



The Road to Christmas

An Editorial
By Bruce Catton

THE road to Christmas is a snowy road, and it winds between white fields and dark, wood-covered hills to a lamp-lit farmhouse far out in the country.

The air is cool, crisp, and so still that the silvery tinkle of the sleigh bells carries a long way. The night sky is a deep and rich blue-black in which the stars look warm and friendly. The fields have gone to sleep for the winter, and the snow has drifted deep against the penciled outlines of the fences; but on Christmas Eve there is an air of expectancy, so that the world seems to be drowsing with one eye open, ready to burst forth in some kind of glad, jubilant welcome whenever it gets the signal.

Now we all know this road to Christmas. We've traveled it, as children—or, if we are hapless city-bound folk, at least in our imagination. The sleigh glides swiftly along the frozen road, the horses' hoof-beats muffled in the soft footing, the runners squeaking a little now and then in the frost; and the sleigh bells keep up that faint, merry jingling so that a gay noise keeps racing ahead down the road. At the far end of the trip there will be grandpa and grandma, holding out a lamp and waving greetings from the open door of the farmhouse; meanwhile, as the people in the sleigh snuggle down under heavy robes, there is a feeling of peace and happiness riding with them to keep them warm. . . .

Yes, that's all familiar enough. But this Christmas road is the strangest road that any of us ever travel, even if it is familiar; because it takes us where we can see the gleam of an ancient miracle, and feel the breathless hush of a mystery older than created time.

Miracles and mysteries don't have so very much place in our lives these days. We have our livings to make and our day-to-day problems to solve, and we sometimes get in the habit of assuming that the only important things in life are the things that we can see and handle and weigh and measure. But on the road to Christmas we suddenly understand what our prophets and seers and artists have been trying to tell us for centuries—namely, that the exact reverse of that is true, and that the fundamentals of human life go deeper than any measuring rod can ever reach.

And so, understanding that, we have a chance to comprehend also the deep and unforgettable significance of the Christmas story itself.

This story is nothing less than a reassurance that all our most wistful and fragile dreams are true. It is our eternal reminder that the world which we see is only an unsubstantial cloak for the world which we do not see; that the human soul, with its cargo of dreams and desires which are too fragile for realization on this harsh earth, is imperishable and eternal; that we shall some day be able to become the people that we ought to be today.

THERE is no especial reason why we cannot keep that in mind day in and day out, all through the year. But we don't. Life itself gets in our way, with its demands on our time and our energy, its disappointments and its disillusionments, its brutalities and its meannesses.

We worship the Prince of Peace, and make the earth horrible with our wars; we worship One Who scorned wealth, and spend our days in a frantic scramble after money; we worship a God of Justice, and permit the most shocking injustices to fill our land, year in and year out. Since we do those contradictory things, it is only natural that we should also lose sight of the most fundamental truth of all, and forget that there are a divinity and a high destiny in every human heart.

But if we do forget it the rest of the year, we can remember it at Christmas time. That lonely Galilean pasture, that drafty stable in a small town in Syria, that magic star which drew the wise men out of those strange lands beyond the Jordan—when we travel the road to Christmas they lie just over the next hill. Our world touches the world of which they tell us, and the border becomes indistinct and hazy; in the miracle of Christmas Eve we can understand that the veil of the heavens was once torn apart, that wondering men in a sheep field heard an undying song and trumpets of triumph sounding from immutable ramparts, that all the wonder and mystery and hopeful beauty of life could be encompassed in a humble manger and given reality in the eyes of a tiny baby.

That is a great deal to discover, on one sleigh ride on a winter night? Perhaps; and yet it is there, as it always has been, waiting for us to open our eyes to it. It is implicit in all the familiar ritual of Christmas—in the buying of gifts, the singing of carols, the effort to be a little bit more generous and kind and thoughtful than we ordinarily are, and in this symbolical Christmas ride which we all take in spirit if not in sober fact. . . .

So the sleigh swings on along the white road, with the sound of its bells riding ahead through the still air like a courier; and at last the lights of the farmhouse come in sight, and the horses quicken their pace, and the sleigh turns in at the drive and pulls up in front of an opened door, where the lamplight shines out over the bent shoulders of two smiling old people; and the night becomes noisy with that most valiant of human cries—

"Merry Christmas!"

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas Messages By Local Pastors

Rev. H. M. Little Church of the Advent

Rev. F. W. Kerr St. Andrew's Church

Rev. A. Lloyd Smith Dominion-Douglas Church

Rev. Frank S. Morley Stanley Presbyterian Church

There was no room for them in the inn. When the Eternal Son of God assumed our human nature and was born in Bethlehem he was crowded out. He came amidst His sinful creatures in the deepest humility and love and nobody wanted Him. "He came unto His own, and His own received him not."

George Bernard Shaw once proposed that we abolish Christmas. Then from all sides rose the cry that we abolish Mr. Shaw. And so it goes. We can not blame Mr. Shaw. Indeed, in self-defence he could do no other because one thing is certain. If Christmas is retained then every grumpy, old cynic has to go. As certain as that scrooge bought a bag the biggest turkey he could carry, so certain is it that selfishness, and greed, and hatred, and warfare can not long withstand the annual assaults of the Christmas Spirit.

Our physical lives are subject to forces and influences of which we are generally unaware, such as atmosphere, pressure or the pull of the sun. But the Christian interpretation of history is that there is another influence unceasingly being brought to bear upon the human race, silent as light, ubiquitous as gravitation and unremittent in its action. It is the pressure of God's purpose for the world. In eternity before creation, God planned a race of men who should eventually fully share His nature. With infinite skill and wondrous beauty He prepared a home for this people. Into this home at length He brought man and by slow stages has urged him up the moral slope toward heights of spiritual achievement. That purpose is as constantly in God's thought and dealings as the architect's plan lies in his mind as he superintends the erection of a building.

A friend of mine said to me the other day that he just didn't dare wish anyone a Merry Christmas this year because it sounded too much like irony. I think he's wrong. I believe that his "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" should ring more clearly this year than any other year. Our Lord came to the world at such a time and for such a time as this. The Christian message is good news for exactly our kind of world. Indeed, alone of the peoples of the earth, we Christians should have an unconquerable hopefulness, because we alone have a true faith, we alone have a house built on foundations that cannot be shaken.

In this century we see the King of Love the Saviour of Mankind expelled from Russia. Communism is strictly materialistic, it knows no life apart from the one on this earth. Germany has erected a supreme deity the sole deity of the State and has tried to expel the God of Love. The League of Nations altruistic in ideal has deliberated often and much but in none of its debates can one see room is provided for the Son of Mary. And the collective result of all this is the chaotic condition of the present world. Crowd out the Babe of Bethlehem and nations as well as individuals are doomed.

Christmas came like a gleam of hope in a dark world. Each year for a handful of days, the Prince of Peace is given right of way. It is the truce of God, a gentle interlude when men may catch the oncoming notes of the Angel Chorus. It is a fleeting dream of a world high above all discord, and with music everywhere. But Christmas is gone to soon. The rapid days glide by and we have lost them while the welcome is still warm upon our lips. It is a lovely episode, but it is swept away by the inexorable hours. Yet it has left behind a lingering fragrance like the memory of a royal visit. All the days ahead will be less drab because of the brightness of the candles at Christmas, the harsh clamor of the world will be softened because of this wave of kindness that deluged us, and the hope is quickened that soon all the nations will kneel side by side hand clasping hand, by the cradle of Bethlehem.

God exerts His influence very gently lest He interfere with the development of free personalities, but in every way He can, and as fast as He can, with a patience and indefatigability beyond our comprehension, God is constantly pressing man forward. And His plans do eventually come to pass. This world at present is passing through one of its blackest periods, when man in his freedom has turned viciously into the ways of sin. But the end is not yet. The Fall of Rome seemed to many people to be the finish of civilization, but it was not. There were those who trembled when feudalism began to decay, thinking that the bases of society were in collapse, but a new and better

structure was rising. The Divine Right of Kings was once defended by good citizens as the cornerstone of the state. It had to yield to the higher right of the people. To-day in spite of all that seems so discouraging we are being taught tremendously valuable truths. Life is always an adventure into the unknown — and mankind has to learn its lessons by the costly method of trial and error. Christmas summons us to believe that as the despots of the past have proven impermanent, and by their passing have strengthened the cause of democracy so it will be again.

Is Jesus Christ crowded out of present day Canadian life? Of business? Of politics? Of pleasure? He is the Judge as well as the Saviour and today is the day of judgment of the sifting of the nations. Oh that everyone on His Birthday led captive by His inexhaustible love would welcome Him, and enthrone Him and live under His authority the only hope of the world is the peace that Jesus Christ brings "to men of goodwill." The sole hope for a reconstructed world after it has been purged and purified by the scourge of war is an international society built on love to one another through loyalty to one King alone, the King of Love who lies a helpless infant in the manger.

ripe tomatoes and fancy biscuits or cake that mother had packed in our knapsacks. We washed down the food with cup after cup of strong tea, boiled in a can over the fire.

On other occasions, when rain kept us indoors, we made boats in his grandfather's workshop. They didn't amount to much as boats; they invariably overturned before the first swirl of current and floated over their pocket-handkerchief sails submerged.

Boldog Karacsonyi Unnepek - That's Merry Christmas to You

Tin Hao Nian. Glad Julen. Boas Festes. Felice Natale. Kinga Shinen. Gracium Felicitatiune. Iehok Yilara. Boldog Karacsonyi Unnepek. Chrystovjenna. Wesolyeh Swiat. Vrolijeke Kerstmis. Felices Pascuas. Joyeux Noel.

Christmas card that arrived in the mail this morning. It wouldn't take a Sherlock Holmes to tell that it was one that he had received last year. The original signature had been carefully erased, and "Neighbor John" had been scrawled in its place. We much, only when we examined the card closely, we discovered that it was the one we sent to him last year.

We each took a licking once for scaring the daylight out of a crotchety neighbor by spinning a tic-tac on his kitchen window. We had reason to dislike that particular neighbor. He had picked his cherries on the afternoon of the very night we had planned to raid the tree.

On Christmas Eve, in that magic hour of candlelight, I should read aloud the simple story of His birth: the tired and travel-worn Mary and Joseph, arriving in Bethlehem on their way back to their little cottage in Nazareth, finding the inns too full for accommodation, and seeking the shelter of the open stable.

And a Merry, Merry Christmas. That is the way they say "Merry Christmas," or its equivalent, in China, Sweden, Portugal, Italy, Japan, Rumania, Turkey, Bohemia, Greece, Poland, Denmark, Spain, France and Quebec, and in the English-speaking countries.

Nice fellow, Neighbor John. He isn't tight; just frugal. Some people have the knack of tucking a goodly share of genuine Christmas spirit into the envelope with their Christmas card. A Scottish friend of ours invariably sends us a plain card with a simple greeting, enclosing a tiny sprig of real heather between the folds. We appreciate that card more than we can tell. That bit of heather seems so expressive of the personality of our Scottish friend. It revives old memories, gives new life to a friendship of long standing.

One evening, we took turns riding on the back of old "Bob", the family horse, on his way to pasture. Sometimes we fought over whose turn it was, but we always made up. We blacked his right eye once, and mother made us go over to his house to apologize and make friends. He accepted the apology and sent us home with a bloody nose.

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Neighbor John isn't sending us a present this year, after all. He was so darned mad at the story we told about him a couple of weeks ago that he barely speaks to us.

Yesterday we received a card from a friend on the other side of the continent. We played together as kids. On Saturdays, we used to hike a few miles to Gage's Creek, and spend glorious hours exploring its banks. We fished in the deep pool beneath the big elm, where the stream broke away in a wide curve through the woods. We caught tiny crawfish in the shallows and carried them home in tin cans as treasured possessions. We pried away the limestone under the bridge to dig out fossilized snail shells for our "museums". When the sun was high in the sky, we picked a shady spot near the spring and made a fire after the best Boy Scout fashion. We ate prodigiously of thick meat sandwiches, hard-boiled eggs, luscious

He liked cucumbers and insisted on eating them with the "skin" on. We hated cucumbers. We used to go to the woods on Victoria Day to pick wild flowers and to look for leeks. Leeks, in case you don't know, are like onions and grow wild. We always took plenty of bread and butter and made our lunch on bread and leeks. Once, the Newshound ate the root of a "jack-in-the-pulpit" by mistake, and it made us deathly ill. Our friend had to practically carry us home.

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The other night, he leaned over the fence to say what he thought. It didn't take him long. But apparently he has relented to some extent. He sent us a

As kids will we formed a gang. We were joint leaders. We had four other kids as lieutenants, accomplices, gangsters, or whatever you care to call them. We had a secret initiation, gleaned from the pages of Mark Twain's unforgettable "Tom Sawyer." We had secret passwords and salutes and whistles. The whistle was our version of the call of the whipoorwill. Our secret sign was a red hand. We scrawled the symbol on almost everything we owned in gory red ink. Even if the fingers were all thumbs, it was a very good resemblance to a hand, and made a fine symbol for a desperate gang of juveniles.

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In a War-Darkened World the Child Should Hear Again the Story of Christ

Simple Tale of the Babe of Bethlehem, of Mary and Joseph, Might Be Read on Christmas Eve



The three Magi at the manger where the Babe of Bethlehem has been born to Mary, wife of Joseph.

This year it is advisable, I think, to bring the religious part of Christmas to the children's minds. Were it not for what happened in Bethlehem two thousand years ago, there would be no Christmas.

Now, the whole of Christendom is endangered by dark powers that repudiate not only Christ but God. Perhaps it takes a crisis to strengthen the Christian philosophy, which means liberty of living, peace, kindness and brotherly love.

Such a crisis we have now. The younger generation in other countries are enthusiastic about the creed of might. We should teach our own children to think in dramatic terms. They must have their ideas and ideals personified.

Surely the greatest story ever told is that of the Christ Child, the Babe to become the Teacher whose example was the first enduring word of forgiveness, forbearance, tolerance and kindness the world had known. We must remember that many people who are not called Christians have adopted His ethics in their daily living.

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Only Few of 500 Millions Have Christmas Snowfall

Britons throughout the world conjure up a picture of snow-covered fields, glistening evergreens and frozen lakes as an ideal Christmas setting, but only a small proportion of the 500,000,000 inhabitants of the globe "red-dotted" areas ever see the "old-fashioned" Christmas card landscape usually associated with Yuletide.

Envy Jack Canuck Jack Canuck and his neighbor in Newfoundland are envied abroad at this holiday season. While they stoke their furnaces and settle down to roast turkey and cranberry sauce in a real Christmasy environment, their Australian and South African cousins, swelter in temperatures that frequently soar well above the 100 mark.

The British Isles found Jack Frost in one of his rare, wild moods this week and Father Christmas can be counted on to make his annual visit in most districts with old-time ceremonial. He will hitch Donner and Blitzen and all the rest of his ancient sleigh for the first time in many years.

There will be no "white Christmas" in other parts of the British Empire but the Christmas spirit is unconquered by torrid heat and tropical storms.

Singapore — the cross-roads of the East — makes Yuletide a time of revelry despite the heat and same can be said of Hong Kong where British folk gather for dinners and dances. In the West Indies they put on their best "bib" and "tucker" go to early church and follow it up with open-air concerts in Kingston, Jamaica, and other big centres.

Down in the Antipodes mid-summer holidays are getting underway. Blazing sunshine makes

no difference to the Aussie's enthusiasm at Christmas although picnics with cold turkey are gaining favor. Sydney people make for Coogee, Bondi, and other coast resorts and the feast is preceded by a dip in the ocean. Even on lonely up-country sheep stations where the heat is terrific, routine duties are laid aside.

By an odd coincidence, among the last in the Empire to celebrate Yuletide will be about 200 dwellers on Christmas Island. The little Polynesian outpost in the Western Pacific will observe the festival nearly a full day later than the islands not so far away on the other side of the international date line.

Rev. D. Forsyth to Preach At Calvary Church Sunday

The Christmastide is here and everywhere one hears and sees the tokens of good-will and joy brought by the coming of the Christ Child. Notwithstanding the unrest caused by conditions across the waters, the Star of Bethlehem still brings its message of "Greater Love" to the troubled sons and daughters of men. Why not spend this Christmas Sunday in church? Calvary Church invites all to join in the service at 11 a.m. when the interim preacher the Rev. D. I. Forsyth, B.A., B.D., is speaking on the theme "Stable-Home Only." At this service the choir of the church will render special Christmas music; while the juvenile members of the Friendly Home will sing Christmas Carols. At 3 p.m. the Sunday School will meet in open session. A short Christmas Pageant will be given and favourite carols will be sung. At 7:30 p.m. a service of unusual interest is promised; for, in addition to a short meditative address by the Rev. D. I. Forsyth on the subject of "We Still Have Music," the carol service will be of an antiphonal nature. The senior choir, augmented by a number of friends, will occupy the choir-loft, while the Junior and Intermediate choirs, numbering sixty members, will sing from the gallery at the back of the Church. We hope that many of those who read this message will be free to worship and sing with us. Come and worship Christ the New-born King. We also invite you most heartily to watch the Old Year out and to welcome in the New Year at Calvary Church on Sunday, December 31st, at 11.15 p.m. The preacher at this service will be the Rev. R. DeWitt Scott.

Simple Xmas Giving Is Advocated

When we were children, we were encouraged by our mother to make our own Christmas presents. For weeks we planned, we drew and colored, we covered boxes, made sewing cases, needle-books, blotters, all pretty and all finished under our mother's guiding hand. And I still like the idea of handmade presents, though it may not be my own hand that has made them. A friend makes jellies far better than mine. She gathers the fruit early in the morning from her own garden — grapes, guavas, and blackberries for jelly, figs and strawberries for jam — and has the faculty of cooking them to perfection. So I buy her jellies to wrap as gifts and pack in small baskets. For several years my husband bought cases of jams and marmalade which a fellow club-member made in the evenings. An odd hobby for a man, but he enjoyed it, and the results were delicious. We used part of the supply ourselves and gave the rest as gifts. This year I have heard of a friend who is making wonderful caramels. She packs them in a clever container of her own design and sells them through a gift shop, helping in this way her daughter, who is in college. We will buy several boxes for friends who are candy connoisseurs and

will pass the word on to others. Last Christmas I found an English woman who made rich fruit cakes, dark or light, in her own kitchen, and a little Scotswoman who made me most wonderful Scotch shortbread in special small sizes. Sometimes the gifts are from further afield but still made by hand; woven runners made by the blind, hillfolds laced with veterans, hearth brooms made by the mountain folk of Kentucky. And for other presents, of course we go to the shops like other people! When it comes to Christmas cards, we like to design our own, but if we put it off too long we try to find cards, designed by artist friends, for sale in the smaller shops, and also buy some of the American Artist Series which are published each year. Planning and buying in this way seems to keep for us some of the genuine pleasure that we had as children at Christmas time.

St. Stephen's Church 4006 Dorchester Street West Westmount, P.Q. DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion. CHRISTMAS DAY 6 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Choral Communion & Sermon. Rev. Harold S. Laws, M.A., Rector

Westmount Baptist Church Sherbrooke St. W. & Roslyn Ave. J. Alexander Johnston, B.A., Minister. Mr. Shirley McKays, Choir Leader Mrs. F. J. Hodgson, Organist 11 a.m. "THE SHEPHERD LADS OF BETHLEHEM" Interrupted Vigil — Verifying Venture — Vivified Life. Grand Christmas Music. 7.30 p.m. CANDLE-LIT SERVICE With Impressive Scene Amid Baptismal Service. Mr. Johnston will preach. Christmas Hymns, Carols and Anthems. Visitors Cordially Welcome. Watch-Night Service — Sunday, December 31st. SPECIAL CHRISTMASTIDE SERVICES Preacher at both services: Rev. D. T. I. Forsyth, B.A., B.D. 11.00 a.m. "Stable-room Only." 3.00 p.m. Open Session of Sunday School. Christmas Pageant with carol singing. 7.30 p.m. Special Carol Service. Augmented Senior Choir, with the Junior and Intermediate Choirs in the gallery. Theme of address, "We Still Have Music." Come and Worship Christ the new-born King.

The officers and members of Westmount Women's Club extend heartiest season's greetings to their many friends.

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Ch. George of Merrymont, a
Skye terrier owned by Mrs. Percy
Adams, of Westmount, won the
best dog in the show award at the
initial dog show of the Province
of Quebec Kennel Club held on
Saturday night at the Rialto Hall.
Considered one of the most
successful events of its kind held
for some time the show had an
entry list of 158 dogs.
The variety classes were one
of the main features of the affair,
and Judge Briggs of Ottawa re-
marked on the high quality of the
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Ald. Dave Rochon presented the
cup to Mrs. Adams for the premier
award.
MAN INJURED IN
STREET MISHAP
Woo Chip, a cook employed by
Dr. W. L. McDougall, of 342 Red-
fern avenue, suffered a lacerated
right eye and bruises about the
body when he was struck by a
truck driven by Ernest R. Barrie,
of 425 Mount Pleasant avenue,
on Sherbrooke street near Argyle
avenue at 11:15 p.m. on Thursday.
Barrie told police that the man
walked into the path of his truck
from behind a bus and that he was
unable to avoid striking him. He
stopped immediately and took the
injured man to the Homeopathic
Hospital where he was given treat-
ment and detained for observation.
He was unable to give any details
of the accident.
Westmount Holds Annual
Staff Party On Friday
The annual Christmas party for
employees of the municipality
sponsored by the City of West-
mount will be held in Victoria Hall
on Friday afternoon commencing
at 4 o'clock, it was announced at
the City Hall yesterday.
The function, which is looked
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CRAFT CLUB TO LEAD HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT Y

Will be Open From 10 to 12 O'Clock Every Morning Until Jan. 3

This year as in previous years, the Craft Club will take the lead in the Christmas holiday program at Westmount Y.M.C.A. The Craftshop will be open from 10-12 a.m. every morning, from December 27 until the end of the holidays. Members of the club are asked to note that the Craftshop will not be open this Friday.

Wood-burning has been carried on for the past few weeks, and has proved very popular. Members of the "Y" who wish to burn their names or initials on their hockey sticks are invited to come and do so.

Since it started the season September 29, the club's fifty-five members have made a hundred and sixty models. The plan for organizing all the crafts in one club has proved very successful, and will be continued until Easter, when the shield will be awarded to the boy doing the best work during the season.

Under the direction of Wallace Beaton, Ross Seaman, and Gordon Mackey, the club carries on basketry, woodwork, cordwork, leatherwork, and many other crafts.

DOG OWNED BY MRS. P. ADAMS WINS AWARD

Skye Terrier Receives Top Honors at Province of Quebec Kennel Club Show

Ch. George of Merrymont, a Skye terrier owned by Mrs. Percy Adams, of Westmount, won the best dog in the show award at the initial dog show of the Province of Quebec Kennel Club held on Saturday night at the Rialto Hall.

Considered one of the most successful events of its kind held for some time the show had an entry list of 158 dogs.

The variety classes were one of the main features of the affair, and Judge Briggs of Ottawa remarked on the high quality of the exhibits.

MAN INJURED IN STREET MISHAP

Woo Chip, a cook employed by Dr. W. L. McDougall, of 342 Redfern avenue, suffered a lacerated right eye and bruises about the body when he was struck by a truck driven by Ernest R. Barrie, of 425 Mount Pleasant avenue, on Sherbrooke street near Argyle avenue at 11:15 p.m. on Thursday.

Westmount Holds Annual Staff Party On Friday

The annual Christmas party for employees of the municipality sponsored by the City of Westmount will be held in Victoria Hall on Friday afternoon commencing at 4 o'clock, it was announced at the City Hall yesterday.

R.M.R. Arrives Safely In England

Official announcement that the Royal Montreal Regiment had landed safely in Britain was made Monday afternoon by Hon. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, in a speech broadcast from England. It was the first news of the safe arrival of Canadian troops overseas.

BOYS BRIGADE PREPARES FOR ANNUAL EVENT

Mid-winter Exhibition of Activities Will be Held By Company Dec. 29

Members of the First Westmount Company of the Boys Brigade are busy these days preparing for their annual Mid-Winter display to be held on December 29th. Invitations will be going out this week to parents and friends, to witness this event.

The display will cover all phases of Brigade work carried on by the boys each week, including an exhibit of handicraft, based on a miniature hobby show. This will be arranged by Privates Tommy Hannah, Jack Goodfellow, Kenneth Nicoll and Gordon Kearns.

The Company's annual Boys Brigade Week campaign has now terminated and while all returns are not yet in, Pte. Edward Hilborne leads and Pte. Jim Wilson is second. Prizes will be awarded at the display.

It is announced that Lieut. John Jeffrey, graduate of the local company and now of the 11th, is taking charge of the Battalion hockey this season. Mr. Jeffrey has always proven his excellent ability to organize sports and will undoubtedly make this one of the most successful seasons.

TO DEDICATE NEW CENTRE ON JANUARY 12TH

Address Will be Delivered By Dr. Samuel Goldenson, of New York City

The congregation of Temple Emanu-El will dedicate the new Temple Centre on Friday evening, January 12. The dedicatory address will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Goldenson of Temple Emanu-El, New York City. On Saturday evening, the Congregational Banquet will be held at which time Rabbi Isaac Landman, of Temple Beth Elohim, Brooklyn, a former minister of Temple Emanu-El, will be the guest speaker.

A number of local Clergy will participate in this historic function. The Brotherhood, Sisterhood and Young People's Society on Sunday evening, January 14th will have its own celebration in observance of the Dedication.

The College of Jewish Studies and the School for Emigrees will not hold sessions during the fortnight of December 25th to January 7th. Classes will be resumed both in the School for Emigrees and College of Jewish Studies on Monday evening, January 8th, 1940.

GUEST SPEAKER

"The Submarine" will be the title of the address given under the auspices of Temple Forum by Commander Edward Ellsberg on Wednesday evening, January 31st.

WILL BROADCAST CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



On Christmas Day at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, His Majesty the King will broadcast a Christmas message to listeners throughout the Empire. The broadcast will be heard in Canada over the CBC national network following the Empire Christmas program at 9.15 EST.

Business Body Extends Its Greetings

The Business Association of Westmount extends Christmas greetings to local residents and records its appreciation of the support it has received in the following message submitted to the Examiner yesterday:
The year 1939 is drawing to a close and the members of the Business Association of Westmount wish at this time to extend to the citizens of Westmount their heartfelt thanks for their generous support during the closing year.
It is indeed gratifying to note that most of our members report increased business during 1939.
This we attribute to the repeated appeals through the Examiner to shop in Westmount and the buying public's ready response to these appeals.
The members wish at this time to extend to the citizens the sincerest of wishes for Christmas and the Coming Year, and trust that their service in the past will insure continued support in the future.
C. A. JAMES,
Chairman Publicity Committee
Business Association
of Westmount.

FAIR BOOTHS ARE ARRANGED

Temple Emanu-El committees are now at work in arranging for booths for the fair which the Sisterhood has undertaken and which will be held in the new Temple Center on Jan. 23, 24. Conveners are Mesdames Arthur Simon, J. N. Neumann, H. Wolfe, W. N. Carin, J. Lewinson, M. Silverstein, Executives, Mesdames Albert Michael, Jos. Kruger, G. G. Gray.
Sewing sessions are held every Monday throughout the day, in the Lecture Hall of Temple. On Saturday and Sunday regular sessions in all departments of the Religious School will be held. However, on Sunday, December 31st, the usual mid-winter recess will be observed.
Daily Hebrew sessions are held Monday and Wednesday afternoons at 4 o'clock; the Dramatic Group meets every Tuesday at 4 o'clock; Temple Boy Scout Troop meets every Tuesday at 7:15; Temple Cub Pack meets Sunday afternoon at 2:30.
All classes of the Religious School are now held in the new Temple Center Building.

Prize Winners Announced In Limerick Competition

Winner of the first prize of a canary and cage offered in the limerick contest conducted last week in the Examiner by the Business Association of Westmount was Miss Mabel Hamilton, of 445 Mount Pleasant avenue, who submitted the last line to the following limerick:
Of thousands of good things [to eat,
By far most important is meat!
Try Clement's Today
For their meat is O.K.
Like Britain it cannot be beat!
Second prize, a 15 pound turkey, was won by Mrs. Joan Marshall, of 4712 Western avenue.
Her entry follows:
This season one must have [the best,
To enjoy the Yule dinner with [zest!
At Box's you'll get
The finest food yet
To please the most critical guest.
The third prize winner was Mrs. Walter Jackson, 427 Argyle avenue, who will receive a 10 pound turkey.
Her entry:
Now a radio makes a fine gift!
(And at Acme the service is [swift!)
If you'd like to buy one
Just come in and try one
A small one or one you can't [lift!
Awarded the fourth prize of a six pound Christmas cake was Mrs. (Continued on Page 4)

The Week At Victoria Hall

Friday: Westmount Women's Club Christmas party; Westmount Rotary Club Christmas party; Westmount Stamp Club; Westmount Conclave, True Kindred.
Wednesday, Dec. 27: Westmount Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; Westmount Rotary Club Weekly luncheon meeting; Victorian Order of Nurses.
Thursday, Dec. 28: Montreal Dispensary, bridge and dance.

CALLING ALL LATE SHOPPERS
FOR GIFTS FOR EVERYONE
TURN TO THE
METCALFE PHARMACY
ADVERTISEMENT
ON PAGE 7

City Approves Plans For Park

P. E. Jarman, City Manager, in his Monthly Report to the General Committee of the City Council reported that the plans, specifications and estimates for a shelter in Prince Albert Park prepared by Cecil McDonald, the architect retained by the City for that purpose, were approved.

Construction will be deferred until next spring. The shelter will be of brick with slate roof, and the dressing rooms will accommodate boys and girls separately. The building will be heated by an oil furnace.

CECIL W. TYRE, NOTED CURLER, LAID TO REST

Was Canadian Manager of Phoenix Assurance Company, of London, Eng.

Cecil Watson Clarke Tyre, of 719 Upper Belmont avenue, was paid final tribute at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the chapel of Jos. C. Wray and Bro., Mountain street. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. F. J. Wilkinson, of the Church of St. James the Apostle, assisted by the Rev. Canon F. L. Whitley, of St. Anne de Bellevue. Mr. Tyre, Canadian manager of the Phoenix Assurance Company, of London, Eng., and associated companies, died at his residence on Monday morning. He was 57 years of age.

Although he had not been well for a few days prior to his death he was at his office on Francois Xavier street Saturday morning and there was nothing to indicate that his illness was so grave.

Widely known as a skillful curler, Mr. Tyre was born at Pointe Claire on Sept. 4, 1882, the son of Robert W. and Julia (Dyde) Tyre. He received his education at the Montreal High School and in August 1911 he married Gertrude Ellen, daughter of the late Edwin J. Bones. She survives him as well as two sons, Robert E. D. Tyre, of Montreal, and James R. C. Tyre, of Toronto; a daughter, Miss Jean H. P. Tyre, of Montreal; and a sister, Miss Charlotte Tyre, of Montreal. Commencing in a junior position when he was 16 years of age, Mr. Tyre joined the Phoenix Assurance in 1908. He was promoted steadily until he became manager and chief agent of the Company for Canada.

Mr. Tyre acted for a time as inspector for the Phoenix, and was appointed secretary of the company in 1921. In 1929 he became assistant manager, and in April 1934 he was appointed manager and chief agent for Canada, as well as manager for Canada of the following associated companies: Columbia Insurance Company of New Jersey; Imperial Assurance Company of New York; Union Marine and General Insurance Company, Ltd. of Liverpool, England; and United Firemen's Insurance Company, Philadelphia. He was vice-president of the "North" Empire Fire Insurance Company; branch manager, Montreal for the Acadia Fire Insurance Company of Halifax, and fire manager for Canada for the London Guarantee and Accident Company Ltd.

His chief recreations were golf and curling, and he was also a good shot. He was a member of the St. James Club, the Royal Montreal Golf Club, the Royal Montreal Curling Club, and the M.A.A.A. Mr. Tyre had been a member of the Royal Montreal Curling Club since 1901, and was skip of one of the two rinks that won the Governor-General's trophy in 1932.

MAN SENTENCED FOR LOITERING

When he appeared before Recorder Charles A. Hale in Westmount police court Saturday morning on a charge of loitering a man who said his name was Jack Ward, and that he came from Moncton, N.B., was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 plus \$5 costs, with the option of 30 days in jail. The accused, who pleaded guilty, chose the jail term.
Ward was arrested by Constables Denbigh and Scheffer on Clarke avenue on Dec. 12.

CITY ACQUIRES LAND FOR NEW PARK AT CORNER OF SHERBROOKE ST. AND WOOD

Playground Will be Constructed During 1940 — Equipment for Children is to be Installed — Skating Rink Will be Operated During Winter — Area is 52,800 Square Feet

The Property at the north-east corner of Sherbrooke street and Wood avenue, with an area of 52,800 square feet, will be converted into a municipal park by the city during 1940, it was announced at the office of the City Manager yesterday.

The land has been acquired by the city from the trustees of the property of the priests of St. Sulpice of Montreal for this purpose and work on the land is expected to commence early in the spring.

The development will greatly improve the appearance of the district and will be an additional beauty spot in the proximity of the eastern boundaries of the city.
A feature of the park will be the installation of equipment designed primarily for the use of small children with the objective of providing an attraction that will keep them off the streets. Swings, a sand box and other equipment is to be installed and a skating rink will be operated during the winter.

Shrubby is to be planted in various sections on the area.

FINAL TRIBUTE PAID TO LATE JAMES MCLEAN

Funeral Service Held in Church of the Ascension Of Our Lord Tuesday

Friends and relatives paid final tribute to James F. McLean, of 79 Bruce avenue, at the Church of the Ascension of Our Lord on Tuesday morning at 8.30 o'clock. Interment followed the service in Cote des Neiges cemetery.

Mr. McLean died at a Montreal hospital on Saturday following a lengthy illness. He was 32 years of age.

Born and educated in Montreal, he had spent all his life here. He had formerly been employed by the Aluminum Company of Canada and later by the Dominion Chain Company.

Mr. McLean is survived by his mother, Mrs. F. A. Bussiere; his brother, J. Arthur McLean, and his sisters, the Misses Margaret and Francis McLean and Mrs. F. T. Hudon, all of Montreal.

CHOIR TO RENDER CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The choir of Stanley Presbyterian Church, under the direction of Walter S. Clapperton, will render the following Christmas music on Sunday morning:
Chorus—"And the Glory of the Lord";
Recitative—"Behold a Virgin shall conceive";
Air and Chorus—"Oh thou that tellest good tidings";
Soloist—Miss Dorothy Crabtree;
Recitative—"There were shepherds";
And Lo—"The Angel of the Lord";
"And the Angels said unto them";
"And suddenly there was with the Angels";
Soloist—Mrs. W. S. Clapperton;
Chorus—"Glory to God";
Chorus—"Hallelujah".

In the evening the church choir, assisted by the Junior Choir will lead in the community carol singing.

Parked Car Skids Into Stairway

Although it was left in gear and its brakes set, a driverless automobile parked opposite 548 Lansdowne avenue at 1 p.m. on Sunday started to slide down the snow-covered incline and struck the stairway leading to 545 Lansdowne a house on the opposite side of the street owned by J. C. Grant.

The car had been left at the curb by Mrs. John Murphy, of 343 Cote St. Antoine road, while she visited friends. It caused considerable damage to the stairway and its fenders and bumpers were slightly dented.

Spirit of Yuletide Season Evident Everywhere Here

The gay spirit of the Yuletide season is evident everywhere in Westmount today. The two large trees on the grounds fronting the City Hall and the two in Westmount Park brightly decorated by the municipality with colored lights combine with the hundreds of smaller Christmas trees placed by residents in front of their homes to make this city one of the most picturesque centres on the Island.
The stores, of course, reflect the gay atmosphere that pervades the entire scene and their brightly decorated windows and counters point happily to the fact that Christmas is but a few days away.
Even the sombre appearance of a police station is overshadowed by a Christmas tree that stands outside the entrance to the building.
Residents of Westmount are always particularly proud of the appearance of their city at this time of the year. Free of soot and smoke from factory chimneys the snow that covers its buildings, lawns and public parks creates a Christmas scene that is seldom found within the boundaries of a metropolis.

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GOODWILL TO MEN

"O hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing!"
The angels sang of peace and goodwill, and never was there greater need of those two things than today. The roar of guns and the clatter of armaments everywhere is making it harder than ever for the song of peace to be heard. And more sinister than these, and the baleful reason for their being, is the volume of threatenings and recriminations proceeding from statesmen in all lands.

There can be no progress in human welfare without peace, and there can be no peace without goodwill. Any general lapse from goodwill is a lapse in progress, a dangerous break in the fabric of civilization. The trouble with Europe just now is that goodwill has been lost, almost entirely, in a seething brew of hate, prejudice and arrogant intolerance. This is a denial of Christianity, for Christianity has demanded from all men the spirit of goodwill toward their fellows, irrespective of racial, social or political status.

Goodwill toward all men was rather a new thing at the beginning of the Christian era. Even the Apostle Peter learned with difficulty to appreciate the Gentiles. He had to cross racial barriers before he discovered that all men are of equal worth in the sight of God. So strong was his prejudice that he balked at a command, a Divine command at that, to go and visit a Roman centurion who had become interested in Christianity. When he had made the visit and found Cornelius to be a friend, he confessed, "Unto me hath God showed that I should not call any man common or unclean."

No man, whether he wear the vestments of the clergy or not, can entertain or foster racial and national prejudices and hatreds and be a good Christian. When he does so, he has lost Christianity's prevailing note and has lapsed into a pre-Christian state of mind and heart. The ancient world was filled with ill-will. To the Greeks non-Greeks were barbarians. To the Jews non-Jews were "goyim," outlanders. The early Romans had the same word, "hostis," for stranger and enemy. This is not to say that goodwill was lacking from the ancient world. But it was a strictly limited goodwill, goodwill to one's family, one's party, one's class or nation. But goodwill to all, persistent goodwill on the broad basis of the brotherhood of all mankind is, comparatively, a newcomer in this old world, and it still has to battle against pride and prejudice and envy and racial hatred. Of this latter H. G. Wells wrote

some years ago, and present events verify his words:
"I am convinced myself that there is no more evil thing in this present world than race prejudice, none at all. I write deliberately—it is the worst single thing in life now. It justifies and holds together more baseness, cruelty and abomination than any other sort of error in the world."

Some are puzzled at the venom with which modern tyrannies attack Christianity. The reason is simple. Christianity stands for goodwill, for brotherhood, for government by consent rather than by force. It proclaims human equality. It will exclude no one from the circle of its fellowship. It proclaims boldly—"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female; for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." Where that principle is recognized, tyrannies cease and democracies grow.

There can be no exceptions made in the application of the principle of goodwill. Jesus brought that out in His sermon on the Mount, in which He says, in effect, "You must love those whom you have learned to think of as your enemies, and, if they treat you badly, you must pray for them. So shall you really be like God your Father, who makes His sun shine on bad men and good men alike, and sends His rains on all men, whether they obey or disobey His will. . . . You are to be God's men: your love is to be as catholic as His."

When the angels sang of goodwill to men they were proclaiming that there was no enmity between God and man, except that which man himself set up. They were proclaiming, too, the only principle by which men could live in peace among themselves. Unless man attains the virtue of persistent goodwill all the instruments of science and invention which he has made for himself will become the instruments of his own destruction. Goodwill is not a pious sentiment. It is the only practicable working law in the present world.

XMAS PRESENT FOR BRITAIN

By the completion of the Air Training Scheme, the greater part of the cost of which will be borne by this country, we present a most appropriate Christmas gift to the Motherland. Our geographic position and our wide spaces free from the threat of enemy bombers make Canada an ideal locale for the development of so vast a project and give the Empire a great advantage over its enemies in this respect. As the Prime Minister announced in his radio address Sunday night, the scheme will give the Allies an overwhelming advantage in the air an advantage so great that it might well be the decisive factor. Under the arrangements signed Saturday midnight, Canada is to provide the schools, the air fields, and most of the pilots. It is particularly fitting that most of the pilots should be Canadians, for it is now generally recognized that this country produces the best airmen in the world. Many reasons for this have been advanced, including the theory that nearly all Canadian boys learn to shoot at moving targets with twenty-two rifles, and later become proficient at ice hockey. The intuition developed at this sport is the same as that required in an aerial battle, it is said.

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 Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "In the year 1896, 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 healing. This apocalyptic Principle points to the revelation of Immanuel, 'God with us,'—the sovereign ever-present, delivering the children of men from every ill. 'That flesh is heir to.'" (Page 107).

SOMETHING ABOUT 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 time-less 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.

ETERNAL FOE OF CRUELTY

Much as Christmas has meant to humanity, it has meant no less to those lowlier fellow creatures who share with men life's joys and sorrows. Whatever the burden of suffering that rests upon the animal world today, it is less by many fold than it was before that night when a little child was born in the stable of a Bethlehem inn. The spirit of Christmas is the eternal foe of cruelty. No man who yields to its sway can look with other than kindly eyes upon the least of those living things that have capacity for pain.

The Examiner's Hidden Titles Contest


The Westmount Examiner's Hidden Titles Contest is run with the kind co-operation of Mr. Godel, manager of the Westmount Theatre. Each week twelve passes are given to the six lucky winners who comply with the following requirements:
Simply find the two "ads." in the current issue of The Westmount Examiner in which the names of the two feature pictures being shown at the Westmount Theatre during the first half of the coming week are hidden.

Submit all answers to The Contest Editor, The Westmount Examiner, 2191 Hampton Avenue, using the special coupon provided in each issue for the purpose.
Contestants must be over 16 years of age.
Residents of Westmount, only, are eligible.
All answers must be in the office not later than Wednesday, and the names of the winners will be published in Thursday's issue.
A convenient coupon will be found elsewhere in the paper.
The winners are drawn from among those who submit the correct answers as, unfortunately, it would be impossible to give passes to every one submitting the right answers.
The winners of last week's contest are as follows and their passes will be received in Friday's mail:
Betty Griffith, 398 Roslyn Ave.; Betty Moehring, 366 Grosvenor Ave.; Mrs. Herbert Vineberg, 603 Belmont Ave.; Peggy Dainty, 438 Mount Stephen Ave., Apt. 29; Miss W. Kemp, 680 Roslyn Ave.; John Patrick, 4465 Sherbrooke W.

THE FORUM

Conducted by HOWARD S. ROSS, K.C., D.C.L.

In Which Subjects of General Interest Are Discussed



The opinions expressed in this Forum are not necessarily those of this newspaper and it does not accept responsibility for them.

There are about 1200 cities in the United States in which single newspapers or single ownerships now supply all the printed news. There are 2000 daily newspapers in the U.S.A. The Chicago Herald Examiner (a Hearst newspaper) recently ceased publication, leaving Colonel McCormick's Tribune the only daily of general circulation in the morning and it is expected the vigorous and enterprising Colonel will be reaching out for a 1,000,000-a-day circulation, the dream of all newspaper publishers. The larger the Tribune circulation the better for the new model towns of ComEAU Bay and Shelter Bay of Quebec's North shore, both largely the result of the enterprise of Colonel McCormick.

Pittsburgh is building low-rent homes for 3,000. The cost per room, including utilities will be \$4.86 per month. No person whose weekly salary is more than five times this amount can rent one of the apartments.

The Mormon Church has recalled all its missionaries from European countries.

Little Luxembourg has an area of 1,000 square miles and a population of 300,000. Lights blaze all night so that careless aviators will not be mistaken by drop bombs. The "army" has gone through "rearmament"—that is, the Company of Volunteers, which contained 200 soldiers, has been

increased by an additional 135. The powerful radio was closed because, only seven miles from Germany, it might have offered a pretext for invasion. The French promise they will respect Luxembourg's soil and the inhabitants believe them because of their good record as neighbors.

The Third Avenue Railway system, the last trolley tracks in the city of New York are to be removed and the service replaced by buses. The subways will continue to be the principal means of transportation and the city has seen to it that the 5 cent fare is maintained.

playing objectives open-minded appraisals and measurement as the instruments of creative imagination and of a craving for truth and excellence. This process changed astrology into astronomy, alchemy into chemistry, blood-letting into surgery. As it comes to prevail in other fields it will transform traditional morality into ethics, politics into statesmanship, and blind custom into directed and purposeful conduct."—Dr. A. E. Morgan, Chairman Tennessee Valley Authority.

Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt was named by the American Friends Service committee for Philadelphia annual humanitarian award.

Machinery, from being the master of humans can be our servant and set us free.

A book well worth reading is entitled "A People's History of England." The author is A. L. Morton.

Kagwa of Japan accepts science and evolution, all the ascertained findings of scholarship, welcomes the machine age, rejoices in modernity but would merge all findings and forces under an altruistic philosophy of brotherhood. His Kingdom of God movement begins in evangelism and ends in economic cooperatives. It includes education, labor and former organization, social welfare work, the building of churches, all practical means that will raise the standard of living for the underprivileged, unite the strong in the service of the weak, utilize the principle of mutual aid and replace the paganism of the competitive, social order with that of brotherhood and cooperation. He says Gandhi's error is in advocating a retreat back to primitive simplicity and Tolstoy's is over-intellectualism.

"I warn you that our civilization is in danger if we heed the deceptive cries of special privilege; if we permit our men of great wealth to send us on a wild-goose chase after so-called radicals while they continue to plunder the people.—Gov. Earle of Pennsylvania.

John Garrick, who has an important singing role with Allan Jones, Mary Martin and Walter Connolly in Paramount's "The Great Victor Herbert," has sung in every important section of the British Empire.

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.

Prize winners will be notified by mail where they may obtain their prizes.
Due to the large number of entries the judges had considerable difficulty in selecting the winners and worked until late last night before they had decided on what, in their opinion, were the best entries. A marked similarity in the last lines submitted to complete some of the limericks made judging increasingly difficult.

IRISH MOSS ON CARDS
Girls who live by the sea have many Christmas resources. Irish moss makes the best blance mag and the moss of commerce is not to be compared to that which has been selected and carefully dried.
You may purchase cards in the shops, but why not add the unique touch by making your own, using the more delicate seaweeds?
As soon as taken from the sea, place the weeds in a dish of water and arrange them on the card by slipping it under the water and literally floating the weed into position; then place the card between sets of clean blotting paper and dry under pressure. No paste is needed as the weeds contain a sticky substance.

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GARAGES TO LET
GARAGE, heated, Roslyn at Westmount Avenue, \$10.00 monthly. EL. 0408.

HOUSES WANTED
ALL YEAR house wanted, western section Montreal Island. Four to seven rooms, must have city conveniences, furnace, garden, garage, chicken-house or suitable shed. Will rent from May 1st with option of buying. WA. 2972.

FOR SALE
GIRL'S clothing, party frock, day dresses, size 10-12. Tube skates and boots, size 4, perfect condition. 620 Grosvenor Ave.

BOOKCASE, gateleg, several rugs, tea wagon, mats, Chesterfield suite, lamps, tables, Bedroom, dining room, studio, Suitable Christmas gifts, P.I. 1850, 1353 Greene, Westmount.

GIRLS COAT, hat, size 10, girls C.C.M. skates, boots size 1/2, rubber boots, 2, large dolls' sleigh. EL. 8226.

MISS WRAY, formerly of N.D.G., specializing evening gowns, moderate, afternoon, dresses, alterations, no patterns needed. WI. 4504.

HOME-MADE cookies, cakes, muffins, Xmas puddings etc. made to order. Delicious and wholesome. DE. 7810.

SIX FOOT toboggan with green corduroy cushion, almost new, apply EL. 4375.

Carsley's Remnant Shop
BUY here and save. Girl's toilet sets reduced to 95c—\$2.98 tablecloths 35c—49c ladies' slips 55c and 89c Celanese 49c yd. 6131 Sherbrooke, near Beaconsfield. A-105

ELECTRIC magic coil fire basket cost \$75.00 sell at bargain; studio couch, almost new; brown Persian lamb, fashionable cut for coat; mahogany and white lady's dressers; writing desk. P.I. 8212.

ELECTRIC TRAI reasonable, want men's skates and boots size 11. 2274 Harvard Avenue. A-91

SKATES and boots, ski suit, 14; ski boots 7; skis; top shoes, overboots. DE. 9718.

LOVELY singing bird and cage \$6; 4 bed Simmon's; hand wringer. DE. 6918, 821 Wolsey N. A-26

DOLL CARRIAGES, one large \$5.00; smaller one \$3.00; bundle infants bedding \$1.00; Yellow band Titian china. EL. 2223.

CHILD'S white fur coat, hat and leggings, 4-8 years, excellent condition, reasonable. DE. 9782.

FOR SALE
BARGAIN—Kelvinator refrigerator, new parts throughout, one year guarantee, 5 cubic feet capacity. Apply Room 226, 5726 Sherbrooke St. W.

NEVER-KIT coat, girls, size 10-12 cheap. One pair C.C.M. skates and boots, size 4, \$1.00. EL. 0240.

FOR SALE
BOY'S Skates, size 2 and 4 1/2, perfect condition, outgrown, \$2.00 per pair. DE. 1536. A-78

TWO brand new dinner dresses, size 18 with sequin bolero; lamps, rugs and old pieces, bargain. DE. 3815. A-77

GIRL'S brown ski suit, also taffeta party dress, size 12-14, WA. 4838. A-76

WHITE baby's sleigh with hood, in perfect order, \$5.00. EL. 3471. A-70

LADY'S gray tweed coat, racoon collar, size 14, \$7.50, 3538 Girouard. A-74

MAN'S fur-lined overcoat, Otter collar, size medium. DE. 7313. A-75

GIRLS' GUIDE costume, size 12; girls' skates and boots size 6; Chesterfield suite; divanette. DE. 0464. A-64

BEAUTIFUL CANARIES in full song. Buy one for Christmas, \$3.50. 1058 Oxford Avenue, N.D.C. A-63

BABY CARRIAGE, play pen. Call EL. 1392. A-62

WOMEN'S SKI SUIT, size 40, \$6.00; skates and boots, 6 1/2, \$3.00; fancy skates \$5, \$4.00; skis only \$3.00. DE. 6463. A-61

SKI SUITS 16-18, \$3 complete; girls' winter coat 12 \$3; raincoat, \$2. DE. 0835. A-59

ELECTRIC SWEEPER, Packard electric razor and accessories; den table. EL. 6042. A-58

BEAUTIFUL TUXEDO and fancy vest, "Berkdale," size 42, worn once. Very reasonable. CH. 9841. A-57

THREE PIECE chesterfield, brown velour, small, like new. WA. 5185.

LIPORES CHINA dinner set, service for 12, sacrifice; also brown ski suit 18. EL. 5184. A-55

BLACK CREPE DRESS, trimmed French group 40-42, cheap, quick. P.I. 1407. A-50

GAS STOVE, 4 burners, high oven, will sacrifice. AT. 4923. A-44

Crossword Puzzle

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- HORIZONTAL**
1—Hasty (coll.)
6—Couples
11—Balm
13—To thrive
14—Part of "to be"
15—Immature
17—Toward
18—Dove
20—Interprets
21—Manner
22—Soil
24—Accomplished
25—Mud
26—Girl's name
27—By
28—Contaminate
30—Divine vocation
32—River
33—To rectify
35—Blacks
37—Hilus
38—Part of shoe
- VERTICAL**
40—Tone
42—Dull person
43—Silly person
45—At once
46—Pronoun
47—Kind of cigar
49—Pronoun
50—Follows
52—More promptly
54—To distribute
55—Fits of tempera-
ment
- VERTICAL**
1—Balm
2—Modern Greek
3—By
4—Small draft
5—Period of time
6—Croonies
7—Brood
8—Pronoun
9—To go to bed
10—To breathe loudly
12—To want
13—Commanded
14—Invasion
19—Method
21—Plane's wing tip
22—Catches by ruse
23—Italian city
27—Beverage
29—Suitable
31—Machines for shaping
33—To get angry at
34—Shift at work
36—Packed
37—Disables
38—Greek god
41—Pitchers
43—To masticate
44—Weaver's machine
47—Actor's line
48—Also
51—Elder (abbr.)
53—Not any

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Gift Articles Featured At Metcalfe Pharmacy

Christmas shoppers, particularly those who have left their lists uncompleted until the last minute, will be especially interested in the complete line of gift articles that may be obtained at reasonable prices at the Metcalfe Pharmacy, 4451 St. Catherine street, at Metcalfe Ave.

The wide selection includes attractive gifts suitable for both men and women. Shaving sets, hair brushes, combs and countless other accessories will please the most fastidious male taste, while a complete line of manicure sets, soaps, powders lipstick, rouge, and etc., offers a fine choice of presents suitable for women.

The Metcalfe Pharmacy is currently featuring the most varied line of Christmas gift articles in its history and has made every effort to stock goods suitable for the closest friend or the casual acquaintance.

While featuring gift articles at this time the store carries, as usual, a full line of pharmaceutical news and specializations in the compounding of prescriptions.

The store maintains a free, rapid delivery service.

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Sang Christmas Hymns During Operation

"If you are prepared to die, I will operate!"

Smiling, despite the pain that racked her frame, Mrs. Thomas Crawford replied quietly:

"I am ready!"

That was the prelude to an operation destined to go down in history.

It took place on Christmas Day, 1809, a time when surgery went little further than amputating limbs and dressing wounds. Invasion of the great cavity of the body was unknown and in medical circles believed to result in death. Dr. McDowell proposed to remove a tumor from Mrs. Crawford, and fully realized that if she died, as all medical authority agreed she must, a coroner's jury would find him guilty of murder.

Dr. McDowell thought more of his patient than of his reputation. A life might be saved. He accepted the risk.

Gradually the woman's singing grew weaker and weaker, till at last it stopped. The doctor carried the now unconscious patient to her bed. Then he stepped outside and faced the lynching party.

"The patient lives!" he announced brusquely. "She will live!" The door slammed.

Couldn't Save Himself

There was silence for a moment, and then the air was riven by a great cheer. Shamefacedly the crowd dispersed, taking its rope with it.

But the greatest danger was yet to come. Would the patient develop blood poisoning? Anxiously, Dr. McDowell put her on a diet, and awaited results. Five days later he came into her room and found her actually making her own bed! Mrs. Crawford recovered completely and remained in excellent health until her death at 79.

And Dr. McDowell? An ironical fate decreed that he, who had discovered one of the most important operations known to medical science, should himself fall a victim to the very malady of which he had perfected the cure.

It was on Christmas morning in the year 1830 that the doctor himself was gripped by paralyzing spasms of pain in the stomach.

After steadily sinking for two weeks, the great discoverer of the cure for appendicitis died—of a ruptured appendix! He couldn't operate on himself—and no one else was available to do it.

Unskillfully dribbles of orange juice of cod liver oil will not become permanent stains on baby's bib or frock if the spotted juice is doused immediately in a good live lather of lukewarm soapsuds and then washed in the usual way.

There was a time when a man could count on getting a really practical gift for Christmas, and not an imitation practical one, like a gaudy Christmas tie. In 1900 "The Freeholder" advertised among other attractive Christmas gifts a fold-headed umbrella or walking stick, a present both practical and useful. In all the files that the reporter searched, he found only one reference to neckties, and even that had a highly respectable tone. "New knots and flowing end ties," it read, "at reasonable prices." No reference at all was made to colors, but it is safe to assume they had nothing in stock to match the present style.

Merchants didn't advertise so extensively and so specifically their Christmas stock as is the custom nowadays. They confined themselves to a large extent to telling their customers they had "an unusually large stock of articles suitable for Christmas gifts, and they left it to the customers to pick out their own. An Ottawa firm that advertised in local papers in 1902 printed the following announcement: "To be equal to this week's climax of the Christmas trading season, we are now devoting over an acre of space, solely as sample floorage, to the most comprehensive assemblage of combination bookcases, parlor cabinets, library bookcases, ladies' writing desks, parlor stands, gentlemen's chiffoniers and smoking stands, ever seen under one roof."

Judging from the advertisements, furniture was a big item in the Christmas gifts of 1900 and the few years following. Parlor cabinets, music cabinets, sideboards, etc., figure prominently in the advertisements. The smaller range of gifts were not so prominently mentioned, although handkerchiefs, the old reliable, priced from five cents to 50 cents, were listed by several merchants.

Forerunner to the modern slogan about "Give a radio this Christmas," The Freeholder, in 1902, suggested that a phonograph would be an ideal gift. They were priced from \$15 to \$40.

For those who wanted to give expensive gifts in the jewelry line, there were brochures in the "sunburst" pattern, made of gold and liberally bedusted with pearls, (65 cent them) which set the ardent swain or husband back just \$24. And if the recipient of the brooch cared to give something about as expensive, she could give the limit and buy him a gold filled watch (seven jewels) of a really substantial size for \$15. The advertisements do not mention any

THE WESTMOUNT ORCHESTRAL RHYTHM BAND



Two solos, two duets, and a two-piano piece, as well as two band selections will be presented by this group in its fourth radio broadcast over CBM next month. Larche Paul, violinist, will assist with two violin selections, accompanied by Adela Robertson and Ruth Telfer; the two latter will also perform The Romance from Mozart's D Minor Concerto, on two pianos.

The Band welcomes new members. It has played at several concerts and will be playing for the soldiers at an early date. It played for the sailors institute this fall. Following are some 1939 successes in piano work: Distinction, McGill; Pass with Credit, Royal Schools of Music; Back Runner-up, Quebec Music Festival; the silver cup trophy, Westmount Hobby Show; and several first, second and third prize rubrics at the Montreal Hobby Show.

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Yule Customs Of The Past

Monday morning, around the family Christmas tree, another array of Christmas gifts will emerge from their tissue paper wrappings to exclamations, real or feigned of "Oh, isn't that lovely," and another step in the trend of Christmas gifts will be completed. By Sunday night the average man will own three new ties, two of which he wouldn't wear any place where there was a light; three to five pairs of socks, half of which fall in the same class as the ties; and probably only one if he isn't; two jars of shaving soap that take about nine months apiece to use; a book he doesn't want to read, and a few other similar things.

It is a little harder to predict what the average woman will have, but it is almost a sure bet she will own at least two boxes of candy, two jars of bath salts, several pairs of silk stockings, and a wide assortment of other things.

Ladies are getting the breaks these days in the Christmas giving, now that the green necktie with the yellow spots, and similar creations peculiar to the Christmas trade are apparently here to stay. The bath salts, silk stockings, etc., that feature the ladies' array after the Christmas parcels are unwrapped, can never match the Christmas ties and socks that are all too often inflicted on the poor male.

The Christmas card trade is one which has grown rapidly in the past few years. Advertisements of 35 years ago bore little reference to this pleasant custom, although they are mentioned once or twice. The old-fashioned card was usually more of a work of art than most of the modern creations, being given generally with the idea that perhaps it might be framed if the recipient had a dull corner she wanted to brighten a little. They were ordinarily of a generous size, printed on a stiff, celluloid-like paper, with a large amount of golden scroll work around the outside.

Nowadays the mails are flooded

at higher prices. If a silver, gunmetal or nickel watch was good enough, however, you could buy one that would last as long as desired from \$2 up.

Another feature of Christmas back 30 years ago was the fact that giving of gifts at Christmas wasn't the wide-spread custom it is now. New Year's, apparently, tooksupping chiefs ing mmm ran the Yuletide season a hard race as the favorite time for giving gifts. Most of the merchants of the day carried the same advertisements in the papers right after Christmas as they did before, substituting only the words "New Year," or "Holiday" for "Christmas." In many cases the same old cut of Santa Claus that graced the Christmas edition would be found in exactly the same place in the issue of the paper prior to the New Year, with the greeting "Merry Christmas" changed to "Happy New Year."

A large part of the population who occasionally overlook a distant cousin in their Christmas shopping, and are highly embarrassed when said cousin sends a couple of handkerchiefs, would welcome the revival of the New Year giving idea. Imagine how handy it would be to send along a little something the next week with a "Happy New Year" card, and possibly the explanation that "We're sending New Year's, instead of Christmas gifts this year."

Best of all, turkeys, indispensable in most Christmas dinners, could be bought for just 10 cents a pound. "Cheaper than beefsteak," The Standard remarked. Following is a quotation from The Standard of 1899: "The little unpleasantness in South Africa (the Boer War) has been duplicated in Turkey-land, and hundreds of proud turk(ey)s who have foolishly put on a great deal of flesh, have been captured and executed to satisfy the demands of Charles LaRose's customers. They are fine, fat birds, and at 10 cents a pound are cheaper than beefsteak."

Sandy groaned, "Eh, mon, but it would have been luckier if I had begun at this end and only had one mouthful."

FUNERAL HELD OF W. W. CAVEN THIS MORNING

Claremont Avenue Resident Was Former Dominion Inspector of Excise

Requiem Mass for William Wallace Caven, O.B.E., of 381 Claremont Ave., was sung this morning at nine o'clock in the Church of the Ascension, Westmount. Mr. Caven, former Dominion Inspector of Excise, died in the hospital on Monday following an illness of several days. He was in his 80th year.

Mr. Caven, who retired in 1933 after a distinguished career of 53 years in the service of the Department of National Revenue, was born in Edinburgh. He came to Canada when nine years old, his father having been appointed to the teaching staff of Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P.E.I. He was educated at St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown, and in 1880 entered the service of the old Department of Inland Revenue at the age of 20. The following year he was transferred to Toronto and in 1883 was permanently appointed as an excise officer. Moved to Montreal and then to Victoria, in 1901 he was appointed deputy collector of inland revenue at Montreal.

Eight years later he was promoted to collector of inland revenue at Montreal. In 1914 he was promoted to Dominion Inspector of tobacco factories, with headquarters at Ottawa, and in addition, two years later was made Dominion Inspector of inland revenue and Dominion preventive officer. In 1919 he was promoted to be Dominion Inspector of excise, and held this position until his superannuation in 1933.

With 53 years of unbroken service, Mr. Caven's career was distinguished by executive capacity of a high order, and a wholehearted devotion to the discharge of his duties. His record was one of continued promotion, based on meritorious service, and when he retired he carried with him the affectionate regard and good wishes of not only the headquarters staff in Ottawa, but of an army of friends and colleagues from coast to coast.

His service was rewarded in the New Year's Honor List of 1935, when he was given the Order of the British Empire.

Besides his son, W. Wallace Caven, he is survived by his wife, formerly Mary Agnes Kavanagh; another son, John Kavanagh Caven; a daughter, Mrs. Moore McNaughton and three grandchildren.

Interment took place in Cote des Neiges Cemetery.

Christmas Eve In The New Bethlehem



It is Christmas Eve, and we are standing in the square of Bethlehem. We have come the five miles from Jerusalem by bus for a fare of a few coppers, travelling over a modern motor road built on the track along which Mary and Joseph toiled nearly 2,000 years ago.

Bethlehem is today a town of modern houses and shops. Street vendors, touts, postcard sellers bawl their wares right up to the door of the oldest and most sacred church in the world—the Church of the Nativity.

On Christmas Eve the square is always packed with people. High above it hangs the Star of Bethlehem. It is an electric star now, though it still shows the way to the Manger.

Leaving the square, where the throng grows steadily greater, we go through the Mount of Olives.

Thick with Jewels

Turn your head and look along the road towards Jerusalem. It is thick with people now. The procession of the Patriarch is coming.

Every Christmas Eve the Patriarch of the Greek Church leaves Jerusalem with a large retinue to make a pilgrimage to the birthplace of Our Lord. He used to walk. Now he travels in a hand-some car.

Crosses, standards, candles, vestments of every hue are in the procession. The robes of the Patriarch are thick with jewels. Gold and silver flash in the fading sunshine, banners wave.

At the entrance to Bethlehem the Patriarch's car stops. There, at the shrine of Rachel's grave, he is received by a small army of priests and elders.

In the Grotto

The procession to the Church of the Nativity moves on once more—but very, very slowly. It is a crush all the way. To enter the

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FRONTIERSMEN COMMANDANT

LT.-COL. LOUIS SCOTT

It is with great respect that every Frontiersman, regardless of rank, who is attached to the Legion of Frontiersmen (Canadian Command) (Chartered in Canada by the Dominion Government), looks to Divisional Commandant Lt.-Col. Louis Scott, D.C.M., L.M.S.M., L.F., as the Supreme Command in Canada.

Soldier and gentleman, he accepted the post of directing the Legion throughout the Dominion. Born in England, he came to this country in 1909, and was one of the first in August, 1914, to join his old friend, Lt.-Col. A. Hamilton Gault, D.S.O., in that well-known unit, The Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. In passing, it is worthy of note that when sailing for France in September of that same year this unit had more than 600 Legion of Frontiersmen on the Battalion's strength of 1,100 men.

Louis Scott was wounded at Ypres in 1916, and again at Vimy in 1917, after which time he served in the capacities of Commandant and Chief Instructor at various camps in England, until his return to Canada when he was demobilized in 1919.

The esteem in which Lt.-Col. Louis Scott is held was vividly illustrated in connection with the recent visit to Canada of His Majesty King George VI. While visiting Edmonton, King George expressed, and fulfilled, his desire to meet again his one-time instructor in the R.A.F. Lt.-Col. Louis Scott.

The Legion of Frontiersmen (Canadian Command) is well represented in this area in "A" (P.Q.) Squadron, which drills every Thursday evening at Queen's School, Olivier Ave., Westmount.

BETTY SPEIRS SOLOISTS BUSY

Holiday time for the soloists of the Betty Speirs School is usually a very busy time and this year has proved no exception to the rule. Within the past few days they have appeared at the Ritz Carlton Hotel where they featured in the Annual show of the Association of Trained Nurses; they also found time to entertain fifteen hundred children in the Rosemount Theatre last Saturday morning for the Parks and Playgrounds people and they will again be to the fore at the Rotary Club Xmas Treat at Victoria Hall. It is a matter of great satisfaction to Miss Speirs and Mr. Miller that the talents of their pupils can be used at this season to give pleasure to others.

The young artists who gave so freely of their time and talent were: Joyce Lozinski, Gwen Smith, Jean Barnes, Audrey Jones, Eleanor Thompson, Joan Layton, Hazel & Jean Fitzgerald, Nancy Telfer, Isobel MacLellan, Dorothy Fitzgerald, Miss Speirs acted as Mistress of Ceremonies on all occasions.

In Spain, as in most of the Spanish-American countries, the legend of Santa Claus gives place to the tradition of the Magi. At some time between the night of January 5 and dawn of January 6 the Three Wise Men of the East imitate Santa by risking the soot of chimneys in order to deliver toys to good children.

It's coming Christmas time again, and though I'm just a dog, I wish I knew some clever way I could employ to jog the minds of those about me and impress on them the fact that even dogs appreciate a kindly Christmas act.

Every year as Christmas draws near, we spend many anxious days trying to decide what our folks are wanting most, and how to make our little offerings speak of the love and kindness we feel in our hearts but are unable to express. Here is a way in which you can give a very sweet and personal touch to each of your little presents.

Choose some small, gilt-edged correspondence cards, and write on each a tiny verse to tuck in with the present when it is packed in its gay, holly-covered box and tied with bright red ribbon.

church everyone must bow. The single entrance is so very low that if you don't stoop you will knock your head against the stone above. Priests move about bearing lighted tapers. "Give something for the church," they say in low tones. Taking the offered taper, let us go down, after the service, to the Grotto. This is the Holy of Holies.

It is small and cramped. Fifty-three lamps burn there; it reeks of incense.

A faded tapestry hangs from the wall. Behind it is the traditional Manger where the Saviour of Mankind was born. From the lamps a subdued light is directed on the floor, where a silver star is embedded.

Pilgrims press forward all day and all night at the Christmas season.

Women bring their babies and lay them tenderly for a moment in the rock manger in the wall.

Exactly at midnight the Patriarch goes down to the Grotto to kiss the star. The Nativity song is sung in Greek, and then in English.

The Patriarch leaves the Grotto and departs in procession. The bells ring out. And in the streets the traders bawl their wares again.

For Your Christmas MENU

Fancy Plum Puddings — Assorted Fruit Cakes — Cake Decorations

FOR YOUR XMAS COCKTAIL PARTY

PEEK FRENCH ASSORTED Caviar Puffs 4 oz. pkg. 30c
HUNTLEY & PALMER'S Cocktail Assorted 9 oz. box 69c
RUSSIAN Beluga Caviar 4 oz. 1.90
ROMANOFF Caviar 3 oz. tin 95c
BAKOU 2 1/2 oz. tin 60c
RED RUSSIAN Caviar 2 oz. jar 20c
HOLLAND COCKTAIL Onions 2 1/2 oz. btl. 40c
CALIFORNIA Artichokes in Olive Oil 1 jar 40c
WAX & VITALE (Italy) PLAIN Fillets of Anchovies 3 oz. jar 35c
Anchovies 2 1/2 oz. jar 35c (stuffed with pliment)
Anchovies 2 1/2 oz. jar 35c (stuffed with capers)

ANTIPASTO Hors D'Oeuvres 2 3/4 oz. jar 40c
BRAND'S Olives 2 oz. tin 25c (stuffed with anchovies)
LIBBY'S STUFFED Olives 4 oz. jar 15c
ROYAL SCARLET FANCY Cherries with stems 5 oz. jar 30c
BRAND'S ART. ASSORTED Pastes 1 oz. jar 10c
Variety of Anchovy: chicken, ham and tongue; salmon; shrimp, etc.
CLARK'S Cocktail Sausages tin 20c
ROYAL COLORED PICKS ASSORTED, FANCY pkg. 15c
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Mixed Nuts lb. 25c

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SHIRIFF'S JELLIED Cranberries 12 oz. jar 25c
BAR-LE-DUG (France) BLACK CURRANT or GOOSEBERRY Jam 3 oz. jar 30c

SHARWOOD Ginger Chips 8 oz. tin 45c
Angelica lb. 75c
SAXONIA ASSORTED Glace Fruits in fancy baskets 7 oz. 35c 14 oz. 60c

MALAGA Raisins 1 lb. box 59c
MILME GIBSON AUSTRALIAN Raisins 1 lb. box 45c
LIBBY'S MOIST Mince Meat 1 lb. 18c

Hot House Grapes ZERO-PACK FRESH FROZEN Strawberries pt. 25c
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*** HOLIDAY *
GREETINGS**

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THRIFT-STOP SHOP

Merry Christmas
At this, the Christmas Season, we wish to extend to our many good friends, our sincere desire for continued good health, happiness and prosperity.

The contacts we have had in the past have been most satisfying and pleasant to us, as we hope they have been to you.

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Flowers for Christmas Guests

Greens and Fresh Blossoms Make Charming New Effects To Supplement Old Favorites



A Madonna vase, filled with white gladioli, carnations, red roses and silvered sansevieria blades, makes a beautiful Christmas decoration for the mantel. Evergreen garlands and silvered pine cones provide a dramatic background in the holiday mood.

Whether your Christmas will include a large family circle or just "stockings for two," fresh flowers and gay arrangements of Christmas greens are basic—and easily achieved—essentials of the festive holiday season.

The old favorites—wreaths in the windows, a sprig of mistletoe over the doorway, and a tree itself—are still first on the list of Christmas decorations. But, in addition, there are new and unusual and equally charming effects to be obtained.

Even if you don't plan to hang up stockings, the fireplace should be a dramatic spot in the living room. For an arrangement with religious significance, consider one

of the low Madonna vases, filled with deep red roses or gladioli and white carnations or lilies and surrounded by pine boughs or other greens. A Santa Claus, posed beside a miniature sled filled with marigolds, sweet peas, begonias and lilies-of-the-valley, is another mantle shelf favorite.

CONCENTRATED AND CHEERY

Decorators and florists seem to agree that it's better to concentrate on three or four smart, cheery groups of greens and flowers than to cover the house from one end to the other with bunches and garlands and clusters of this and that.



An ideal Christmas gift for any woman on your shopping list would be a plant covered with buds and blossoms which she can pick and wear. And, of course, it would be a lovely adjunct to such lovely home decorations as the evergreen-garlanded mirror.

The table in the foyer is the logical place for one display. Tall red candles in a shallow informally arranged bank of pine boughs is simple yet effective. The mantle shelf offers all kinds of possibilities. A table between two windows or a temporary coffee table, placed between the fireside chairs, may hold a vase of flowers with the base surrounded by greens. Or a bowl of holly, flanked by tall candles in evergreen-covered holders.

The handsomest display of all will be in the center of the dining room table, of course. The new lily-shaped candles, floating in a crystal bowl, might be a smart nucleus for a long, graceful centerpiece of greens with the cones attached. Or consider five or six chubby little angels—each holding a small red candle—on a round

mirror with greens or fresh flowers around the mirror.

Deep scarlet poinsettias are favorites among Christmas plants. Cyclamen, Jerusalem cherries and heather plants are fine to have and fine to send as gifts, too.

Speaking of gifts, it's a Christmas 1939 idea to send a girl a gardenia plant from which she can pick her own corsage throughout the holiday season. Or a little flower hat to wear with her dinner clothes, a corsage with silver bells among the blossoms or perhaps a necklace and matching bracelet of fresh buds. Gifts of this type, as well as boxes of greens and traditional mixtures of cut flowers, can be wired anywhere in the country and will be delivered within a few hours.

then, of course, Santa Claus knows everything.

He even knew, a few moments later when Virginia excused herself from the party and slipped back to the other room, now in a state of partial disarray, and (for even the orchestra members were enjoying the repast in the other room) forlorn in its emptiness. Virginia was feeling particularly forlorn and particularly proud.

Santa Claus must know everything, for he knew just how long to wait before he, too, wandered from the merry group and joined Virginia. And he (or was it Cupid?) knew just what to say to make this really the most wonderful Christmas Eve in all Virginia's life. Just what is was, I am not sure, but he must have told Virginia, for presently she said: "I know, I know," and she had cheered up quite a bit before he put his arm around her. Somehow she wasn't so forlorn—nor quite so proud.

After a while they walked over to the tree together, and they listened to the carolers; and then, somehow, they stopped right under the mistletoe. What George was whispering in her ear, we shall never know, but Virginia was laughing as she answered him.



CUPID OR SANTA?

It was Christmas Eve—quite the most glorious Christmas Eve Virginia Ray had ever known. Everything was ready for the party—her party—from the "Merry Christmas" place-cards to the splendid Christmas tree that would be ablaze all evening with little lights and colors.

Virginia pinned the last red stocking to the mantel, and turned to her mother. "I think it was real mean of George not to offer to play Santa Claus for me," she said. "After his having such a nice costume, too."

"But, dear," her mother answered, "how could he when you quarreled? I didn't know you had invited him."

"I didn't, but of course I would have, if he had been just the least bit nice," Virginia pouted, and hurried off to get ready to receive her guests. Her mother, busy with last-minute details, smiled in what might have been reminiscences of her own youth. A few minutes later she went to the phone, held a brief conversation, and as she hung up the receiver, she called up the stairs: "Hurry, dear, I do believe some of your guests are coming."

"I'll be right down," Virginia's voice preceded its owner by only a second. "Do I look all right, mother?"

"All right," said Mrs. Ray's voice, and her eyes said, "Lovely," and her heart said, "My own darling!"

Virginia, responding to an urgent "burring" admitted her earliest guests. Half an hour later, when the rooms were filled with merry, chattering young people, the orchestra struck up the first dance. Escorts led their laughing partners to the centre of the floor,

but Virginia did not dance the first number—she had not invited George. Neither had she invited, as her partner, anyone else.

That dance was over, and another and another. The Christmas tree was admired; the mistletoe was found, and put to its proper use; occasional silences made clear the distant sound of carolers; the clock struck ten—eleven—twelve.

At that moment the guests were surprised (and so was Virginia) by the sound of sleighbells, a hearty "Merry Christmas," and the appearance from somewhere near the tree of as jolly a Santa as one could imagine. Near beside him stood Mrs. Ray.

"Why, Mr. Santa Claus, I do believe," and then she presented him to the company. "My old childhood friend, Mr. Santa Claus, has come to pay us a visit, and as he is all loaded down with his various gifts, which must be delivered by tomorrow morning, I suggested that he give any of us who are to receive his attentions our presents now."

"I didn't know, Virginia," said Pudgy Clark, the fat and awkward youth who had stepped on Virginia's toes during the last dance. "I didn't know you believed in Santa Claus."

"I don't!" Virginia snapped. "All right," he laughed, "you needn't bite my head off."

The favors distributed, Mrs. Ray called Virginia. "Here, dear, you and Santa lead the grand march. If you will all follow, I think we might find some refreshments in another room."

"Right!" said Santa, in a decidedly unfrigid voice. Somehow, Santa knew just where to go. But

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"I hate Christmas!" Marcia thought passionately. She pressed her face close to the toy window...

Suddenly she was face to face with it—that overwhelming longing for someone to make Christmas worthwhile...

After a while she got up and washed her face, determined to be sensible. She couldn't eat yet—she was too shaken—so she sat down with the home paper...

And then, as though in answer, she saw the item in the paper. "Poor children of this and neighboring communities will be treated to a real old-fashioned Christmas dinner and tree at the McKinley barracks..."

Marcia stepped timidly into the social welfare bureau. "I wonder if you could use me to help take the children out to the barracks on Christmas?" she asked...

He stood tall and straight in his officers' uniform, a handsome man, not many years her senior. As soon as the children began eating, he came over and introduced himself.

"Glorious!" "So are you." "What?" "Glorious, of course. Don't mind my bothering you? I thought you seemed, well—understanding. When I was looking at you—remember?" Marcia nodded.

They were excited, terribly excited, but happy, too. So was Marcia. Joy and excitement shone from her eyes, making her usually pleasant but rather plain countenance radiant.

He looked about. "I say, shall we ditch the program? I'd like to show you around the barracks, if you'd like it."

They didn't notice the cold, the falling snow, nor, later, the children's carols.

"Goodness!" Marcia exclaimed at last. "They're leaving. I must hold it fast. 'I'll want to see you look after my carload of youngsters.'"

"Wait!" He caught her hand. CHRISTMAS SUPERSTITIONS There are many old superstitions connected with Christmas candles and holly.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1939

Social and Personals

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Norcross will spend Christmas at The Seignior Club.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barlow have returned from Pinehurst, N.C., where they were the guests of Mrs. C. M. Ruel.

Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Bazin have returned to the city after a month's stay on the Pacific Coast.

Dr. and Mrs. William Mueller and their small daughter, Mary Louise are arriving from Shawinigan today to be the guests of Mr. Mueller's sister, Mrs. R. H. Lamb, and Mr. Lamb, 4932 Western avenue, until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Alstair Grant are leaving this week-end to be the guests of Mr. Grant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Grant, over Christmas.

Miss Marguerite Decelles spent several days in New York City.

Miss L. Wheeler is a patient in the Montreal General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rothman will spend the holiday season at their home at Trout Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Spafford will occupy their house at Knowlton during the holiday season.

Miss J. Macintosh will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Hawkesbury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Leslie Hodges spent last week-end in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Crochetiere are leaving on Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays in Sherbrooke, Que.

Miss Joyce Schnauer has returned to Westmount, after visiting for several weeks in Boston and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bulman and their family are leaving to spend Christmas in New York with Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McKinney.

Mr. R. E. Thorne returned on Friday from New York accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Crosbie Baber, who will be the guest of her parents until after the holidays. Mr. Baber is arriving from New York for Christmas.

Mrs. Guy M. Johnson entertained at a not-out tea dance on Saturday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Miss Joan Johnson.

Mrs. Gerald Hanson entertained at a small house dance on Saturday in honor of her debutante daughter, Miss Patsy Hanson.

Mrs. Martyn Pasmore and Miss O'Leve Copp are spending some time at The Buckingham Hotel, St. Augustine, Florida.

Mrs. A. Papperman entertained recently in Eaton's Golden Room in honor of her daughter, Sonia, on the occasion of her 16th birthday.

Miss Ruth Ross, Cote St. Antoine Rd., leaves the city Friday to spend Christmas with her parents at Cobden, Ontario.

Miss E. McKinnon is leaving on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McKinnon, in Bethany, Ontario.

Mrs. G. G. Wakeman is entertaining at a New Year's bridge and tea on Friday afternoon, December 29, in Eaton's Silver Room.

Mr. Ross S. Leavitt, who is attending Harvard University, is arriving in town to-day to spend the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross H. Leavitt.

Mrs. W. G. Ross, accompanied by her two children, is going to Halifax to spend the holidays with her husband, Lieutenant W. G. Ross.

Mrs. Harri's Miller and her small daughter, Jean, who were the guests of Mrs. Miller's brother, the Reverend C. R. Bell and Mrs. Bell, have returned to Sherbrooke.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Grover and their family are leaving this week-end for the Laurentians, where they will occupy their home for the holiday season.

Mrs. Peter Stanger and Miss Joan Stanger are leaving for Ottawa on Thursday, December 28, to attend the not-out dance being given by Mrs. Perley-Robertson. They will be the guests of Lady Perley.

Mr. R. Barry Elliott, of St. Catherine's, Ont., accompanied by Mr. Phillip Farmer, of Vancouver, B.C., is arriving in town on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lewis Elliott.

Mrs. G. C. Papineau Couture entertained at a house dance on Saturday night in honor of her debutante daughter, Miss Claudine Couture. The hostess, gowned in black lace and chiffon with a cluster of pink roses at the corsage, was assisted in receiving by her daughter, who was in a frock of white faille made with a close fitting bodice and a very full skirt with which she wore a corsage of pink roses and silver slippers.

Ladies' Auxiliary Closes For Holidays

The Lions Club Ladies Auxiliary closed its work for the year by donating 145 hand knit and hand made garments to be distributed to the Province of Quebec Society for Crippled Children, The Child Welfare Association, The Children's Memorial Hospital. Nine dressed dolls were sent to the School for Crippled Children.

Mrs. David Amory, who presided at the meeting held on Monday in the Mount Royal Hotel thanked the members of the splendid turnout of work and announced that the first meeting of the New Year would be held on January 15th.

Members were also reminded to attend the Lions Club Christmas Party for members their families and friends to be held in the Mount Royal Hotel to-morrow evening at 8.30 p.m.

Christening Ceremony
 The christening of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Keymer took place at four o'clock on Saturday afternoon in St. Matthias Church, Westmount, the Reverend E. C. Royle officiating. The baby was given the names of Sandra Homfray Hamilton, and the godparents were Mrs. Frank Chauvin, Mrs. J. N. Cole and Mr. John W. H. Bishop. Mr. and Mrs. Keymer entertained at tea following the ceremony.

BEAUTY GIFTS FOR HER THIS XMAS ARE EXCITING



Here's a handsome array of the kind of beauty gifts that women like to find under the Christmas tree. Perfume, de luxe bath preparations, a Victorian dresser set and a miniature razor for the traveler are included.

No beauty gifts ever have been more exciting or downright handsome than those for Christmas 1939. It's a year when, no matter what else you have selected for her, you'll decide to send along a beauty item, too.

Her favorite brand of perfume come in breathtaking lovely bottles and smart packages. A graceful, delicate white porcelain hand holds a glass bottle a scent she's sure to love. Three little glass stockings, filled with different perfumes, hang from a miniature fireplace. A tiny Swiss chalet, which is also a nice old-time music box, contains four amusing bottles of perfume. As the music plays, the bottles whirl around, each pausing for a second or two in the doorway of the chalet.

There are bottles with charming little brown glass figure as well as perfume inside the bottles. There are Christmas bells containing perfume.

Toilet water and cologne are done up in de luxe containers. A heady scent in a clear glass cylinder has a large top covered with velvet that simulates leopard skin.

A frosted glass decanter holds more than a pint of scented cologne. Four small bottles of de luxe toilet water are packed together in a blue velvet box which may be used as a jewel case when the bottles are empty.

COMPACT TO SUIT EVERY TASTE
 There's a wide variety of compacts from which to pick and choose. They seem to get thinner and thinner as well as prettier and prettier. The clasp of one perfect beauty is a slender lipstick. Another has a special compartment for a lipstick just behind the well for powder. There are handpainted and other interestingly decorated types as well as perfectly simple models with space for monogramming.

New bath sets range from little stocking items (such as a round cake of soap atop a cylinder of bath powder) to a supersuper set, filled with soap, dusting powder, cologne, bath salts and bath oil—all in matching scent of course.

A decorative replica of an old-fashioned hob-nail glass bottle comes tucked away in a huge, three-pound tub of bath salts. Take out the bottle, fill it with the scoop-shaped bottle stopper, put the tub away in a cabinet and the bottle on the shelf until it needs refilling.

Among the nicest of the effervescent bath preparations is a mint scented one that comes in a large, dark green bottle which resembles a liqueur bottle. Both bath salts and dusting powder come in large glisteningly white "snowball" packages.

Victorian dresser sets are brand new. The company which unearths old hand-made molds of brushes combs and mirrors is turning the sets out in a modern plastics.

Around one of the most charming mirrors is a gentle, admonitory and truly Victorian scroll—"I Give Back Smile for Smile and Frown for Frown." The sets are done in soft, muted shades of blue, yellow, ivory and pink.

SURPRISES TO FILL CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS
 The perfect stocking or under-tree gift for almost any woman you know is a one-pound jar of her favorite cleansing cream or a really large jar of the night cream she likes best. A lipstick with nail polish in a matching shade, packed in a stripped silk drawstring bag, is a lovely little "small" remembrance.

Whether she does her own nails regularly or only now and then, she'd like a new manicure case. And there are stunning ones in all sizes to suit any pocketbook.

Finally, it will help the shopper to remember that no woman ever has too many lipsticks or good powder puffs or a surplus of hand lotion. Also that children always are amused by soap in animal, bird and fish shapes, miniature manicure kits and attractive brush, comb and mirror sets.

There's a fine array of beauty gifts to please the men of the family. Newly designed military brushes in shapes that are easier to hold in the hand come in stunning polished woods, both dark and light.

Shaving bowls, jugs of after-shave lotion and hair dressing lotions are done up in streamlined, masculine containers. Filter travel cases contain no superfluous items and the best ones have empty spaces for odds and ends he'll want to take along on any trip. Unfitting cases with slide fastener closings and waterproof linings are worth consideration, too.

Unscented or lightly scented cologne, bath powder in a box that simulates cork and a small manicure kit, designed for men only, are other beauty gifts to make him happy.

TEA TIME TOPICS

Beautiful hair is not blonde hair or red hair or black hair, it's any hair that is healthy, brushed until it gleams and is neatly done. Any woman can have lovely hair if she is willing to work for it. With Christmas and New Year's festivities ahead, see what you can do to make your hair worthy of the spotlight.

You may need a new permanent for the holidays. Don't try to economize in a cheap wave which will probably do your hair more harm than good. Go to a good salon and ask for an operator whom you know has given good waves in the past. Here are some of the don'ts to remember if you want beautiful, manageable hair that your friends will notice and envy.

Don't be afraid to brush for fear of ruining your new wave. Brushing softens and deepens the waves and curls if they are properly set. The hair stylist in many beauty salons will show you how to brush your hair and reset your coiffure without spoiling its lines. Avoid a stiff set look—a loose natural formless wave is better than that if your hair is bright and alive.

Don't think that slicking your hair down with just any old hair brush is doing your duty by your hair. Hair requires real brushing to massage and exercise the scalp, to polish and cleanse the strands. Choose a hair brush with long, flexible bristles that touch the scalp with each stroke of the brush. Some women like to use two brushes and work vigorously over the entire head as expert beauty operators do.

Bend forward from the waist, brushing your hair up from the nape of the neck and all over your head until it stands on end, then comb or brush into place and arrange your waves and curls.

Don't be afraid to wash your hair as often as it needs it. Some hair specialists say that the hair should not be washed oftener than once a month, but the average woman living in cities needs a shampoo every week or ten days to keep her hair thoroughly clean. The length of time you allow between shampoos depends on how much care you can give your hair daily. Brushing is cleansing and so are scalp tonics and fresheners when properly used. If you can devote ten minutes or more daily to this rite and use a tonic cleanser twice weekly, then you may be able to keep your hair immaculate with fortnightly shampoos.

Don't waste your time or money on hair-dos that are too complicated for you to take care of at home. Most of the nicest new coiffures can be kept neat and attractive at home after being set in the salon. This is accomplished partly by the way the hair is shaped to start with and by properly placed partings so that you brush and comb out one section of hair at a time, then merge the waves or curls with a few twists of the fingers.

Finally, don't neglect your health if you want lovely hair. The condition of your general body tone and condition. You know how quickly annoying flakes of dandruff appear or how readily your hair becomes dull and falls out after a serious illness.

Some authorities tell us, too, that the diet plays a direct and important part in the health of the hair.

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Karnak Social Club

A business and sewing meeting of the Karnak Ladies Social Club will be held on Tuesday, January 2nd, in the Masonic Temple, Sherbrooke Street West.

Mothers' Club Plan Annual Xmas Parties

Plans are being formulated by the Catholic Mothers' Club for their annual Christmas parties. One entertainment will be presented on Thursday evening, January 4, when the pupils of the high schools will be entertained at an evening party.

On Friday afternoon, January 5th, the club will entertain the boys and girls of the junior schools. The program will include moving pictures. Each child will receive Christmas favors.

Christmas Hampers To Be Distributed By Westmount Club

The Social Service Welfare Committee of Westmount Women's Club will meet in Victoria Hall Friday morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of packing Christmas Hampers.

Fifty baskets will be filled, and each basket, besides a good supply of necessities will contain a 12 pounds turkey.

All ladies interested in assisting are requested to be at the hall not later than 10 o'clock. Ladies are reminded to bring their aprons and gloves. Mrs. John Shearer is the convener.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Frances Willard W.C.T.U. will be held in Dominion Douglas Church Hall on Tuesday, afternoon, December 27 at three o'clock. Rev. A. Lloyd Smith, M.A., D.D., will be the guest speaker. Mrs. George Richardson will be in charge of the meeting.

CHRISTMAS HYMN

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
 The little Lord Jesus laid down
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The WOMAN'S Page



Timely Suggestions For A Big Christmas Dinner

Don't worry about unusual dishes for that big dinner! Are you wondering what kind of cocktail to serve; what soup, vegetable dish, pudding or other dessert; what punch to prepare; or what game to play? Here are your answers—and "Merry Christmas" to all my readers:

Citrus Cocktail
(Serves 4-6)
1/2 cup lemon juice
1/2 cup orange juice
1/2 cup sugar
Few grains salt
1 cup ginger ale (or carbonated water)
Combine and pour over cracked ice in cocktail glasses. Garnish with mint sprigs or maraschino cherries.

Cream of Lima Soup
1 1/2 cups cooked, dried Limas
1 tablespoon fine minced parsley
1 cup top milk or thin cream
2 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/2 small onion, sliced
Rub Limas through a coarse sieve. Melt butter, add onion and cook five minutes; remove onion, add flour to remaining butter; stir until smooth, add salt and pepper, cream and pureed Limas. Bring to a boiling point. A little whipped cream placed in bottom of each cup before pouring in soup is always an improvement to cream soup. Garnish with finely minced parsley.

Yuletide Punch
6 cups decaffeinated coffee
1/2 cup whipping cream, whipped
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
Top each cup of coffee with a spoonful of whipped cream into which the spices have been folded. Sugar may be served with the coffee.
Holiday guests, and the family, too, may indulge in those longed-for second cups if you make your festive brew of decaffeinated coffee.

Steamed Holiday Pudding
1 cup carrots
1 cup dark brown sugar, packed
1/4 cup ground suet, do not pack
1 cup canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice.
8 eggs
1/2 cup raisins
1 cup chopped citron
8 1/2 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon cloves
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon allspices
1 1/2 teaspoons salt

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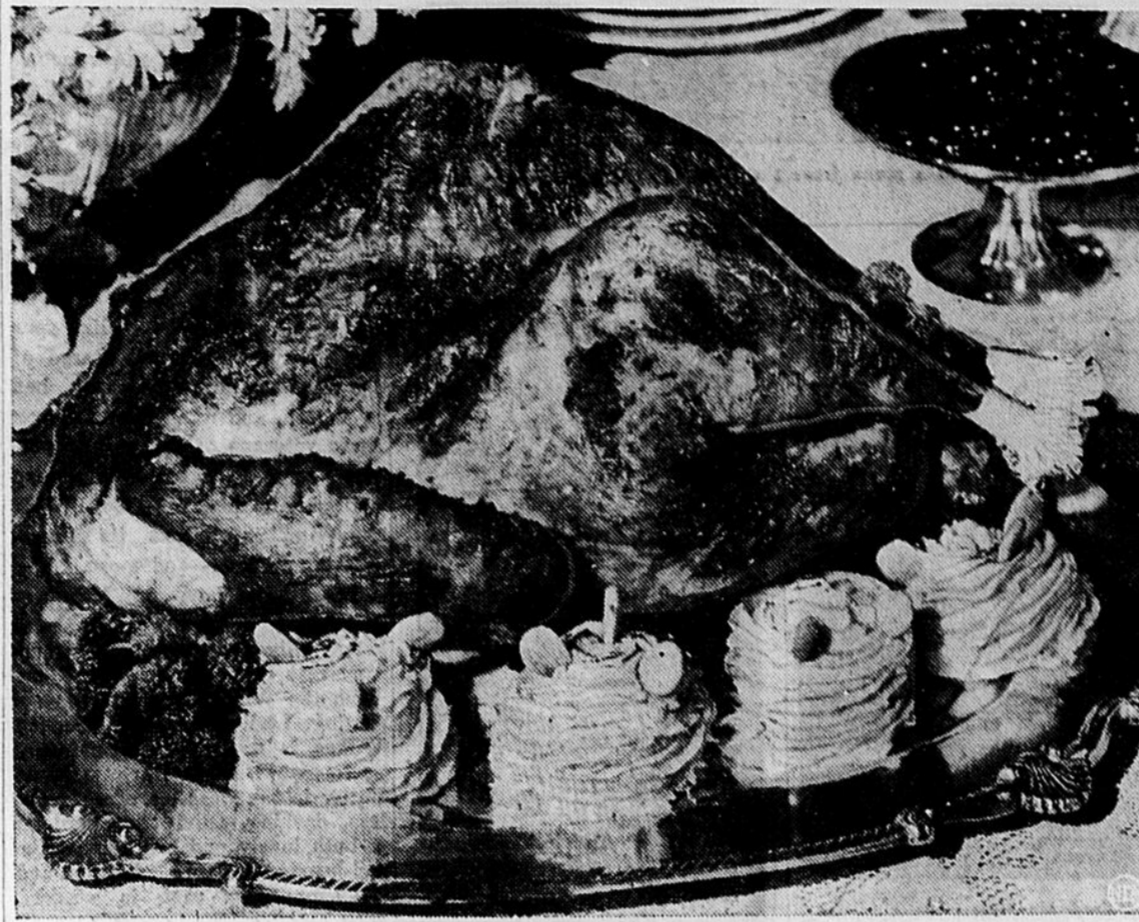
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THE WAY TO A MAN'S HEART

Good Things Come In Big Quantities At Annual Christmas Dinner



The great Canadian bird makes his lordly entrance for Christmas dinner on a silver platter, wreathed with sweet potato and almond croquettes. Those rosettes are achieved by squeezing fluffy mashed sweet potatoes through a pastry tube into spirals. Top with almonds and brown in oven. The turkey stuffing combines boiled chestnuts, butter, cream and cracker crumbs into perfection.

CHRISTMAS MENU

BREAKFAST: Steamed prunes, hot cereal, boiled eggs, raisin toast, coffee, milk.

LUNCHEON: Tomato juice, macaroni and cheese, baked apples, tea, milk.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Fresh fruit cocktail, roast turkey, chestnut stuffing, giblet gravy, curried pineapple, mashed potatoes, green beans, baked squash, Parker House rolls, chicory and grapefruit salad, cranberry tarts, nuts and raisins, coffee, cider, milk.
The All-Canadian tummy must be expansive on Christmas Day. That's the custom of our country. The table should groan with marvelous food and the knife and fork must work their way through this traditional bounty.

For example, here's one Christmas menu planned by the chef of a noted restaurant.

Fresh pineapple and strawberry cocktail, stuffed celery hearts, queen olives, spiced peaches, essence of tomato soup, Melba toast lobster Mornay, roast turkey with chestnut stuffing, glazed cranberries, sweet potato and almond rosettes, baked Hubbard squash, creamed fresh mushrooms and asparagus, lemon sherbet, avocado and endive salad with cheese sticks, orange Parker House rolls, gingerbread muffins, and pecans. bowl of fruit, black coffee, salted nuts and mints.

Chestnut Stuffing
Three cups boiled chestnuts, 1/2 cup butter, 1/4 cup cream, 1 quart cracker crumbs, salt and pepper.
Peel boiled chestnuts and put them through ricer. Add half the butter, then the cream. Melt the remaining butter and mix with the cracker crumbs. Mix all together. Season well with salt and pepper.

Creamed Fresh Mushrooms and Fresh Frozen Asparagus
One-half cup butter, 1/2 cup flour, 2 1/4 cups cream, 3/4 cup milk, 1 quart broiled mushroom caps, salt and pepper, fresh frozen asparagus tips.

Fluted Cranberry Tarts
(Makes 10)
Two and two-thirds cups (2 cans) sweetened condensed milk, 1/2 cup lemon juice, 2 cups cranberry pulp drained, 4 egg yolks, 10 baked tart shells.
Blend together sweetened condensed milk, lemon juice, cranberry pulp and egg yolks. Pour into baked tart shells. Garnish with whipped cream.
This pie may also be served with a meringue, made of 4 egg whites beaten stiff and sweetened with 2 tablespoons of granulated sugar, browned in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 10 minutes.

Prune Medallion Pudding
1 package lemon or raspberry flavored gelatin; 1 pint hot water and prune juice; 1-4 cup sugar; dash of salt; dash of cinnamon; 1-3 cup finely cut raisins; 1 cup finely cut cooked prunes; 1-4 cup broken nut meats.
Dissolve gelatin in hot water and prune juice. Add sugar, salt, cinnamon, raisins, and prunes. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in nuts. Turn into small baking powder can or molds. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve in slices. Garnish each slice with whipped cream if desired. Serves 6.

A CHRISTMAS WISH
"Puddings steaming, candles gleaming,
Branches weighted down,
Christmas on the farms and ranches!
Christmas in the town!
Christmas on the mountain ridges!
Christmas on the sea!
May your Christmas Day be merry
Wheresoever you be!"

BAKED FISH LOAF
2 cups flaked Canadian fish
1/4 cup of dry bread crumbs
3 tablespoons of finely chopped celery



Cranberries must brighten the Christmas menu. Try them this year in individual fluted tarts garnished with glistening meringue or smooth whipped cream.

and pepper, fresh frozen asparagus tips.

Melt butter. Add flour. Stir until blended. Then add cream and milk, stirring and blending constantly. Cook well. Add the broiled mushroom caps to the sauce. Season with salt and pepper.

To serve: arrange on a platter as many triangular pieces of freshly made toast as there will be servings. Place 6 steamed asparagus tips (cut in 4-inch lengths) on each toast triangle. Pour creamed mushrooms over the center of each serving.

FRIDAY'S FISH MENU

An Oven Dinner Saves Fuel by Cooking Whole Meal At One Time At Approximately The Same Temperature

When your bills are running high and time running short, why not have an oven dinner? It saves fuel by cooking the whole meal together at approximately the same temperature, and saves time by allowing the cook to carry on with other duties while the meal is cooking.
A baked fish loaf, baked potatoes and a medley of vegetables in casserole for the main course and cottage pudding for dessert makes a hearty dinner.
One vegetable or several combined may be used in the scalloped dish. Dice or slice cooked vegetables. Place in greased casserole, covering each layer of vegetables with white sauce. Sprinkle with bread crumbs and bake in moderate oven until crumbs are brown. Here is the recipe for the fish loaf which can be served hot for dinner and cold for next day's lunch.

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Healthful Dainties For Holiday Meals

Here are two recipes from sunny Hawaii to make your Christmas holiday entertaining more festive. The first is a delicious party punch made from canned unsweetened Hawaiian Pineapple juice and the second a pineapple juice fig filling that is delicious served between the layers of devil's food cake.

Holiday Punch
4 cups fresh orange juice
2 cups fresh lemon juice
4 cups canned cherry juice
16 cups canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice
2 cups grape juice
16 cups water
1/4 cup strawberry syrup

3/4 pound cane sugar
3 quarts ginger ale
Slices of oranges and lemons
Canned Hawaiian pineapple gems (spoon size pieces)
Block of ice

Mix all ingredients except ginger ale, sliced fruit and ice, and let stand overnight in a cool place (refrigerator preferred). Before serving time, place clear blocks of ice in bowl, pour in punch and add ginger ale. Garnish top of the ice with sliced fruit. Approximately 90 servings.

Pineapple Fig Filling
1 1/2 cups dried figs
1 1/2 cups canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice.
2 slices lemon peel
1/2 cup sugar
Rinse figs, stem and chop in small pieces. Add pineapple juice

and lemon peel. Bring to boil and let boil actively for about 10 minutes. Add sugar and cook until mixture thickens, stirring frequently to prevent scorching. Remove lemon peel, cool and spread between layers of devil's food cake. This amount makes adequate filling for two nine or ten inch layers or enough topping for an 8 x 9 sheet cake.

Any players wishing to try out for Concordia Juveniles are asked to get in touch with Phil Wimmer at the NDG Park as soon as possible.

Small boy (in hosiery shop): "I want a collar for Dad's Christmas present."
Assistant: "One like mine?"
Small boy: "No. A clean one, please."

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HOLLYWOOD GOSSIP

These Actors Were Real Fire Fighters

Fire-fighting equipment from the huge Santa Fe Springy oil field was used for the oil well fire scenes in "Blackmail," starring Edward G. Robinson now playing at the Monkland United Theatre.

The regular crew of six trained men under Harry Whittaker, one of California's two oil well shooters, donned asbestos suits, gloves, helmets and special fireproof shoes and moved with Robinson and Guinn (Big Boy) Williams right up to within a few feet of the 150-foot fire.

Six streams of water from Los Angeles and Culver City fire departments were turned on the fighters as well as on derricks and used as background for the thrilling surrounding property. An active oil field of 300 wells was in scenes.

The new picture is a tense melodrama of the attempt of an innocent chain gang victim to lead a new life, and of his resentencing, second escape and revenge after the real criminal tricks him. "Blackmail" brings Edward G. Robinson to the screen in a characterization reminiscent of many of his former successes, but with an entirely new background.

Robinson is seen as John Ingram, former ship's mate who builds up a business as dynamiter of oil well well fires, but who develops a callous brutality when sent back to the horrors of the chain gang, and makes revenge his sole aim in life. The part has some of the elements of those in which Robinson scored in "Little Caesar," "Five Star Final," "Silver Dollar" and "The Last Gangster," but it is completely individual in setting, in development and in final rounding out.

'Espionage Agent' Is Timely Picture

As timely and potent a warning as this nation has ever been given via the medium of motion pictures is contained in "Espionage Agent," the Warner Bros. picture starring Joel McCrea and Brenda Marshall.

With uncanny foresight, the picture, which was finished before the European war broke out, envisages just such a situation as that in which the United States finds itself today—a wealthy and powerful neutral in a warring world, a nation which, while it does not supply any belligerent with direct implements of warfare, has become nevertheless the chief reliance of some of the warring countries for the necessities of life.

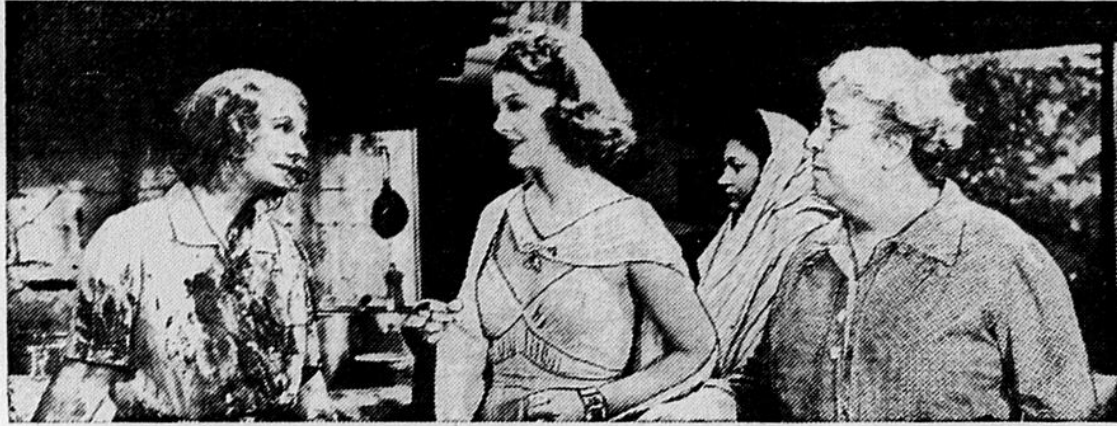
The picture, at the outset, recalls the extensive campaign of sabotage which was carried out in this country by agents of the central powers long before the United States entered the World War of 1914-1918. Just as if the producers of the film knew in advance that another great European war would break out early in September, the picture tells a highly credible tale of how agents of certain foreign countries have been making their plans for industrial sabotage in the United States.

The warning that the picture conveys is that, unless Congress does something about it very quickly, this nation is almost powerless to cope with such espionage, for it has neither laws nor specifically designated agencies to deal with it.

The plot of "Espionage Agent" is, of course, fictional, however authentic the background and the conditions it depicts. It tells, in the main, the tale of a girl who has been a tool of a spy ring and of a young "career man" in the United States diplomatic service who marries this girl.

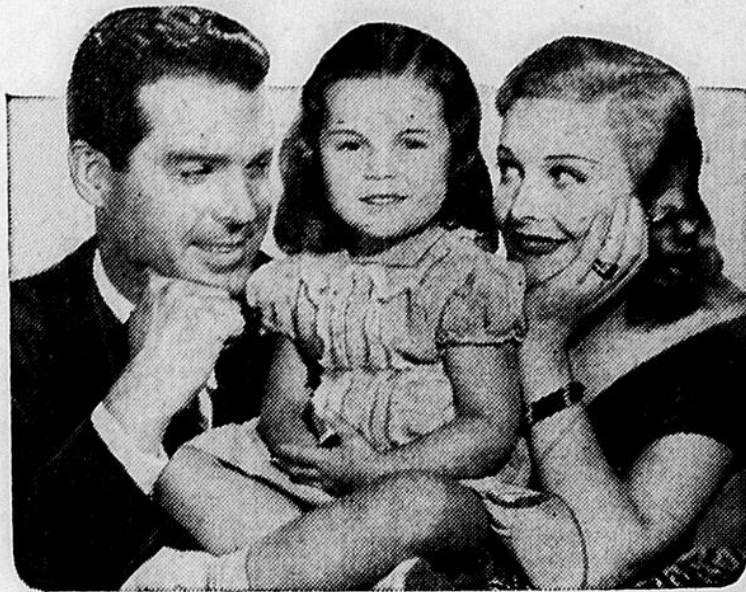
Forced to resign from the service when the past history of his

EXCITING LOUIS BROMFIELD NOVEL



Marjorie Rambeau, Myrna Loy and Jane Darwell in a scene from the film "The Rains Came" which opens Sunday at the Monkland United Theatres.

COMEDY ROMANCE!



Madeleine Carroll, Carolyn Lee and Fred MacMurray in a scene from the film "Honeymoon in Bali" opening Sunday at the Westmount United Theatre.

STIRRING ADVENTURE!



A scene from the film "Stanley and Livingston" starring Spencer Tracy, Richard Greene and Nancy Kelly, opening Sunday at the Snowdon United Theatre for a three day engagement.

wife comes to light, the young diplomat and his wife engage in an engrossing and highly exciting endeavor to circumvent by themselves the plotting of the spy ring for which the girl had once worked. Unaided, they succeed brilliantly after a series of hazardous adventures. Aside from McCrea and Miss Marshall, the latter a recruit from the stage who makes her motion picture debut in "Espionage Agent," the cast includes Jeffrey Lynn, George Bancroft, Stanley Ridges and James Stephenson. "Espionage Agent" is now playing at the Westmount United Theatre until Saturday.

Splendid Bill At Snowdon

Every season and in almost every picture, screen proposals are becoming more realistic. Perhaps it's because the married scenarists of today have better memories than those of yesterday and the single writers have acquired more experience. Or maybe it's just another manifestation like streamlining and jitterbugging. Flowery speeches delivered from bended knee position are definitely out. They've gone with

Laughton!



"Jamaica Inn" opens Saturday at the York United Theatre.

the final clinch and the sunset fadeout.

The heroines prompt, and encourage, and help the heroes over the final hurdles. Sometimes they even take the initiative, as Bette Davis did in "Dark Victory," when she came right out and asked George Brent if he didn't know she loved him.

More often they help the proposal along a little more indirectly, as Priscilla Lane did in "Daughters Courageous" when she snuggled a little closer to John Garfield, pursed her lips provocatively, and said: "If you kiss me now, you'll save a lot of time."

Even the settings for film proposals have changed. Moonlit gardens or rugged cliffs overlooking the sea, into which an obliging sun is dipping, no longer are requisite. Men say the fateful words in kitchens, subways, skating rinks or quick lunch booths as frequently as they do in more conventionally romantic settings.

John Garfield and Priscilla Lane, who seem to have acquired the habit of falling in love in pictures, are sitting in a hay wagon in a farm barnyard when he proposes to her for their new Warner Bros. feature, "Dust Be My Destiny," which is now showing at the Snowdon United Theatre until Saturday. The stars and the moon are hidden but they have an audience—the cows and the chickens.

"GONE WITH THE WIND" EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

By Jack Hirschberg

Hollywood, Dec. 20.—Climaxing almost four years of work, including ten months of actual filming, David O. Selznick herded newspaper men into Hollywood's Four Star Theatre last week and unveiled the only complete print of his cinematographic masterpiece, "Gone With the Wind." For four hours national syndicate writers and small town hicks—like your correspondent—sat and stared at the most amazing film they had ever seen, and when it was all over these veterans of a thousand previews could do no better than gasp with admiration, for "Gone With the Wind" is all that its press-agents say it is—and more.

Those loyal fans of Margaret Mitchell who have worried themselves silly over casting problems may rest easy now, for "Gone With the Wind" is a masterpiece of casting. Leslie Howard's Ashley Wilkes is a touching, convincing performance. Clark Gable is Rhett Butler in the flesh, carefree, reckless, dashing. Olivia de Havilland is both lovely and brilliant as the sad-hearted Melanie Hamilton, and the supporting cast is studded with many of the screen's most capable players.

Fine Performance

As for Vivien Leigh—her portrayal of Scarlett will go down in screen annals as one of the most beautifully etched performances of all time. She is at once beautiful and stubborn, fetching and annoying, passionate and foolish. One gets the impression that no other female star could have carried the role as did Miss Leigh, and her work leaves nothing to be desired.

Miss Mitchell's story of the decay and death of the Old South has been brought to the screen almost in its entirety, and many of the lines in the script are those of Miss Mitchell, herself. The film runs three hours and 40 minutes, but the late Sydney Howard's classic adaptation is smooth-running and far from roughly episodic. One sits transfixed throughout as the gay ball at Twelve Oaks, the marriage of Ashley and Melanie, the outbreak of war, the burning of Atlanta, the return to Tara, the birth of Scarlett's babe and the death of Melanie pass in review.

Technicolor

Photographed in a technicolor more brilliant than any heretofore attempted, "Gone With the Wind" reaches new heights of photographic excellence. Some of its sequences are so beautifully done that the onlooker may think for a moment that he is gazing at a masterpiece of art. And so he is.

Amongst the supporting performances one must give special mention to those of Canada's young Ann Rutherford as Carreen O'Hara, Thomas Mitchell as Scarlett's father, Hattie McDaniel as the mammy, Laura Hope Crews, Butterfly McQueen, Evelyn Keyes and Ona Munson. The musical scoring and recording are triumphs in themselves, and the direction is just about faultless.

"Gone With the Wind" received its world premier in Atlanta Friday night, and will receive a second premier in Hollywood at the Carthy Circle on December 28. It is not probable that Montrealeers will see it for many weeks to come, but you may rest assured that it is well worth waiting for.

ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS CARDS

Sir Henry Cole, an English social and educational reformer, invented the first Christmas card. It was six inches long and four inches wide, and depicted in the panels formed by a leafy trellis two acts of charity—clothing the needing and feeding the hungry.

Children's Theatre Plans Pretentious Production

The Children's Theatre, Montreal's unique children's theatrical group, directed by Dorothy Davis and Violet Walters, announce that they have secured the rights to present their tenth major production, "The Youth of Queen Victoria" or "The Young Princess," by Consuelo De Reyes, a play of the youth of Queen Victoria, which was first produced at the Everyman's Theatre, London, England, and at the Little Theatre, Bath, with great success. The Children's Theatre are the first to secure the Canadian rights, and it is the most pretentious performance ever attempted by this organization who have already many outstanding productions to their credit, including: Little Women, Daddy Long Legs, Anne of Green Gables, Pollyanna and many other well known plays.

So evident has been the enthusiasm on the part of not only children, but also adults, to witness this production, that the directors of the Children's Theatre have deviated from the usual Saturday afternoon show, and are making this particular play on Saturday evening. Being of great historical value, school children should certainly not miss the opportunity of seeing this delightful play which gives the story of the beloved Vicky from the age of six, until she is crowned queen. All the well known characters of that era will be brought to life, including the Duchess of Kent, which will be portrayed by Lillian Wilkinson, Baroness Lechen by Joan Philpott, and the role of Victoria will be played by three different young thespians, Iris Shikar, who portrays the little princess when she is six, Joyce Litwin when she is ten, and Alfreda Wallace from the time she is fourteen until she is crowned queen. The incidents of her life, the introduction of the two princes, Ernest and Albert are pictured with charm and accuracy.

The directors of the Children's Theatre have been working for months on this production in order to select the finest cast, and rehearsals would indicate that this will be one of the highlights in the career of this organization. With a cast of 60 children, juniors and seniors, elaborate costumes, and special scenery, Montrealeers will have something to look forward to, and this will doubtless be an occasion when parents will delight in accompanying the younger set, as the play will be of definite interest to children and adults alike.

Westmount Theatre advertisement for 'Espionage Agent' featuring Joel McCrea and Brenda Marshall.

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Westmount Theatre advertisement for 'Blackmail' featuring Edward G. Robinson.

Westmount Theatre advertisement for 'Zorina' featuring Zorina.

Westmount Theatre advertisement for 'On Your Toes' featuring Eddie Albert, Alan Hale, Frank McHugh, and James Gleason.

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Large advertisement for beer featuring a man drinking and the slogan 'I'm temperate - Beer is my drink'.

Advertisement for Velvet Dresses Steamed 75c by White Swan Cleaners.

Advertisement for Children's Theatre 'Queen Victoria' show.

Advertisement for Snowdon Theatre 'On Your Toes'.

Advertisement for Snowdon Theatre 'The Youth of Queen Victoria'.

SWIMMING HONORS GAINED BY WESTMOUNT SCOUTS

WIN AGGREGATE POINTS IN CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING HELD AT N.D.G. COMMUNITY HALL

Local Entrants Lead Scout and Senior Sections at Meet Held on Friday Night — S. C. Holland, District Commissioner, and G. Robley Mackay, Vice-President, Presented Pennants and Ribbons

Aggregate honors in the annual Scout championship swimming meet held in the N.D.G. Community Hall on Friday night were won by Scouts and Wolf Cubs of the Western and Westmount districts. Westmount lead the Scout and Senior sections while the Western district gained the highest aggregate points in the Wolf Cub division.

District Commissioner S. C. Holland and G. Robley Mackay vice-president of the local Scout association, presented championship ribbons to individual winners and pennants to the leading sections. Following are the results in the final events: Wolf Cub section 25 yards free style. Hersev, High School, Keddy, St. Barnabas, Puddicombe, Trinity, 25 yards free style—Forbes, St. Matthew, Ashfield, St. Barnabas, Ware, St. Matthew. Inter-pack relay—St. Matthew 1st Westmount, High School Section—25 yards free style, Mingie, Willingdon, Phillips, W. P. A. L. E., Martin, Steer. 50 yards breast stroke—Fatterson, St. Andrew's, Ellis, St. George's, Dods, G. A. B. 100 yards breast stroke—Mingie, Willingdon, Ellis, St. George's, Dods, Cathedral. 50 yards free style—Myers, Mount Royal, Lind, Roy, St. Lawrence, Quinn, St. George's, 50 yards breast stroke—Lindsay, R. St. L., Quinn, St. George's, Weston, St. James.

Final Week For Hockey Loop Entries

This is the final week in which teams may enter the Westmount municipal hockey leagues which operate at Westmount Park. It was announced yesterday by Norman Smyth, director of municipal recreation. Four teams are entered in the senior section, five in the midjet, and six in the juvenile.

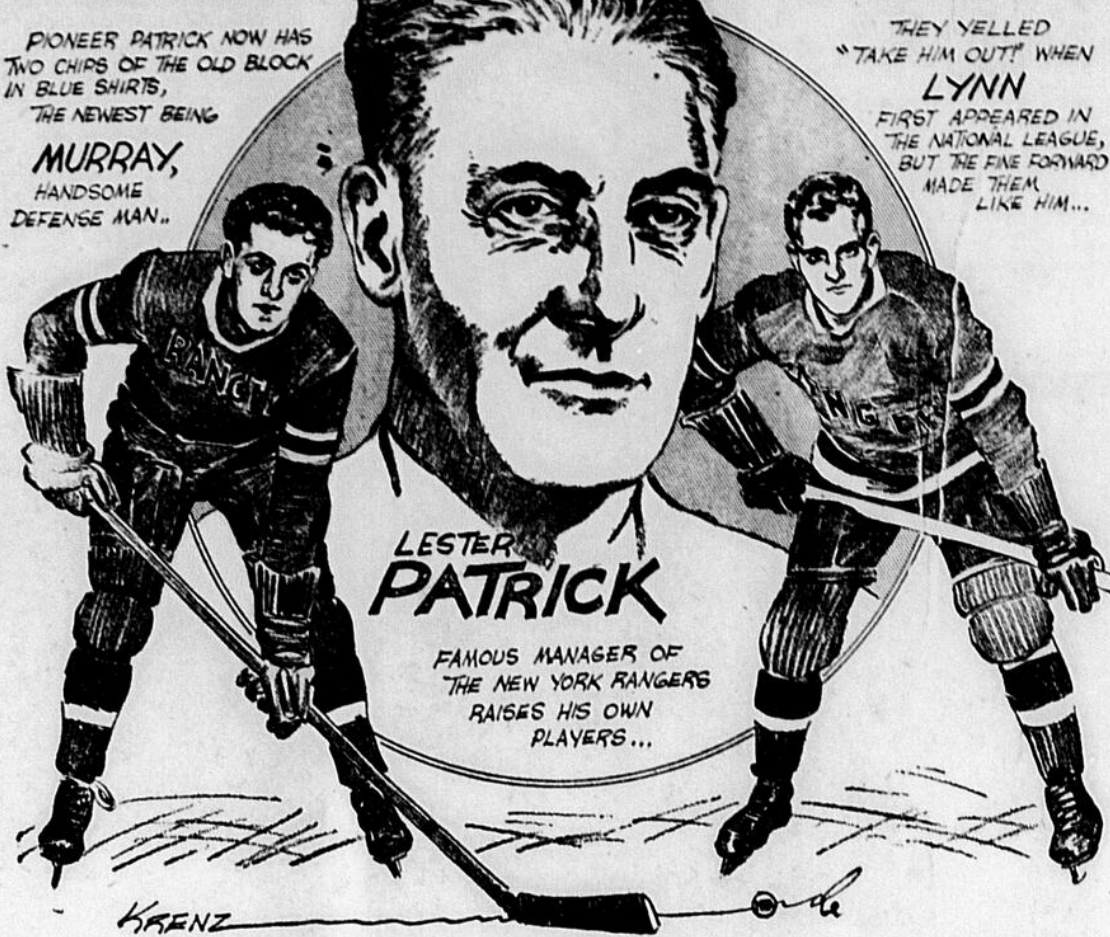
REVISION IN "Y" HOLIDAY PROGRAM MADE

New Christmas Schedule at District Branch for Boys Is Announced

The revised Christmas holiday program for the boys' division of the district Y.M.C.A. is as follows: Dec. 22nd: 4:00 p.m. Exhibit of Arts and Crafts; 6:00 p.m. Hi-Y Club Christmas Supper. Dec. 23rd: 9:00 a.m. Regular Program. Dec. 24th: 2:00 p.m. Westmount Y.M.C.A. Junior Symphony Orchestra at Children's Memorial Hospital; 4:00 p.m. The Orchestra at the Westmount Y.M.C.A. Dec. 26th: 9:30 a.m. Craft Shop open every morning this week; 9:30 a.m. Westmount Rinks will be open for practice games. The scheduled league games start on Jan. 6; 2:00 p.m. Educational Trip to downtown Montreal—Chateau de Ramezay, Bonsecours Market, City Hall and the Law Courts; 4:00 p.m. General Gym; 5:00 p.m. General Swim. Dec. 27th: 9:30 a.m. Industrial Trip Dom. Engineering; 2:00 p.m. Education Trip Ethnological Museum McGill—Senior School boys interested in medicine as a profession, will meet with Dr. Francis in the Sir William Osler Library at McGill; 4:00 p.m. General Gym; 5:00 p.m. General Swim; 4 p.m. Shell Oil Movies. Dec. 28th: 9:30 a.m. Table Tennis Tournaments—Championships; 2:00 p.m. Educational Trip Elmhurst Dairy; 7:30 p.m. Visit to Dent Harrison's Bakery; 7:30 p.m. Table Tennis Tournaments—So. Western Y. (Inter Branch Championships, Prep., Jr. Int. Sr.). Dec. 29th: 9:30 a.m. Industrial Trip Youville Shops; 4:00 p.m. General Gym; 5:00 p.m. General Swim; 7:30 p.m. Movies and Demonstration by Bell Telephone. Dec. 30th: 9:30 a.m. Regular Program. Jan. 2nd: 2:00 p.m. Visit to Dominion Bridge. Jan. 5th: 6:00 p.m. Big Hockey Supper for Preps, Jrs. Int. Jan. 6th: 9:00 a.m. Prep, Jr. and Int. Hockey Leagues play first games at Roslyn, Murray and Westmount Parks.

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HOCKEY'S FIRST FAMILY



Canada Gets Early Start In Winter Sports Activity

From Canada's Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal to the majestic Rockies that pierce Alberta and British Columbia skies, Canada has one of the outstanding regions in the world for winter sports. Already snow has fallen in the Laurentians and the Canadian Rockies, enabling many enthusiasts to get in a few trials runs before the official season opens.

For most easterners, of course, the Montreal region is more accessible. Ski devotees who live in New York, Pennsylvania, and New England, as a general rule, make it a point at least once or twice a year to run the tricky slopes of the Laurentians. Every facility for this sport is at hand and many may be had for the asking.

Cars Slightly Damaged In Collision

Both vehicles were slightly damaged when a car driven by E. Lamarche, of 5550 Cote St. Luke road, skidded into the rear of a stationary automobile operated by A. S. Green, 4612 Melrose avenue, opposite 4720 The Boulevard, at nine o'clock Monday morning. The cars were headed in an easterly direction on The Boulevard.

THISTLE RINK TAKES MAJOR CURLING GAME

Rink Skipped by John I. Rankin Figures in Spectacular Comeback

In one of the most spectacular comebacks in a major curling final, John I. Rankin's rink of J. F. Russell, Colin Rankin and R. G. Hutchison beat out Willie Brown of Royal Montreal on the closing end of the Westmount Bouspiel trophy at Heather by 11-10 last Saturday night. Starting poorly, the Rankin team fell behind 9-2. They suffered another setback, but never gave up. They gradually got back into the fight, winning five of the next six ends to make the score 10-9 in Brown's favor. It was here that all the action of the match was packed as Brown tried to hold his edge without success as Russell Hutchison got in two counting shots, which held good in front of some fine guard shots layed down by Skipper Rankin.

APPRENTICES ARE ASSET TO RAILWAY

In an address before the Locomotive Maintenance Officers Association at Chicago recently, A. H. Williams, general supervisor, apprentice training for the Canadian National Railways, stated that the officers of the company realize the importance of having a well planned system for training apprentices so that they may have mechanics who have been trained in the different departments of main shops, roundhouses and repair and inspection yards.

In order that they may be retained in the service of the company as they finish their apprenticeship, only sufficient apprentices are taken on each year to take care of the normal separation from the payroll, according to Mr. Williams. "The Canadian National Railways encourage these apprentices to become professional engineers and already had a number of graduates."

MORE BOYS NEEDED

There is still room for more boys in the Pee Wee League which operates at Staynor Park. Six teams are entered in the loop. A girls' league of four teams is also to operate at Staynor.

The biggest private Christmas tree ever seen in Britain was one which the Duke of Norfolk had cut from his own estate. It stood 70 feet high, weighed nearly four tons, and bore on its branches presents to the value of \$22,500.

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NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the Red Cross group of Westmount Park United Church will be held in Webster Hall on Wednesday, January 3.

THREE YULETIDES EACH YEAR

There is one place where Christmas is kept three times a year—in the Church of Nativity at Bethlehem, the reputed site of the Stable of the Inn. The Roman, Greek and Armenian Greek bodies have each their respective section of the church, but their Christmas celebrations do not occur on the same day. The Latin Christmas is celebrated at the Roman Catholic altar on December 25. Thirteen days later the Orthodox Easterns perform the Greek rite. Another 13 days later the Armenian church keeps its own ceremonial of Byzantine faith.

TWELFTH NIGHT

Twelfth night is January 5, the eve of Twelfth day, or the Feast of the Epiphany, twelve days after Christmas. Formerly this last of the Christmas holidays was the occasion of great merrymaking.

Canada, perhaps, is a bit more proud of its impressive Rockies. Here are peaks comparable to the Alps of Switzerland. And for those American skiers who have spent previous winters skiing in Switzerland the Canadian Rockies offer equal facilities. In the Banff and Lake Louise region ski cabins are now available. Swift ski runs are numerous and are built especially to test the skill of the expert. Then there are slopes on which the novice may ski in safety.

The Columbia Ice Fields, opened this summer for the first time to the public, is another area that is ideal for winter sports. In fact skiing may be had here the year round, but from now until late spring it is at its best. The mountains here rear snow-capped heads 10,000 feet into the air and bear upon their sloping backs snow of untold depth. Here professionals from all over the world find skiing terrains that tax all their experience and skill.

Employees serving tourists in various Kansas towns know too little about important historical information it was discovered in a survey made recently by the Santa Fe Trail division of the Old Trails Association. So schools have been launched for the expressed purpose of tutoring these employees in the history of Trail towns. All along this famous highway study groups have been set up to be instructed in tourist courtesy and local history. The teachers are historians or publicity men well versed in local lore.

February may seem a long way off, but folks in Brownsville, Texas, are rushing preparations for their Charro Days Fiesta which will be held Feb. 1 through February 4. The Fiesta was started two years ago, and in that short time it has attracted national attention, because it has recaptured the romance and color of the old Texas-Mexican border country. Everyone, including natives and visitors, enter into the festivities by dressing in the Charro or China Poblana costume. The Charro costume is the dress of the Mexican cowboy. The China Poblana is a striking, brilliantly colored dress

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