbeth Robertson, whose action song "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" introduced a Santa Claus "proxy", pack and whiskers complete. The training and costume-making for these different characters entailed considerable work, but those responsible, namely the Sunday school and day school teachers and friends, are to be congratulated upon the happy results of their efforts. Mrs. T. Webster and Miss D. Leroy were accompanists.

A one-act comedy, "At the Station", which formed the second part of the program, was successfully played by Misses Hazel Robertson, Betty and Elsie Dorion, Shirley Bradley, Betty and Fay Whitesides, Messrs. Kenny Robertson, Gerald McAdam, Ernest Whitesides, George McClintock.

A merry jingle of sleigh-bells hailed the entrance of Santa Claus, accompanied by Mrs. Santa! Hearing that three Sunday Schools were taking part, no doubt dear Santa felt he needed help in distributing the gifts and candies, as even the babies on the cradle roll were remembered; and a very affable and lively assistant she was! A turkey was presented to each of the four clergymen of the village. "Holy Night" in chorus closed the program.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Christ Jesus" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist throughout the world on Sunday, Dec. 31st.

The Golden Text is from John 8:12. "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "I am he that liveth; and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; (Revelation 1.18).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passages from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The Revelator represents the Son of man as saying (Revelation 1. 17,18): "I am the first and the last; I am he that liveth, and was dead (not understood); and behold, I am alive for evermore, (Science has explained me)." . . . The impersonation of the spiritual idea had a brief history in the earthly life of our Master; but "of his kingdom there shall be no end," for Christ, God's idea, will eventually rule all nations and peoples—imperatively, absolutely, finally—with divine Science." (Pages 334, 565).

"All the romance of war has been blacked out. I think this is perhaps a good thing." —Hon. T. A. Crerar

Social and Personal

Miss Gertie Cunningham, of Hawkesbury, spent Christmas at her home in town.

Mr. Lawrence Bates, of Montreal, is spending the holidays at his home in town.

Mrs. Chas. Hartson, of Syracuse, N.Y., is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. E. Carkner.

Mr. Hartland McDougall, of Montreal, spent Christmas with his parents at Centreville.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hay and son, of Ottawa, visited relatives in town for Christmas.

Mr. Ernest Lortie visited friends in Ste. Emelie de l'Energie over the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Helmer spent the Christmas week-end visiting relatives in Montreal.

Miss Elizabeth Tomson and Master Bruce Van Vort, of Montreal, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Giles.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Gillis and little daughter, Anne, of New Carlisle, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dobbie.

Miss Agnes McMahon, of LaTuque, and Miss Grace McMahon, of Thurso, are spending the vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. McMahon.

Pte. G. H. Wert, of the Black Watch, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wert, at Brownsburg.

Mrs. Brian A. Peck and her family are spending the New Year season at their country home in Lachute. Mr. Peck will join them at the end of the week.

Mr. Joey Berniquer, of Malartic, Que., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Jos. Berniquer.

Dr. and Mrs. John Hope, of Siscoe, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. John Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Robertson, of Tetreaultville, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Giles.

Miss Lorna Giles spent last week-end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Rosemount.

Miss Kitty Foley, of Montreal, is spending this week as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Jos. Berniquer.

Mrs. Geo. McIntosh and Miss Audrey McIntosh, of Montreal, spent Christmas with Mrs. R. E. Carkner.

Miss Leila Boyd, of Albanel, is visiting her sister, Miss Muriel Boyd, and other friends during her vacation.

Miss Alma Riddell, of Montreal, spent Christmas week-end with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. Elder.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Turcotte and daughter, of Montreal, spent Christmas with Mrs. Turcotte's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dion.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alder, Miss Margaret Graham and Mr. Ray Alder, of Montreal, spent Christmas week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham.

Pte. Carl Demerse, of the 1st Battalion, Black Watch, Montreal, spent the Christmas week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Demerse.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bradley, of Montreal, called on friends Saturday while passing through town to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Bradley at Carillon.

Miss Vic LaRose, R.N., is spending the holiday season in Montreal.

Mr. Bill Taylor spent the holiday week-end at his home in Huntingdon.

Pte. Ray Boyd, of the 1st Battalion, Black Watch, Montreal, was home for Christmas on a four-day leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McEntyre visited with Mrs. McEntyre's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Robin, over the week-end.

Miss Mary Hutchin, of Macdonald College, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hutchin.

Miss Kay Miller, nurse-in-training at the Montreal General Hospital, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. R. Miller.

Miss Dorothy McFarlane, of Bolton Centre, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McFarlane, Hill Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blute, of Montreal, spent the Christmas week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Jones and daughter, of Quebec City, are vacationing with relatives in Lachute and Brownsburg.

Pte. J. R. Cunningham, of the 1st Battalion, Black Watch, Montreal, spent the Christmas week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cunningham.

Miss Edna Aitkin and Mr. Fred Forton, of Montreal, visited at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Aitkin, last week-end.

Misses Gladys Berry, Freda Parker, Elsie Boyd and Mr. David Morrison, of Macdonald College, are vacationing at their respective homes.

Mrs. Lorne McArthur, Misses Lorna and Mavis McArthur, of Ottawa, and Miss Willow Lavery, of Montreal, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. K. McArthur. Mr. Lorne McArthur was here for Christmas week-end.

Mr. Albert Winmill of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, is vacationing with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Winmill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Holstead and daughter, Olive, of Montreal, were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Carson.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Fisher and Miss Kathleen Belton, of Montreal, Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Fisher and son, of Ottawa, spent Christmas here as the guests of Mrs. John Hope.

THE WAR OF JENKINS' EAR

Rarely indeed has a war been named for an individual; such was the instance of "The War of Jenkins' Ear."

Down in the Carribean Sea bounded by the upper part of South America and the sickle-shaped West Indian Archipelago, in April 1731, a peaceful British trader, his vessel filled with legitimate products contentedly sailed for the port of London. Robert Jenkins was at peace with the world; he thought of his home and children whom he should see in three months, smoked his pipe and dreamed of future ease of life. But it was not for long. A Spanish privateer bore down on him; the Captain and a cut-throat crew boarded the Rebecca and stripped her.

The story is told by a noted English surgeon in a charming book called "The Cradle of the Deep." It is one of the best books ever written about the history of the West Indies and this book avers on the best of evidence that the sanguinary British-Spanish War of the second quarter of the 18th Century, had as its determining cause, not an invasion of either Spain or Britain but the episode of Jenkins' ear.

Robert Jenkins had been brought up adjacent to Wapping on the Thames and he was not the man lightly to put up with ruthless robbery on the high seas. He told the privateer's Captain what he thought about it in forcible language. He was not a diplomat; for his own sake he had better have said less. The result was that he was trussed up against the mast of his ship and had one of his ears slit off. As the rascally leader of the pirates bade him bon voyage, he recommended that Robert Jenkins should take his ear home with him as a souvenir. First aid was rendered by the ship's carpenter. The bleeding was stopped by the application of crude turpentine and the stump dressed by a piece of bunting steeped in lamp oil.

Captain Jenkins followed the advice of the pirate. He wrapped the ear between two folds of sailcloth and stowed it away in his desk along with his sextant, his Bible and his bottle of rum. In three months he was in London where his story created a mild excitement.

It was not till seven years later that he was able to get his case and his mutilated ear before a Committee of the House of Commons. Then followed the Hispanio-British War which eventually changed — probably for all time — the ownership of most of the West Indies. The ruthless bid for power by Hitler may also determine the fate of Germany.

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Mainly About Montreal

BY LESLIE C. POWELL
Special Montreal Correspondent to The Watchman

WITH MANY, MANY THANKS

Well, it turned out to be a pretty swell Christmas, didn't it? Santa came through in fine style and I only hope he was as nice to you as he was to me. That somebody reads this alleged column is evident from the nice cards, for which accept sincere and grateful thanks. And as many thanks to the boss for his delightful little remembrance, as welcome as it was unexpected. Such friendly gestures make one sure that the real old Christmas spirit is not dead.

To all those who remembered your Montreal newsboy please accept hearty thanks; it was swell of youse guys and gals.

HAIL, HAIL, THE GANG'S ALL HERE . .

Will be the popular refrain soon after you read this, together with "Auld Lang Syne". New Year's Eve is just around the corner and it looks like being a big celebration, war or no war. The local hostelries and dine and danceries are expecting record turnouts for the big night when so many people will celebrate not only the passing of a year that brought war and horror to most of Europe, but the entry of the new year in the hope that it will bring peace and good will to all mankind.

With the lifting of many a glass will go the toast, "Down with Hitler and Stalin, God bless the Allies and bring them speedy success."

Let us all pray that 1940 will bring a surcease to the world's troubles and strifes, the end of tyranny and dictatorship and a revival of good fellowship among men.

THE SPORT PAGE

New Year's day will see the first major ski event of the present season when the annual competition will be held at St. Sauveur. Downhill and slalom races will be held and it is expected a large number of racers will turn out, including several boys in military uniforms, unless special permission is forthcoming for the soldiers to appear in regulation ski togs. It would be rather fun to see some of the Kilties entered, what ?

MOVIE OF THE WEEK

The famous Victor Hugo classic, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame", will open on the local Rialto tomorrow and is another "don't miss" picture. It is a magnificent spectacle with a stirring title characterization by Charles Laughton. Many are going to compare his performance with that of the late Lon Chaney in the same role, but this is hardly fair. Chaney was a master of grotesque make-up and did not have the physical difficulties that Laughton has in the role of Quasimodo. The large cast includes such top-flight players as Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Thomas Mitchell, Maureen O'Hara, Alan Marshal, Katherine Alexander and Walter Hampden.

It is rather interesting to note that the son of the late Lon Chaney is starring in "Of Mice and Men", the powerful picture from the play by John Steinbeck, now showing in Montreal. He does a very good job of a difficult role and while he will never replace his father as a super-star, he is definitely bound for a successful career in films.

OTTAWA, HERE I COME

Your reporter's enthusiastic eulogy of Ottawa in last week's column has led the friendly burghers of said city to invite him back for New Year's Eve, an invitation which was speedily and heartily accepted. So this space will be filled, next week, with copy mainly about Ottawa. It seems a certain amount of ire was raised in old Bytown by an article appearing in one of the local weeklies poking good humored fun at the capital.

Your correspondent heartily enjoyed his recent visit to Ottawa and looks forward to greeting the New Year at that point. Ottawans are a friendly people (until you mention the Dominion football final), the girls lovely to look at, and everyone receives the visitor royally.

Look out, Ottawa, here I come.

UNACCUSTOMED AS I AM TO PUBLIC SPEAKING

I am very much afraid that a certain sports club is in for a boring luncheon if, and when, your reporter accepts an invitation to speak on "Winter Sports in the Laurentians". The date rather conflicts with a previous engagement but if this detail can be straightened out, said club is in for it. It has been a long time since your newsboy made a public address, other than to plead "Not Guilty", but has begun practising on the family and friends. "Er-er, unaccustomed as I am to public speaking", or, speaking as a columnist, should I begin, "Unaccustomed as I am to public sneaking" ?

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Your book critic is not going to review, but only recommend "The Government Blue Book" containing documents concerning the German-Polish relations and the outbreak of hostilities between Germany and Great Britain. This book is a best seller and can now be bought in a 20c edition put out by Penguin Books (Collins, Toronto). You will want to read this to understand the perfidy of Adolph Hitler and the efforts made by England to save the world from war.

SHORT TAKES

Your scrivener had expected to present a "guest columnist" this week; a local newspaperman, well known for his feature stories in one of the Montreal dailies, had promised to supply a paragraph or two for the regular readers of M.A.M. He was called out of town but I will try to rope him in soon. . . . . Your newsboy's attempt at emulating Winchell has back-fired. Three of the personalities mentioned in the item two weeks ago, now refuse to speak to yours truly. Maybe that is a sign of success in the gossip field. If The Watchman appears next week without M.A.M. (the first man who says "Cheers" gets crowned), you can blame it on the noble and ancient art of skiing. Yes, your reporter has been inveigled into a promise to go skiing on the famous Gatineau Valley hills of old Ottawa and anything can happen now. . . . I'll be seeing you, I hope.

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Famous Operas...

LOUISE

Dramatic Opera by G. Charpentier
Book by the Composer
First produced in Paris, Feb., 1900
Place : Paris
Time : Latter Part of 19th Cenutry.

Louise, a young seamstress, finds life dull and unromantic. Every morning she goes to the dressmaker's workroom where she is employed, and after ten hours of strenuous work, returns every night to the garret home of her parents, who are poor working people. One day she meets Julien, a handsome but improvident young poet, whose studio balcony adjoins her window, and suddenly she finds life more interesting, for the two young people soon fall in love.

Julien's advances to Louise, are, however, gruffly discouraged by her parents. He pleads with the girl to disregard their wishes. He follows her to her working place every morning, he even serenades her, imploring her to share with him his free life. At last, after resisting for some time to the temptation, Louise gives in to the young poet's passionate pleading, and so, unmindful of custom and tradition, the young couple live happily together in a small cottage in Montmartre.

One evening, during a merry celebration with a circle of friends Louise's mother appears, informing the girl that her father is ill. Hearing this, Louise consents to return home. However, after spending a few days in her old home, Louise realizes that she is practically being kept a prisoner. At this she revolts and after a stormy argument decides, one night, to part from her parents. Braving her father's wrath, she runs out into the street and flees toward the little cottage of her lover.



BREMEN FINALE

Saga of the Bremen, German liner, comes to an end as the trans-Atlantic ship eludes British men-of-war and gets back safely to the home port of Bremerhaven, Germany, where it is pictured in this radiophoto. The Bremen first made a daring run across the Atlantic shortly after war broke out, finally winding up at Murmansk, Russia.

District News

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

ST. ANDREWS EAST

The Misses DeWitt, of Montreal, were guests of their brother, Mr. Jacob DeWitt and his family for Christmas.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Mowatt spent Christmas and several succeeding days with their son, Mr. Erskine Mowatt and family in Montreal. Mr. Boswell Mowatt visited his parents here for the week-end.

Mrs. D. Bishop, of Montreal, is visiting her grand-daughters, Misses Elizabeth, Jeanette, Grace and Freda Wales, who are home for the holidays.

Others here for their vacations include—Misses Lois Perks, I. Hopper, Mona Foley, Pearl Dawson, Evelyn Wales, Bessie Rodger, Margaret Taylor, Janet Watson, Ruth Bradley, Alice and Christina Hooker, Messrs. John, Charles, George and Roy DeWitt, Ralph Lalonde, Hugh Robertson, W. Gates, Ernest Gates, Melville Ballantyne, Edgar Hooker. Mr. Melvin Ballantyne and a friend, Mr. T. Sims, visited the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Ballantyne over the week-end.

Dr. Wm. Pitcairn and Mr. Keith Pitcairn, of Trenton, Ont., were here for the Christmas holiday. Mr. K. Pitcairn has been appointed instructor in aero-nautical calculations at the school for airmen at Trenton, having been granted leave of absence from his position on the staff of West Hill High for the duration of the war.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Yale visited their sons, Mr. Harold Yale and family, and Mr. Buzz Yale and family, in the Town of Mount Royal for the Christmas season.

Mr. Raymond Montague, of the Protestant school staff, is visiting his sisters in Montreal for the holidays.

Mrs. F. Patton left on Wednesday to visit friends in Ottawa.

Mr. Daniel Muir, youngest son of Mr. John Muir, has returned to Canada from England where he has been employed for some time, and is visiting his brother, Mr. Cameron Muir, at Beauharnois, Que.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Porter were Mr. and Mrs. Kear, also Mr. Porter's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Huggett occupied their summer home for the holidays.

Misses Alison and Agnes Rodger spent the week-end at their home.

Miss Bea Hugman is spending the holidays in Montreal.

CUSHING

Cushing is once more linked up with the rest of the world by telephone, after almost a week of being without, because of the number of poles and wires broken by last week's storm.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Brown at Pointe au Chêne.

The Misses Elsie and Ivy Graham, of Montreal, are spending the holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Graham.

Mr. D. Todd, of Montreal, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Graham were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Scott and Mr. Thos. Pollock, of Lachute, and Mr. G. W. Elliott.

Miss Margaret Canning spent Christmas Day as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Todd, Lachute.

Dr. and Mrs. McGerrigle and son, John, of Quebec, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Innes, also Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Innes, were week-end and Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Innes.

Miss Margaret McKiddie is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Roy Dobbie, who had as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. J. Bradley and son, Ian, of Carillon, Mr. and Mrs. John Heatlie and family, of Ogdensburg, Mr. R. Warwick, Master Maynard McKiddie, Mrs. S. McKiddie, who had been spending the week-end, also Mr. and Mrs. L. Griffith and son, of Lachute.

Cushing Community Club meets on Friday evening of this week.

Communion Service will be held in St. Mungo's Church on Sunday morning, Dec. 31st.

The Frontier Branch of the Women's Institute will hold the first meeting of the New Year on Thursday afternoon, January 4th, at the home of Miss Margaret Whelehen. Don't forget your scrap books and roll calls.

IT IS BEING DONE
(Brandon Daily Sun)

The most needed reform is to make each "ism" a "wasm."

Donovan's wife awoke in the small hours to hear him stealthily moving things about in the kitchen.

"What might ye be lookin' for, darlin'?" she asked.

"Nothing," said Donovan, "just nothing."

"Oh!" said his wife helpfully. "Then ye'll find it in the bottle where the whisky used to be."

CAMBRIA
(Intended for Last Issue)

Mr. William Dawson and Mrs. Garnet Ivall, who spent some time in Mille Isles with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dawson, have returned to the West.

Mr. Allan Buxton has returned to Mille Isles, after a sojourn of several months in Morin Heights.

Mr. Stanford Reid, of Philadelphia, who is spending the holidays at his home in Montreal, was a recent visitor at Mr. W. J. Pollock's, also calling on friends in Mille Isles. He conducted Sunday morning service in the Cote and afternoon service in the Presbyterian Church at Mille Isles. Mr. Reid is much interested in the people of Mille Isles, as this was his first charge.

CUSHING WEST

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Watson and daughters were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dawson at Stonefield Heights for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hartley and son, Kenneth, also Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kelly, of Montreal, and Mr. Eddie Whelehan were motor guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Whelehan and other friends here on Sunday.

Guests of Mrs. Usher on Sunday last were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Keatley and Mr. Jack Keatley, of Grenville, Mr. Murray Watson, of Montreal, also Mr. Billy Watson, of Ottawa, who arrived to spend the Christmas vacation with his relatives here.

The Misses Muriel and Norma Cooke, of Montreal, spent Christmas Day here with their mother, Mrs. C. L. Cooke.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Whelehan and daughter, Helen, also Mr. E. and Miss M. Whelehan, were Christmas guests of their sister, Mrs. R. Funcheon, at Monalea, who also entertained for Christmas her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mahoney, of Montreal, with their sons, Billy and Teddy.

Mr. D. G. Greig and son Billy, were home on furlough for Christmas.

Miss Dorothy Weir, of McGill, and Mis Helen Weir, of Macdonald, are spending the Christmas vacation with their parents, Capt. and Mrs. T. W. Weir.

Miss Muriel Tait, of No. 2 School, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Frelighsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pinkerton, of Montreal, who have been spending a couple of weeks at their residence here, were treated to a surprise party by their friends on Wednesday evening last. The party was in the nature of a "shower" and a number of useful and pretty gifts in silver and china were presented. A pleasant time was afterward spent with games and refreshments.

This district did not escape the inconvenience suffered by the rest of the countryside from the effects of the storm last week, as we were without electric power or telephone for several days. A number of trees, some of them old landmarks, either fell or were damaged when limbs were broken by the heavy coating of ice.

WEIR

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Loudin and family are spending the holidays in Montreal, visiting friends.

Mr. P. Cantin spent Christmas in Montreal visiting friends.

Mrs. Alex Williams and sons, Victor and Royce, also Miss Muriel Woods, of Montreal, are spending the holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Woods.

The Misses Mary and Jessie Bennett, of Montreal, spent the past week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Duncan, of Montreal, accompanied by a party of friends, are spending the holidays at their residence here.

Miss Dorothy Owen, of Buckingham, is spending her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Owen.

Miss Lois Horner left on Thursday to spend the holidays at her home in Shawville.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Cowan and the Misses Marguerite and Mildred Cowan, of Montreal, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Larose.

Gnr. Ray A. Craig, R.C.A., Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Craig.

Mrs. Harpin, of Montreal, accompanied by a party of friends, is spending the holidays at her cottage here.

The sympathey of this community is extended to Mr. H. S. Croysdll, whose mother passed away at her home in Montreal on Sunday last.

The Christmas Tree, which was held in the church hall on Wednesday evening, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Russell Bowie, Jr. of Montreal, was a holiday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Craig.

Mrs. Douglas Williams and daughters, Norma and Shirley, spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dubeau, at Arundel.

BROWNSBURG
(Intended for Last Issue)

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson returned home recently from Florida, where they had spent a few weeks.

Mr. A. White has been spending the holidays at his home in Quebec City.

Miss Mildred McAllister spent last week-end in Montreal.

A very pleasant time was spent at the home of Mr. N. Gagne in Rousillon when about 50 guests met in honor of Miss Alice Gagne's birthday.

The Senior Mission Circle of Maple Avenue Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. James Warwick in Lachute. Mrs. A. Campbell conducted the devotional part of the meeting; Miss S. Kennedy gave a very interesting topic entitled "Christmas in Other Lands" closing with a poem by Rev. T. Watson, a former pastor of the Dalesville Baptist Church.

Miss Alma Madden of Montreal visited her sister, Mrs. J. A. Murdoch.

Mrs. T. H. R. Dawson had the misfortune to fall and break her arm.

Miss E. Stephens, of London, Ont., was a recent week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stephens.

GRENVILLE NORTH

Master David Gill was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Walter Gauley.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Debeau spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Matthews and son, Walter, of Kilmar, were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gauley and son, Kenneth, also Mr. Wm. Cousins, were Christmas Day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perks, St. Andrews East.

Miss Lilly Murray visited last Saturday with Miss Lois Cooke at Grenville.

Miss Frances Murray is spending a few days as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ed Matthews, at Kilmar, Que.

Mrs. James Stewart, who is confined to bed, has been removed to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carl Paige, in Grenville for the winter months.

Cicada Falsely Accused As Destroyer of Crops

For centuries the cicada has been falsely accused of destroying field crops. It was once considered poisonous in some mysterious way, a forecaster of war, and a bad omen generally. Some confuse the periodical cicada with the locusts that ate up Pharaoh's crops. Cicadas are not locusts. The term locust applies to grasshoppers, observes a writer in the Chicago Tribune.

Cicadas do not cause any damage by feeding on crops, but they injure trees by puncturing the twigs and laying masses of eggs inside, states an entomologist. These punctures often cause the tips of the branches to die. Twigs from six inches to two feet long will break off and fall to the ground.

The sudden appearance of the cicada often excites the gravest fear for the safety of trees and shrubs. There is some ground for this, especially if they appear in large numbers.

There are two races of cicadas—the 17 year and the 13 year. When broods of both races appear in the same year the insects are especially numerous. The biggest broods of the two races—No. 10 of the 17 year race and No. 19 of the 13 year race—appeared simultaneously in 1868. But scientists have figured it out that they will not appear together again until 221 years from that date, or to be specific, in 2089 A. D.

In describing the life history of the cicada, entomologists say that antlike larvae come from the eggs a few weeks after they are laid within twigs of trees. The larvae fall to the ground and quickly burrow out of sight.

Meaning of Filter in Photography

A filter is a transparent colored medium interposed between the object and the film in the path of the light rays reflected by the object. It may be a colored gelatin wafer mounted in the barrel of the lens, or it may be a colored gelatin sheet cemented between glass and mounted over the front or over the rear element of the lens. A filter may be of almost any color. Its function is either to screen completely from the film one or more colored light rays or to weaken the intensity of certain colored rays or to do both.



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Hints for Homebodies

Specially Written for Readers of The Watchman
By JESSIE ALLEN BROWN

THE WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS

The week after Christmas is such a pleasant time. After all the hub-bub and excitement, we are gently relaxed. There isn't too much work to do. There are the turkey bones to pick and the scraps of the ham to use up. Desserts are no problem as long as the mince pie and the plum pudding hang out. Some of the candy and the raisins and nuts are about, to pick at between meals and most of us crave these extras around holiday time. Traditional food plays a big part in contentment. We don't have to worry too much about the house. Any sitting room which is really tidy isn't normal. The new toys and the books must be scattered around to be enjoyed. The Christmas tree begins to shed its needles and that prevents really proper mopping and dusting—so why worry. The Christmas holidays are most enjoyed of any throughout the year. There is more excitement in the air. There is more to do, as winter sports are in full swing; new games, toys and books have to be tried out; new clothes have to be shown off; and there are usually more parties. We have time then to really look over and savour our Christmas cards as we have not had time to do in the earlier rush. We have time to dream of old friends. Enjoy this week yourself and help your children enjoy it to the full.

PLAY GAMES WITH THE FAMILY

Children like games and in this respect few men really grow up. They are ready to play a game no matter how old they are, women differ as they lose their liking for games when they grow older. Not all, of course, but most women do. It is a good plan to get the habit of playing games with your family. You may play many a time when you would much rather be doing something else, but when you see the joy on the younger children's faces, or when an older one has stayed at home for the evening because there was something to do, you will feel well rewarded. A family which plays games is apt to be a united family. Having no brothers or sisters to play with me, my mother filled the breach. I did not realize it at the time but she must have been a long-suffering woman, when I think of the endless games she played with me. Casino and Parchesi were the prime favorites although we played others too. We were a card-playing family and I learned to play Euchre when very young and I know I was playing the old-fashioned Whist, while I was still going to Public School. Games continue to be played in our family. Often I start out by not wanting to play but end by enjoying it. Like most other activities around the home, they are better if mother takes a hand.

LEMON RIND

There are people who dislike the flavor of lemon rind. Probably this is because it has not been properly grated. It should be grated very lightly, being careful just to take the yellow part and never getting deep enough to grate off any of the white. The oil of the lemon is in the white portion and this has a bitter taste, which is not agreeable. The same is true of orange rind, although it is not quite so bitter.

LEMON SHERBET

A light dessert may be welcome about now after all the heavy foods we have eaten. This is one which the children can make themselves.

¾ cup sugar, juice and grated rind of 1 lemon, 2 cups milk, ⅛ teaspoon lemon extract.

Mix the lemon juice, rind, and extract with the sugar, and add the milk, stirring it until the sugar is dissolved. Pour into a freezing tray. Stir twice while freezing. Do not let this freeze too hard. Have it firm but not solid, and the result will be a creamy sherbet. It freezes in 1½ hours in our refrigerator.

HAM PUFFS

1 cup mashed potatoes, 1 cup chopped cooked ham, 1 egg, grated cheese.

Mix seasoned potatoes and ham and stir in the beaten egg yolk. Beat the white until stiff and fold into the mixture. Pile the mixture in the centre of an oven-proofed platter or baking dish and sprinkle with grated cheese. Bake in a slow oven at 325 degrees for 30 minutes. Small puffs may be made instead. Border with peas, beans, or mushrooms.

CORN AND CHEESE CASSEROLE

1 cup canned corn, 1 cup bread crumbs, 1 cup grated cheese. ½ teaspoon salt, 2 cups scalded milk, tablespoon melted butter, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce, 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper or pimento, if available, 2 eggs.

Beat the egg yolks and add the milk, stir in remaining ingredients, then fold in the beaten egg-whites. Pour into a buttered casserole, and bake in a pan of water in a moderate oven of 350 degrees until firm, about 40 minutes.

The DOCTOR Tells the Story

by W.E. Aughinbaugh, M.D.

HEART WOUNDS

The most difficult and at the same time the most dangerous organ to treat surgically is the human heart.

Surgeons formerly looked upon it as a sort of terra incognito into which they dared not venture, and one famous authority, as recently as 1883 said that "the surgeon who would attempt to suture a human heart would lose the respect of his colleagues."

Despite his high standing in the profession, there were those who did not accept his belief, and felt that nothing could be gained if no attempt was made in this special field of work.

In 1895 Dr. Cappelan sutured a stab wound of the heart. Deftly he took several stitches in the perpetually moving organ, but the patient died in two days. The first step had been taken.

Dr. Farina made the second effort with the same result in 1896. Then came Dr. Rehn in 1897, and after several stitches were taken in the heart of a man he recovered.

During the following ten years 124 cases of stabs in the heart were reported sutured, and the net result was that 48 of the victims recovered and suffered no inconveniences in later life from the injury or operation.

From that time up until 1920 medical literature reports 305 cases of stab, bullet and other heart wounds which were sewn by surgeons, and of these 154 recovered and were able to resume their former occupations, showing no signs of discomfiture.

Up to 1923 about 66 per cent of the cases thus treated survived, and this rate of increasing recoveries will undoubtedly continue, so that one may definitely say that cardiac surgery is one of the outstanding triumphs of the medical world.

Of course recovery is predicated upon many factors, the chief ones being the size and nature of the wound, the age of the patient, his or her physical condition, the time elapsed from receiving the wound until the surgeon operates, and the general cardiac condition.

To control the heart after the thoracic cavity has been opened by an operation, most surgeons prefer to pass deep sutures through it in the apex, near the left ventrical, which enables them to rotate the heart and expose it to view.

Hemorrhage is controlled by the finger tip, and the suturing of the wound is done under the most rigid asceptic technique.

The patient is afterwards kept quiet by hypodermics of morphine, sometimes continued for days.

Of course a dirty knife or other weapon adds materially to the worries of the surgeon, for then serious complications may develop.

But the remarkable thing is that now more than 66 per cent of these cases recover, where formerly 100 per cent died.

THE WOMAN'S PAGE

HOUSE AND HOME

By Mary E. Dague
Author of Sister Mary's Kitchen

"Open house" during the holidays means snacks at all hours with sandwiches holding first place on the list. Hearty sandwiches, party sandwiches, open-faced ones and big three-deckers answer the food question for innumerable occasions.

Successful party sandwiches owe so much to their style that right here and now I'm going to beg you to arm yourself with a pastry tube so that you can trim up those alluring open-face tidbits with the latest in swirls and stars.

Cream cheese softened with heavy cream makes a most effective border piped around the edge of a sandwich. Stuffed olives, sweet pickled cucumber rings, a bright tart jelly, a snip of scarlet pimento, riced hard-cooked egg yolk, a spoonful of any well-seasoned sandwich mixture, a fine large shrimp in a circle of tiny capers—all these and many others can be used for the centre of the cheese border. The gleaming white of the cheese and the colorful centers make a festive sandwich tray.

Graham, rye, whole wheat and Boston brown breads can be used for the foundation. The bread should be sliced very thin and cut in small shapes. Stars and wreaths and bells and tiny trees are easy to make, and add much to the beauty of the whole array.

Spread the shapes with well creamed butter before decorating them. The butter not only improves the taste but holds the trimmings in place. As cream is added to the cheese, you will need to add salt in order to keep the cheese well seasoned.

Ribbon sandwiches are another attractive tidbit. These are made with two kinds of bread cut in thick slices lengthwise of the loaf, and put together with a smooth filling. Pile them up in alternate layers and let stand until ready to serve. Then cut down through making the slices about one-fourth inch thick.

Checkerboard sandwiches are made with two kinds of bread, too. Cut the bread as for ribbon sandwiches and pile in alternating layers. Then cut down through in thick slices exactly the same thickness that the bread was cut to begin with. Pile these slices up being sure that the light and dark breads alternate. Be sure, too, that each slice is cut accurately. Otherwise the slices won't stick together and the checkerboards won't be true.

Wrap the loaves tightly in waxed paper and put in a cold place for an hour or longer. Then slice about one-fourth inch thick and you have your checkerboards.

DRUNKEN MOTHERS UNPOPULAR

It is reported that Kate Russell of New York City has been arrested 50 t mes for drunkenness during the past quarter century.

Of 44 judges who have sentenced her, 17 have died. Magistrate Frank Oliver, who recently sentenced her to the work house until the holidays are over, jocularly remarked that if those 17 Justices had known Kate's brand they might be alive today.

Perhaps so. Perhaps they'd have died sooner. One easily forgets the young drinkers who didn't survive pneumonia.

While the Bible does suggest that there are times when it is well to "take a little wine for thy stomach's sake," it nowhere commends excesses.

Word Rhapsody in Music Was Used by Franz Liszt

The use of the word Rhapsody as applied to music, was one of Franz Liszt's many happy hits in musical terms, relates a writer in the Detroit News.

The ancient Greeks used the word to refer to recitations selected from epic poetry—the type which recalls great events and tells about them in lofty style, full of feeling, piecing together bits of this and that like a rich quilt.

As a result of his Hungarian childhood, and his deep love of gypsy music, Liszt wrote 19 Hungarian Rhapsodies. They are collections of Magyar melodies with gypsy-like ornaments. Trills and scales hang over the melodies like colored strands of sparkling beads.

One of the most popular old Hungarian dances is the Czardas, with its very slow spots full of desolation and its "friska" which increases to furious gayety.

The Czardas has cast its shadow over all Liszt's Rhapsodies for they all have these extreme contrasts of mood.

Liszt wrote his Rhapsodies for his own instrument, the piano, and many of them, particularly the favored second Rhapsody, have been arranged for orchestra and other instruments.

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MODERN WOMEN

By Dr. M. L. Maffett

An authority on minjature glass lamps, which began to make their appearance after the Civil War, is Mrs. W. G. Greer, of Topeka, Kansas, who has a collection of more than one hundred at present and is still on the lookout for more.

Mrs. Greer is certain that many of these tiny lamps were made originally for little folk, some of them even bearing quaint little sentiments for children. It is thought that physicians used them, too, and often they were lighted in sick rooms. Imperfections in some of her examples lead her to believe that these were made for children out of leavings.

Women have gained recognition in the agricultural world with the announcement by the College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri that the first time in twenty-nine years Farmer's Week has been changed to Farm and Home Week.

For the last three years there has been a greater number of women than men attending these affairs. In fact one county sent twenty women and only four men.

Dr. Ann Minot, chemist at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., has found a drug which has benefited the patients she has administered it to for a rare muscle-destroying disease which makes it impossible to swallow food.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was the first person to receive a placqué to be awarded annually by the Churchman for the "promotion of good will and understanding among all peoples."

Mrs. Alice D. Burke is the first woman mayor of Westfield, Mass. She is a former school teacher and turned to politics when that city banned married women teachers in 1933.

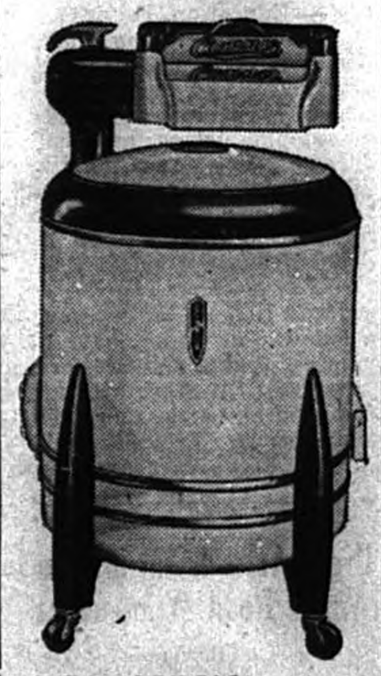
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The annual Firemen's Ball will be held in the Lachute Auditorium on Friday, Dec. 29th. Lowe's popular orchestra will be in attendance. Don't miss this annual event. Gentlemen, $2, ladies free. —D28-2c

RED CROSS

A meeting of the Lachute Branch Canadian Red Cross Society, will be held in the Victoria Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 3rd at 2.30 p.m.

LADIES' CURLING CLUB

The Lachute Ladies' Curling Club will hold its opening tea on Tuesday afternoon next, Jan. 2nd.

LACHUTE W. I.

The Lachute W. I. will hold its monthly meeting in the High School on Tuesday afternoon next, Jan. 2nd, at 3 p.m. Dr. J. Lafleur will address the meeting. Convenor, Mrs. Geo. McGibbon.

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Superior Court
No. 6844

Leo Carriere, lumberman of Pine Hill, township of Chatham, county of Argenteuil, district of Terrebonne.

vs Plaintiff;

Berthe Carriere & Gabrielle Carriere, both spinsters of full age of majority, using their own rights and domiciled at Detroit, State of Michigan, United States of America,

& Defendants;

George Rodgers, in his quality of registrar for the county of Argenteuil, district of Terrebonne,

Mis-en-cause;

Order is given to the defendants to appear within a month.

St. Jerome, December 18th., 1939.

Prothonotary of the Superior Court
Leopold Nantel

Georges H. Héon,
Attorney for Plaintiff. —J4-2c

NOTICE

Alex Pariseau, Lachute Mills, announces that he will not be responsible for any debts incurred in his name after this date.

—D28-2p

Bus Driver Blamed in Collision With Car on Laurentian Highway

Ralph Alexander Chauvin, plaintiff, was awarded $182 for damages sustained by his car in a collision with a bus of the Provincial Transport Company, defendant, on August 15, 1937, in a Superior Court judgment by Mr. Justice Mackinnon this week.

Plaintiff maintained that his wife, driving north on the Montreal-Mont Laurier highway, had not been able to avoid colliding with the company's bus, which was descending a hill on the wrong side of the road.

The Provincial Transport Company, in defence, claimed that the plaintiff's wife was driving at an excessive rate of speed and that the chauffeur had done everything in his power to avoid the collision.

In his judgment, Mr. Justice Mackinnon pointed out that two disinterested witnesses had testified that the bus was on the wrong side of the road and that one of them had seen the tire marks on the left hand side after the accident.

He held that the collision was due solely to the fault and negligence of the company's driver as he had descended the hill on the left hand side of the road and had pulled over when it was too late. The company was ordered to pay the full cost of the damages with interest from the date of the judgment and costs.

Hit-and Run Driver Is Sent to Trial

D. Leonard, truck driver and owner, of St. Jerome, appeared in enquete before District Magistrate Donat Lalande and was sent for trial on a charge of failing to stop after an accident. He appeared in voluntary statement immediately after the enquete and offered no evidence in defence. He chose a speedy trial.

Leonard was arrested a few hours after the accident and was charged before one of the two victims of his truck, Leo Corbeil, of St. Antoine, died. The accident occurred on the night of September 11, 1939, at the junction of the Montreal-St. Jerome highway and the St. Antoine road.

Corbeil was walking on the highway with Carmella Moreau, also of St. Antoine, on their way to the movies, when they were struck by a truck which did not stop.

Michigan Was Sovereign State About Century Ago

Michigan for about a year was a sovereign power, owing no allegiance to the United States.

True, Michigan didn't build a navy, establish embassies or design its own flag, but the question of its complete independence was quite definitely established in a legal decision, relates a Lansing correspondent in the Detroit Free Press.

Judge Edward Cahill, one time justice of the state supreme court, unearthed the decision given in a petition for ejection brought by the Detroit Young Men's society versus Scott.

The corporation known as the Detroit Young Men's society was incorporated under an act of the state legislature which met in 1836 between the time the state constitution had been approved March 26, 1836, and admission of the state into the Union January 26, 1837. The defendant, Scott, argued there was no such corporation as the legislature had no legal existence in the interval between approval of the constitution and admission as a state.

Judge Ransom, in a long opinion, held that under Article 5 of the Ordinance of 1787, the right of a territory to have a permanent constitution and government when it should contain 60,000 free inhabitants was definitely granted, subject to no abridgement. Therefore, he held the act to incorporate the society was legal and valid as "the act of an independent and sovereign state."

Tombs of Mummies in Desert

On the desert of Paracas are tombs of mummies seated with knees to chin and swathed in voluminous folds of cloth. On the high plateau of Bolivia mummies are encased not in cloth but in neatly woven baskets made of the tortora reed, of which the famous Lake Titicaca balsas are made. The mummy baskets usually have a small opening from which the grisly mummy face peers out. In the quaint little museum at Valparaiso, Chile, are to be seen an earlier type of mummy, suggestive of the Egyptian—the only South American type not in a sitting position. They are crudely masked, laid out like very early Egyptian forms, and filled with mud.

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Public Notice

THE FARMERS' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT

DISTRICT OF TERREBONNE

In the matter of Cyprien Vezeau, farmer of the parish of Ste. Anne des Plaines, county and district of Terrebonne. Authorized assignor under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act.

Notice to creditors subsequent to a voluntary assignment.

Notice is hereby given that a voluntary assignment duly authorized has been made by Cyprien Vezeau, farmer of Ste. Anne des Plaines, County and district of Terrebonne, on the 3rd of December and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held on Saturday, Jan. the 6th, 1940, in Ste. Anne des Plaines, at the residence of Dame Napoleon Chaumont, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

To have the right to vote at said meeting your proof of debt and proxy must be deposited in my hands, at my office, 295 Main St., Lachute, prior to the meeting or, at my office in Montreal, at 10 St. James Street, West, Suite 209.

Dated at Lachute this 23rd of December 1939

GUY LEGAULT
Advocate and Official Receiver under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act, District of Terrebonne
—1c

Urges Amendment in Plan for Winter Road Maintenance

Changes in the present system of winter road maintenance in the province of Quebec are considered advisable by J. A. Racicot, district engineer of the Roads Department. Mr. Racicot says, in connection with the need of change in the present system:

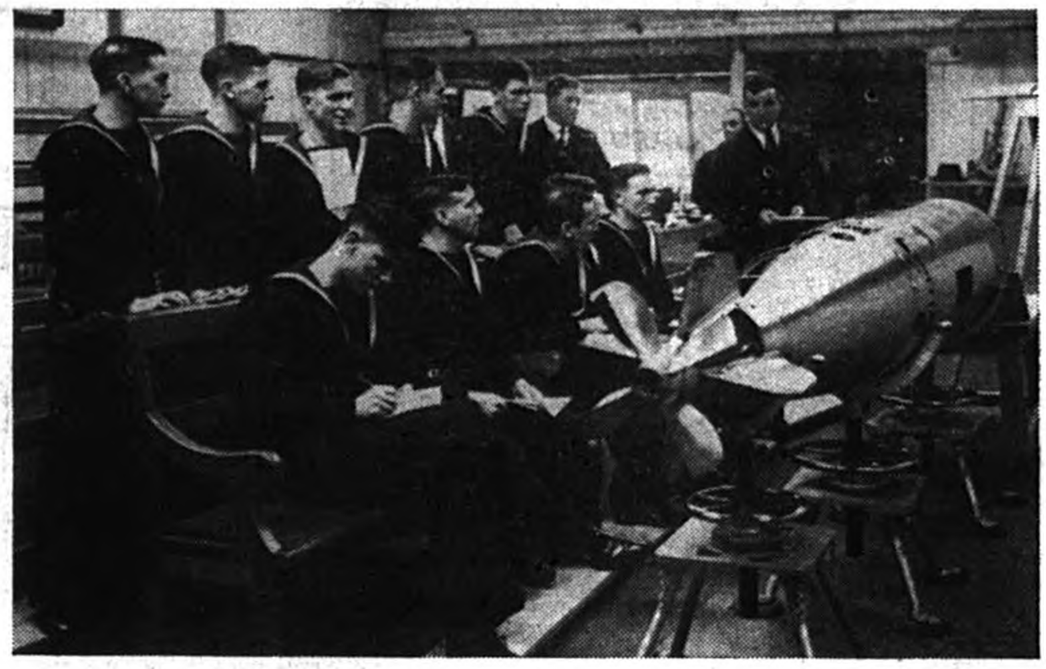
"Owing to the present disposition of the law, roads and highways which are maintained by the Roads Department during the summer season revert back to the care of the municipalities for the winter season. A law, the purpose of which is the maintenance of winter roads by the Roads Department or a contribution from it towards such an aim, enables the municipalities wishing to have motorized traffic in their locality to ask such aid of the Government. Under these conditions, the Roads Department has to wait until the municipalities ask, by resolution, for such winter maintenance before a program or list of roads to be maintained for wheeled vehicles can be drawn up.

"Each year these lists have to be made anew according to the requirements and decisions of the municipalities involved. The municipal contribution for winter road maintenance is from $75 to $125 per mile of road cared for by the Roads Department. The municipalities, furthermore, assume the responsibility for accidents and damages caused by, or resulting from, them during the winter maintenance period.

"The mechanism thus provided is far from perfect, as it causes undue delay in the preparation of the lists, and untold dickering before everyone concerned falls in accord, furthermore, it has the regrettable distinction of being put in motion too late, that is to say, when winter is about to begin.

"This system of tackling such an important problem is wrong, because it does not permit the engineers in charge of winter maintenance to provide adequately for the many details they will have to cope with, such as placing snow fences, storing sand piles at proper places, etc. Even the equipment already on hand and requisitioned, though sufficient for the circuits of winter roads previously figured on, may be found insufficient when the final program is drawn up, and the final mileage is found to be 20 per cent to 30 per cent higher than expected.

"These remarks are made with the object of stressing the importance of dealing with winter roads maintenance in due time, that is in midsummer, so as to be in a position to complete the organization and put the equipment in order, requisition additional machinery, which sometimes takes three months to be delivered, and also make the necessary preparation of the winter road circuits."



TRAINING YOUNG SEA-DOGS FOR BRITAIN

This scene at one of Britain's naval dockyards shows a class of boys studying torpedoes on a Torpedo School Ship.

Safety on the Highway

● By W. J. CAMERON —The Ford Sunday Evening Hour.

In almost every field of human concern, the *sentimental* approach has been followed by the *scientific*. Five years ago the "Ford Hour" was more frequently importuned to speak on Highway Safety than on any other subject; but there was little we could usefully say about it then because public interest in it was still at the emotional stage. Now, however, there is good news to tell. A rational approach has been made to this emotional problem, and important results can be announced.

American motorists drive 250 billion miles a year — ten times the mileage of all other forms of transportation combined. For each 100 million motor miles in the year 1935, there occurred 17 traffic deaths. This was reduced in 1938 to 13 deaths for each 100 million motor miles. Thus far in 1939, for each 100 million motor miles, only 11 fatalities have occurred. These figures have behind them the authority of the Automotive Safety Foundation and are given in its latest Annual Report. Interpreted, the steady reduction in fatality rate means that 29,000 lives have been saved in the last four years; there have been one million fewer personal injuries; and one billion dollars in cash loss including property damage, has been prevented. This is the result of only four years of scientific control rather sparsely applied, but very important as showing what will be achieved as the new methods are more widely adopted.

How was this done? Very largely by public highway and police officials using techniques of safety education, engineering and enforcement developed by experts in our universities. Each year the universities train men to apply these methods of scientific accident reduction The elements of the problem are the Driver, the Car and the Road. Applied to these are the three E's — Education, Enforcement and Engineering.

Drivers are being educated. Motorized transportation came upon the world so suddenly that most of us had to educate ourselves. It is said that only two million of this country's 40 million automobile drivers have had any instruction in driving. This educational work is being done by 46 national organizations, and more than 40 universities now give teacher training in it. The up-to-date motorist rapidly learns it is *smart* to drive safely.

The motor car has been made safe. A balanced and reliable car has much to do with making a safe driver. Cars have more power for emergencies; brakes and tires are safer; safety glass is universal; car structures are stronger; cars hold the road and steer more reliably; response is instantaneous. The new Sealed-Beam Head-Lamps in this year's cars are the latest safety device.

The road is being made safer. Last week the American Association of State Highway Officials, comprising professional highway engineers and administrators, celebrated its 25th anniversary at Richmond, Virginia. This Association has made the public conscious of the *Road* as a vital element in safety. In 25 years these officials have seen paved state highways increase from 15,000 miles to more than 113,000 miles. Unfortunately, this increase is not what it should have been, because *one billion dollars paid by motorists to build and maintain good roads*, have been diverted to other purposes by local and state administrations. These State Highway officials have earmarked 58,000 miles of road for rebuilding; 21,000 miles for widening; 19,000 miles for relocation and 19,376 bridges for widening and rebuilding. They point also to 30,000 railway grade crossings that should be eliminated. With motor accidents decreasing in the cities, but increasing in rural districts, these recommendations are important.

There are now a little fewer than 5,000 miles of highways having four lanes or more. On the basis of present traffic requirements it is estimated that 1,000 miles of divided multiple-lane highways should be built each year for the next 22 years. This program we are told would not only substantially reduce accident possibilities by designing safety into the highway, but would entail no new financial burden. License fees and gasoline taxes now paid by motorists, and the normal increase in motor car use, would carry the full program on a pay-as-you-go basis, *if taxes collected for roads were invested in roads.*

You see, then, the extent of the safety work that is being done and some of its results. In cities it has been found that one third of all motor accidents occur at specific places, due to misplaced lights, lights indistinguishable against the sun, obstructed visibility or road faults. Another third are due to unscientific or unenforced regulation. Selected police officers now take college courses given by experts in the detection and removal of these causes. Two thirds of our city mishaps are already under preventive treatment. A splendid feature of it all is the whole-hearted co-operation given by all our people. Great civic organizations co-operate; schools, public and parochial, co-operate; automotive and insurance companies co-operate. People co-operate for safety as they do for health and fire protection, because highway safety *is* a matter of public health as much as a pure water or milk supply. The American genius for co-operation in a good cause employing methods that command intellectual respect, was never better exemplified than in this work.

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