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Mayor W. A. Merrill Inspects Air Cadets No. 1 (Westmount)

Boys Congratulated on Excellent Showing and Complimented on Smartness of Appearance

Westmount's No. 1 Air Cadet Squadron, the first air cadets in North America, had its first formal inspection of the 1943-44 year last Friday at the Royal Montreal Regiment Armoury.

The four-flight squadron was inspected by His Worship the Mayor of Westmount, W. A. Merrill. Accompanying the mayor was Dr. Fred Tees, chairman of the Westmount School Board, whose son was among those who were promoted to the ranks of the N.C.O.'s. Also with the mayor were officials of the Air Cadet League of Canada and officers of the No. 3 Training Command of the R.C.A.F.

After the inspection the mayor said a few words to the cadets. He told them that the citizens of Westmount were proud of the squadron, the first in the whole air cadet league, and he added, "Any man who has the honour of wearing the air force blue is entitled to feel proud of the fact, by reason of the unique training it provides. There isn't a finer uniform in the world."

The mayor also presented crowns and stripes to those cadets who had won them. Proudest of all was Allan Mackey who is now the squadron's acting W.O.2, the highest rank that any cadet can achieve.

The squadron, led by Drum Major John Pepper, made a fine showing during the march past and the air force officers were pleased with the four flights and in particular with flights one and two which carried rifles.

The R.C.A.F. officers were Wing Commander S. A. Sprange, in charge of technical training, Squadron Leader Paul Gadbois, Command Cadet Officer, Flt.-Lt. D. A. Stevenson, assistant command cadet officer, and Flt.-Lt. D. M. Penhall, liaison officer from No. 5 Manning Depot, Lachine.

Among the civilians present were A. L. Melling, vice-president of the air cadet league and chairman of the executive committee; C. Douglas Taylor, chairman of the Quebec Provincial Committee; Dean C. S. Le Messurier, chairman of the Westmount civilian committee; and A. Lovell Phillips, of the Westmount school board whose son was among those who were inspected.

Annual Meeting To Be Held On December 29th

Westmount Municipal Association to Meet At Victoria Hall

The annual general meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association has been called for next Wednesday, at 8.15 in the evening, in Victoria Hall.

In addition to the business of the meeting, consisting of receiving the report of the president, Dr. Keith O. Hutchison, and the financial statement, electing the officers and members of the committee for the ensuing year, and a discussion of matters of general interest to the citizens of the municipality, His Worship, Mayor Walter A. Merrill, K.C., Dr. F. J. Tees, chairman, Protestant board of School Commissioners, and Professor C. M. McKergow, chairman, library trustees, will speak briefly. There will also be a showing of a moving picture entitled "The City of the Future".

All citizens of Westmount are cordially invited to attend.

Memorial Organ To Be Used First Time

Church of The Advent To Hold Carol Service

The work of erecting the "Memorial Organ" at the Church of The Advent, Westmount, is nearly completed. The organ will be used for the first time at the Midnight Solemn Eucharist on Christmas Eve and will lend additional beauty to the inspiring music of the Christmas Services, specially at the ancient English traditional "Carol Service of Nine Lessons", which, revived at The Advent for the first time in Eastern Canada last year, is being sung again at this church on Sunday evening.

Dating back to the original Mattins of Christmas the "Carol Service of Nine Lessons" traces the story of man's redemption in promise and fulfillment and culminates at the Crib of the Christ Child. After the censing of the Crib and the singing of the Carol "Rocking" the choristers' candles are lighted and acolytes, choir and clergy return to the Sanctuary in a candle-light procession singing the "Adeste Fidelis."

St. Andrew's Church Plans Choral Service

A full choral servic will be presented Sunday evening in St. Andrew's Church by an augmented choir, directed by Fred Whiteley. The soloists will be Miss Lefebvre, Miss Jean Millar, Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Messrs. John Grant, Edgar Davies, David Whitelaw and Cpl. Dennis Ore. Selections will be sung from Saint Saens "Christmas Oratorio," at the morning service.

There will be a full choral service in the evening at half-past seven o'clock. Christmas hymns, anthems and carols will be sung in subdued light to help create the real spirit of this gracious season.

These services are designed especially for the young men and women on active service who will be home for Christmas. A social evening of the young folks in the Alpha Omega Society will bring the day to a close.

Christmas Spirit At Joint Hi-Y Club

The Christmas spirit was prevailing at the joint meeting of the Westmount boys and girls Hi-Y clubs which was held in the local Y.M.C.A. last Friday evening. Whitfield Aston, outstanding amateur actor, was on hand and did some character sketches from Dickens that had his young audience gasping in admiration.

He did two sketches of characters in "David Copperfield" and one from "Pickwick Papers."

Mr. Aston had the audience rolling in the aisles, though, when he told a story to illustrate that "when a man drinks he may make a fool of himself and when he drinks too much he is sure to." After telling and acting his story he recited a short poem which he called an anthology for girls.

The actor concluded his program with a bit of pathos. He portrayed the old grandfather in "The Old Curiosity Shop" and when he sat down the applause was deafening.

Mr. Aston was introduced by Charles McCrae and was thanked by Joy MacKay, president of the girls Hi-Y.

Those who have not yet been inducted as members of the boys Hi-Y will be inducted on Sunday evening, January 15. An induction ceremony was held December 12 and this one is for the new members who were unable to come on that day.

F/O E. B. Lindsay Listed Seriously Ill

As the result of injuries received on active service, Flying Officer Ernest Bonar Lindsay, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lindsay, of 556 Victoria avenue, is listed in a recent R.C.A.F. casualty list as "dangerously ill". According to a later report received by his parents, he is now listed as "seriously ill." Born in Montreal, Flying Officer Lindsay was educated in Westmount High School where he was prominent in athletics. He had completed a year of engineering at McGill University when he joined up in April, 1941. Two brothers in the service are Pte. Cyril F. Lindsay, R.C.O.C., and Flt. Sgt. George A. Lindsay, R.C.A.F., both overseas.

Mrs. A. H. Gordon of Westmount Is Dead

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at First Baptist Church, of Mrs. A. H. Gordon, wife of Dr. A. H. Gordon, who passed away at her residence on Wednesday, at 634 Victoria Avenue, after an illness of several weeks. Rev. Dr. M. F. McCutcheon will conduct the service and interment will take place in Mount Royal cemetery.

Born and educated in Windsor, N.S., Mrs. Gordon came to Montreal in 1907, following her marriage, and had been a resident of this city since that time.

She was particularly interested in the foreign mission work of the First Baptist Church, of which she was a member. She also took a great interest in music and was a member of the Ladies' Morning Musicale as well as the McGill Women's Union.

Survivors in addition to her husband include two sons, Maj. A. L. Gordon, R.C.A.M.C., serving overseas, and Capt. Donald C. Gordon, at Air Force Headquarters, Ottawa, with the Canadian Dental Corps, and a daughter, Miss Jean Gordon.

Capt. L. C. Carroll Wins Promotion

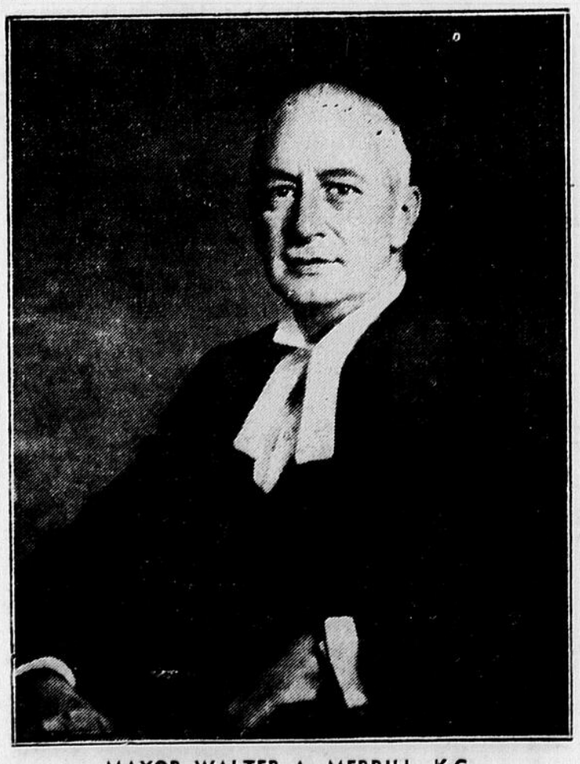
Captain Lovell C. Carroll, permanent prosecutor in the office of the assistant judge advocate general at M.D. No. 4, has been promoted from the rank of lieutenant. He is a gradaute of McGill University and of the law faculty of the University of Montreal. He qualified for his commission in the McGill C.O.T.C., which he joined on the outbreak of war, and later joined the Royal Montreal Regiment proceeding on active service as a reinforcement officer in February, 1943. He is married and has one daughter. His home is at 4723 Grosvenor avenue.

Mayor Hopes For Peace By Christmas Of 1944

My message to the citizens of Westmount this fifth war Christmas is primarily one of thankfulness. Christmas stands for peace, good-will and thankfulness; and after four years of war the tide of battle has at last turned in our favour and we have experienced much to be thankful for in the past year. While the way may be long and hard, we can now look forward to ultimate victory.

The horrors and devastation of bombing, for which so many citizens prepared and trained, are becoming less likely as time goes on. We should indeed be thankful for that. I do not mean that we should relax our efforts. Unceasing vigilance is the price we must pay for safety. In the past year we have had to give up some of our comforts, and in the coming year we may be called upon for increased sacrifices. If so, let us all face these things with patience, cheerfulness and good will, not forgetting good will to each other, not only at Christmas time, but all the year 'round.

To the relatives and families of those who have paid the supreme sacrifice, or have loved ones in prison camps or hospitals, I extend the sympathy of your fellow citizens. Be of stout heart—they belong to the great ones of our land. To those in the Armed Services and their relatives I wish a speedy reunion. Let us all hope that the year to come will bring peace on earth and good will to all men.



MAYOR WALTER A. MERRILL, K.C.

Rabbi S. Cohen Speaks On Youth Problems

Rabbi Samuel M. Cohen, Jewish educationist and executive director of the United Synagogue of America, was the speaker at the 97th annual meeting and Chanukah social of Shaar Hashomayim Congregation, Westmount, held Thursday evening, December 23rd.

Rabbi Cohen's visit here is in connection toward furthering Canadian participation in the present program of integration of the problems of Jewish adolescents into the constructive efforts of Jewish religious and communal organizations. This project is attempting to deal with the rising tide of wartime juvenile and adolescent maladjustment and is also concerned with the broader scope of youth readjustment in the post-war era.

MRS. V. CLEGHORN DIES

Mrs. Vivian Cleghorn, wife of Sprague Cleghorn, former hockey great, a long time resident of Mount Pleasant Avenue, died suddenly in hospital over last weekend.

Stamp Club Names L. Flood President

The Westmount Stamp Club held their annual election of officers at their last meeting held on Thursday night, December 16th, in Victoria Hall.

This was also their last meeting in 1943 as the club recessed until January 6th in the new year.

The nominating committee brought forward the same slate of officers that has carried the club through to such a successful season this year, this includes president L. Flood; 1st vice-president, R. H. M. Falls; 2nd vice-president, T. Barrington; secretary T. Hunt and treasurer R. J. Sutherland.

The re-elected president thanked the members for the confidence shown in him and his executive, and promised that the club would have many interesting programs in the coming year. To head the list off he mentioned that a guest speaker would be available for the first meeting of the new year.

Scout Headquarters Staff Is Changed

Staff changes at Boy Scout Headquarters here have been recently announced with the retirement of F. C. Anderson, 4531 Patricia Avenue, as local and provincial scout executive secretary, who was presented with a silver tray by the local Scout Council in appreciation of his services from 1927 to 1943.

He is succeeded by W. J. C. Hewetson, 3862 Old Orchard Avenue, Scoutmaster of the Second Westmount Troop.

Economical Thief Cuts Down Spruce From NDG Garden

A. J. Avery, Fire Inspector, Victim of Despicable Form Of Crime

Celebrating the birth of Christ with a stolen tree seems more than usually incongruous, but everything appears to point to something like this at the expense of A. J. Avery of 4351 Westhill Avenue, fire inspector of the City of Westmount.

On Monday evening around eight o'clock, Mr. Avery looked out from his living room and saw under the window a fine spruce six and a half feet high which he planted in October after taking 75 miles journey north of the city to obtain it. At 11 the same night, the tree was gone, cut about a foot from the ground. The butt was about three inches in diameter. Neither axe nor saw but evidently a strong knife had been used.

Spruces are notoriously hard to transplant and Mr. Avery commented bitterly on the fact that lots on Monkland Avenue a few minutes' walk away are stocked with Christmas trees for sale at moderate prices. The owner had had the tree sprayed with insecticide against sawfly, but this did not avail against the type of vermin that walks on two feet.

West End Youths Become Future R.C.A.F. Airmen

West end boys have maintained a prominent place in R.C.A.F. training schools and many have graduated as air crew members from schools in central and eastern Canada. The following list has recently been released.

Among those receiving their commissions as navigators at No. 1 Air Observer School, Malton, Ont., were J. L. Baker, 4133 Hampton Avenue, and G. R. Roy, 25 Thurlow Avenue.

Among those graduating from No. 4 Air Observer School, London, Ont., were R. J. Chapman, 2154 Northcliffe Avenue; F. C. Mayer, 580 Cote St. Antoine Road; M. W. MacDonald, 442 Lansdowne Avenue; L. A. Seton, 117 Brock Avenue South, and L. A. F. Verdiccho, 4250 Melrose Avenue.

Wireless Air Gunners graduating from Mountain View, Ont., were L. R. Hamilton, 4128 Harvard Avenue; R. McColl, 194 Selby Street; E. K. Sheehy, 2187 Old Orchard Avenue; J. H. Shields, 2338 Melrose Avenue; and G. P. Perrigo, 5652 Sherbrooke St. W.

Pilot G. H. Wurtele, 756 Upper Lansdowne Avenue, was among those graduating at No. 1 Service Flying Training School, Camp Borden.

Air Observers from Chatham, N.B., were D. J. O'Sullivan, 2285 Melrose Avenue, and R. H. St. Arnaud, 5080 Circle Road.

Capt. C. R. Merrill Wins Promotion

Word has been received that Capt. Claude R. Merrill, a member of Les Fusiliers Mont-Royal, but now attached to a reinforcement unit overseas as a quartermaster, has been promoted from lieutenant. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henri Merrill, of 314 Kensington avenue, Westmount, and joined up in 1939, obtaining a commission in the Montreal unit. He went overseas in February, 1941. A brother, Sgt. Henri Merrill, R.C.A.F., who went overseas in the same convoy, was killed in action on September 8, 1941, in a daylight raid over Norway. Another brother is Lieut. Rodier Merrill, 2nd (R.) Bn., Les Fusiliers Mont Royal.

City Hall To Close Early On Friday

The city hall will be closed from 12:30 p.m. on Friday, December 24th, until 9 a.m., Monday, December 27th; also from 12:30 p.m. on Friday, December 31st, to 9 a.m. on Monday, January 3rd.

Christmas Messages From Local Ministers

REV. R. E. SPENCER
St. Luke's United Church

THE NEED OF CHRISTMAS

The most appalling hazard of our age is the weary weight of disillusionment and despair which rests heavily on man. This, of course, is nothing new since Christ was born into a world when the spirit of despair possessed the hearts of men. The coming of Christmas now, as then, seeks to remove that hazard with its message of creative good will among men. The Holy Season is needed to remind us that we can happily released into a life of creative thought and action.

It is, therefore, no mere fleeting drama that we witness at Christmas, but the maturing of a deep spiritual experience. If we look beneath the pageantry and colorfulness of the Christmas season we find the same message of life; we discover that we need not be victims of seeming futility but rather servants of a lively hope in 'The promised Prince of Peace'. "If your eyes look for nothing but evil," said Maeterlinck, "you shall always see evil triumphant; but if you have learned to let your glance rest on sincerity, simpleness, truth, you will ever discover deep down in all things the silent overpowering victory of the thing which you love." Christmas teaches us to let our glance rest upon the real world of God — the world of creative good will — that defies every evil including the spirit of defeatism. Christmas is not a dream or illusion, it is the awakening of man to the real world of values.

We are keenly aware that sin, crime, and wrong stalk boldly abroad in the world. In some places we see a reversion to barbarism that we had believed no longer possible among men. We are aware of the slow and painful advance toward permanent peace in the world. But if we are reading the signs of our times with care we are aware of a Power, not of our own making, that is creating a more righteous world. Christmas bids us to be aware of the creative forces of God let loose in the world and to mobilize them for the good purpose of His Kingdom.

The need of the Christian gospel was never greater than now to stimulate the creative impulse and Christian faith in the real possibility of "Peace, good will among men". The gospel is mighty enough to do this; it is able to transform the whole of human life wherever it is accepted by man. Such a gospel as this will leave no place in men's hearts for the spirit of despair or defeat, nor hate, nor intolerance, and will fill us with the spirit of brotherhood and good will towards all men of our world, of whatever race, nation, or color. Passing before us now is the whole rich pageantry of Christmas. Once this sign was the portent of a great beginning. It was the first chapter of a divinely important life bringing hope to a shackled world. To a few today, perhaps, it will be just a colourful symbol. But to an increasing number there will be heard behind the noisy and superficial rendering of Christmas the authentic note as spoken by the angel, "Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." In such people the need of Christmas is fully met, and its message is a joy forever.

Rev. A. T. Love
St. Stephen's Church

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men." St. Luke 2.14. Such was the way the hosts of heaven saluted the birth of Christ.

It may seem strange to speak of peace and good will at a time like this. I read that through recent developments in the war no less than nine tenths of the world's population are engaged in it. And one might be inclined to think that a message of harsher nature would be more appropriate. But Christ's birth has to do with eternal principles. In that way it may be likened to the sun. The sun rises even though clouds may sometimes interfere with the fulness of its rays. So does Christ's birth persist whatever may be the conflicting circumstances.

The angels' message indicates two things. I —**"Glory to God in the highest."** Let praise of the highest kind be given to God for the Incarnation. "In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him." In the early days of the church this expression of joy was expanded into a morning hymn. It became known as the "Gloria in Excelsis," from the opening words of the Latin version. The Western Church reserved it for the celebration of the Holy Communion. II.—**"On earth peace, good will toward men."** A Gallup poll on our greatest desire would show it to be peace. And by that is meant that the war might come to an end. That is, indeed, very appealing, but it would not necessarily bring peace. It did not do so in 1918. In that case it meant only a postponement of hostilities. Peace is something more than the absence of war. It is primarily a state of mind. Someone aptly remarked—"The cities of happiness are in the state of mind." Peace is a spiritual product. "Can two walk together except they be agreed?" God wills us to have peace. That was one of the purposes of the Incarnation.

The state of war will pass, and there will be opportunities to create conditions that will prevent a repetition of it. His Majesty the King spoke of this in one of his Christmas messages. These are his words—"I think of you, my peoples, as one great family. For that is how we are learning to live. We all belong to each other. We all need each other. It is in serving each other and in sacrificing for our common good that we are finding our true life. In that spirit we shall win the war. And in that same spirit we shall win for the world after the war true lasting peace."

Peace is something to cultivate. It does not come of its own accord. And to that end let us all make frequent use of what is known as the Peace Prayer. "Give peace for all time, O Lord, and fill my heart and the hearts of all men everywhere with the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

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

"Whenever there is a wrong to be righted, a work to be done, or a truth to be preached, God sends a boy into the world." When the hour struck for the light to begin to shine into darkest Africa, a boy was born into a Scottish home at Blantyre, and they called his name David. When God knew that no nation could endure half slave and half free, a boy was born in a log cabin of the West, and he was baptized after the Biblical pioneer Abraham. When the world was threatened with a new paganism and an endless barbarism God raised up a son to the ancient house of Marlborough, and they called the child Winston.

Bethlehem means a new reverence for childhood. The huts where poor men lie have become sacred because of the humble shelter once glowing with the splendor of the Christ child. So Christmas leads us to seek the divine in the unpromising human, it always brings a kindlier and sweeter spirit to the poor, and a clearer vision of our duties to childhood.

Perhaps along with Dickens' Christmas Carol, we may well remember Bret Harte's story of how a baby came to Roaring Camp. The only woman in that camp died when the baby was born, leaving it to the care of those rough, tough men. The first thing they did was to buy a beautiful cradle. The cradle called for some dainty clothes. The cradle and clothes demanded a clean house. The clean house required a lawn and flowers around it. Soon the men began to clean up before they went to see the baby. As the child grew, their language became wonderfully restrained, and their voices wonderfully gentle. The presence of a baby transformed Roaring Camp into a new and lovely spot.

So the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem is transforming the world. Men because of Him, never cease trying to make it a fit place for His abode. God comes closer to us at this season than at any other time. So often He seems afar off and we wonder if He hears, but at Christmas He is as lovable as a babe cradled in his mother's arms.

Rev. G. W. Goth (Westmount Park Church)

"And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

Christianity is the gospel of revolution. It is revolutionary in that the dynamic of the new wine set at naught the values and standards of society. Modern man, since the Renaissance, has allowed the standards of the market place to take precedence over the lowly manger. We have given our pearls and our gifts to Mars and Midas rather than to the Babe of Bethlehem. Our society has been organized to protect the interests of the trong. This means that very often "there is no room in the inn" for the weak and disinherited. Consequently, they are sent to the stable. They are given the crumbs in the form of charity from the tables of those who have enough and to spare.

The Christ Child, whose birthday we celebrate once more, had very few material achievements to his credit. We, on the contrary, take no mean pride in our culture, our patriotism and our achievements. This same Christ associated himself with publicans and sinners, with those who existed on the fringe of that ancient society. He spoke of pride in scathing terms as the greatest barrier between God and man. The beatitudes of Jesus teach that pride defeats itself. That finally the "meek will inherit the earth". St. Paul, the mightiest of Christians, in one astounding revolutionary utterance, said, "For you see your calling brethren, how that not many wise men, after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called." What then, is the challenge of the Christ to us on the anniversary of his birth? It isn't enough to be captured by the beauty of Christmas. It isn't enough to sit about our fireplaces, enriched by the glow of the Christmas spirit, whilst outside the blasts are furious and cruel. Christmas has no meaning unless we possess the spirit of Christ. He was humble. He was eager to receive all on the basis of their worth as human beings rather than from the perspective of colour, race, class or position. Are we? This is the test of a genuine faith. Christ found the greatest loyalty to his gospel amongst the lowly people, and he drew his illustrations from the life of these people—the fisherman, the sower, the shepherd. This means that those who were poor in worldly possessions were more sensitive to the creative ideas of a new era than the wise, the mighty and the noble. There is a warning for us here. We would be well advised to listen to the plea of the weak as well as the defense of the strong. And society which has no room for the little man is not in accord with the mind of Christ. Let us at this Christmas time, resolve that there must be room for all in the inn. God grant that this may be the Christmas of the open heart, so that all may share in the common heritage of man.

Rev. Frank S.Morley (Stanley Presbyterian Church)

Amid the cattle and the corn, the Christ-Child was born into this world of bitterness and beauty two thousand years ago. His life was a lonely way: the hardness of man's heart refused Him shelter; the sword of Herod shadowed Him; the brutality of our sin tortured and crucified Him.

"Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people", said your God. For your soul's redemption the Child of the Highest was born and suffered and died. The breast of the world is ploughed with the deep red furrows of sorrow. The sob of man's heaviness and woe beats like an ocean's winter wave upon His heart. Yet He came to take away the world's distress. On the sick he laid hands of healing; to the starving He gave bread; to the sinful He offered forgiveness; to the dead He promised life. Hear His voice, "Through Me only shall the world have peace again". Here is your King of Kings who wore no earthly crown; here is your Prince of Peace. The night of pain will pass. Christ's Day will dawn at last out of the travail and the strife. In the sunshine of faith and hope listen to the choirs of Paradise singing in eternal praise:

Almight God whose will creation sways,
Father in Heaven, whose love girds our days,
Thy Blessed Son our flesh hath sanctified,
And to redeem us He Himself hath died.
Turn to His cradle now the hearts of men;
Let love and laughter dwell with us again;
O Lord of pity in Thy wondrous grace,
We see our heaven in the glory of Thy face.
Praise be to God!

May you have happiness this Christmas day and through the New Year.

REV. SYDNEHAM B. LINDSAY (Church of the Advent)
Builders of a New and Better World

We are all longing for a new and better world. The building of this new world really commenced 1900 years ago, with the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. But it has made slow progress, because so many of us have tried to build apart from Him. Building apart from Him is doomed to failure, because He is the Foundation Stone, upon Whom alone the building can rest secure. The Bible says, that Christ is the "chief corner stone, elect, precious," and then the Bible makes the tragic comment, that He was "rejected of men" (1 Peter 4 and 6).

If we men will stop rejecting Christ, and accept Him as the only Saviour of the World, then we shall have taken an essential step in building the new world. Our personal life must be built on Him, and our home life, and our business life, and our political life. The whole of human life, to be secure must rest on Him.

There can be no better way of keeping Christmas than for us to give ourselves to Jesus Christ, and with His help and inspiration to place ourselves at the service of our fellow men everywhere; in this way alone shall we become builders together of a beautiful new world.

Rev. T. W. Jones (Calvary Church)

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS

The word Christmas is one of the most inclusive words in our language. How many things come into mind as we use the word. Special services in the churches; homecoming for those who are away; generous care for those who are in need; the giving of gifts as tokens of loving friendship; holidays; house parties—yes and a score of other special features in keeping with the spirit of this heart-warming word. Why? What is the secret of power in this word? As every one knows it is easier to secure a generous, even sacrificial response from men and women at Christmastime than at any other season of the year. Whether we use the actual words or not, or even think of the person who first used them, we all agree with what the nephew of Old Scrooge expressed in the words, "I have always thought of Christmas as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and therefore I says, God bless it." Again one asks, Why?

I believe the answer is found in the beautiful words written by Christian Rossetti—

"Love came down at Christmas;
Love all lovely, love divine,
Love was born at Christmas
Star and Angels gave the sign."

In those words I believe we come near to the very heart of Christmas, for it was at the first Christmas that God's love came into human life in richest, fullest measure in the "Babe of Bethlehem". If we would know by blessed experience the full joy of the Christmas season, we must open our hearts to that Divine Love by accepting as "Our Friend, our Brother and our Lord" that same Jesus who was born in a stable in Bethlehem long ago but now knocks at our heart's door and longs to enter in.

And when He enters in, what then? Ah, then, the miracle of love will be wrought again, for when He enters the human heart, He constrains the one in whose heart and life He dwells, to give expression to that "Love Divine" in deeds of kindly, sympathetic service for others.

"The love of Christ constraineth us", the Apostle Paul wrote long ago. That never-ending love is still impelling men and women to go in and out among their fellow men, sharing their sorrows, bearing their burdens, filling life with joy and uplifting comradeship, and that is the very heart of the Christmas festival.

REV. CANON GILBERT OLIVER (St. Matthias' Church)

Even in the midst of the sorrow and bitterness of war the Christmas message of "Peace amongst men of Good Will" rings out clearly and brings new hope and encouragement to all who will listen and heed. Peace is the greatest gift mankind can have for it is only when peace reigns in the hearts of men and in the councils of nations, that any real progress can be made. Peace is not a static condition, it is rather an atmosphere where really worthwhile things happen. Good will—the **will** to do good—as opposed to the will to do evil. Here again there is a distinctly positive suggestion—something to do, not just simply wishing and hoping, not just being piously sentimental and emotional, but really doing something.

Good will is God's will, and when we say: "Thy will be done", we are acknowledging that God really has a plan for the world—the eternal plan—and if we read history aright, we shall realize that this is the meaning of the passage in Holy Scripture: "When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His Son". The coming of Christ as Saviour of the World was in accordance with the plan of God. There was nothing haphazard about it. Jesus came into a world where there was a great deal of moral corruption vice and cruelty. Evil was rampant, and it was to such a world as this that the good news of a Saviour came. Our acceptance of Christ as our personal Saviour and as the Saviour of the world is the only response we can give as Christian people to the Christmas message. Good will depends so much upon this personal attitude towards Christ, and when men and women have found room for Christ, for His Gospel and teaching, then will Good Will really come into the world. When it does come into the hearts and minds of men, it will be manifest by our attitude towards each other. There will be a real attempt to understand each other and the hatred and animosity between individuals and races will be abated.

It is the privilege and duty of every Christian to work towards this end, so that good will may become not merely a pious wish but a strong reality.

Many of our loved ones will be absent from us again this Christmastide, but we shall feel very close to them in spirit as we worship at the altar on Christmas Day. We shall be thinking of them and they will have us very much in their thoughts. Let us hope and pray that next Christmas may see the end of a greater part of the hostilities in which we are now engaged.

Every good wish for a holy and happy Christmas to all your readers and to all their loved ones wherever they may be, and sincere prayers for a brighter and happier New Year.

REV. WILLIAM ORR MULLIGAN (Melville Presbyterian Church)

For some people this will not be a glad Christmas because of loneliness and sorrow. Others will find this season one of happiness and joy because they have not suffered in anyway. But already changes have begun which are causing anxiety about the immediate future. We have been warned repeatedly by our leaders that great sacrifices must be made before we have Victory and Peace. The number and variety of strikes at home indicate a harmful spirit at work in our Canadian life. Consideration of these facts should make us realize surely more than ever that the Christian Message of "Peace On Earth and Goodwill Among Men," is the better ideal than the present state of the world due to other ideals. It is the privilege and duty of Christian Churches to strive more earnestly than ever to make the Christian Ideal a more widespread reality.

An intriguing character is the western woman who had her first permanent at the age of 101 years. Oh, lucky sex which at that time of life still has something permanent to have a permanent in.

NOVEL TWIST

Unusual set for "You Can't Ration Love" is the Co-eds' Canteen where the colleges' few remaining male students wait on and entertain the girls on the war-time college campus, which reverses the new army custom.

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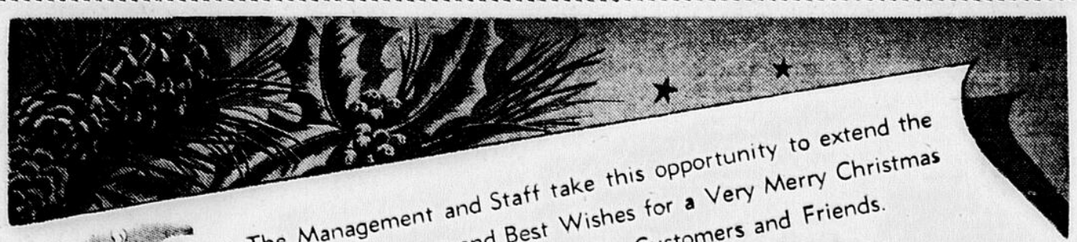

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The Challenge Of Christmas

By Nellie McClung

By NELLIE L. McCLUNG

Christmas, more than any day of the year, has had a definite pattern in our minds, made up of white parcels tied with red satin bows, crimson and silver streamers, holly-bells, candles, sparklers, an over-loaded mail-man coming late, telegrams, visitors, great meals, pyramiding to a grand climax on Christmas night, and then a sigh of relief and a "Thank God that is over for another year" as we gather up the cards, the discarded wrappings, take down the decorations, and settle back to normal living.

In spite of the hurry and the fatigue of Christmas it is a happy time and we tell each other that we must never let Christmas change. We must keep the snowy cards, the fireside scenes, and all the good old customs. But this year everything has changed. All the old patterns are breaking. When Mr. Churchill said, "There can be no cessation of hostilities on Christmas Day," we knew he was right, for this is a life or death struggle—Britain, our Britain, is either Hitler's greatest victim, or the stronghold of liberty, the world's White Hope of Freedom. There can be no compromise.

Christmas is the sign and symbol of our dearest possession, the Christian ideal, the decent way of life. It is not by chance that so many churches have been destroyed by the Nazis—they know that there is some connection between these glittering spires pointing heavenward and the sturdy resistance of the British people.

All their lives Canadian people have been doing many gracious, kindly acts, especially at Christmas time. There always have been dinners and drives and concerts for strangers, dolls and balls and little wagons for orphans; flowers and comforts for the old and the sick; hospitality in homes for neighbours and friends; laughter, music, good fellowship, even the singing of hymns and good conversation, as people recall the rosy days of youth. All of which is good for the soul and as the immortal author of Pickwick would say, "Our kind hearts have done us credit."

But these things are wholly inadequate at this momentous time when mankind is being weighed in the balance, which tips drunkenly this way and that. Man is young really as God measures time, and his growth is slow, but even the dullest of us know now that we are making a move. We are like the electric clocks where the minute hand remains stationary until the end of the minute and then goes forward.

God knew what he was doing when He gave man free will. He knew it would make trouble and that the world would be harder to run than a menagerie, but being all wise and all powerful He knew that all would come right in the end. He must have known this, and that is a comforting thought. It is comforting too in these hard days to remind ourselves that God has taken great pains to make the world a beautiful place. We see that when a snowflake falls on our coat sleeve and we observe its delicate symmetry. We see it in the way the seeds of a flower are packed in their little pods. We see the touch of artistry when we examine the head of wheat, with each grain as neat as a baby's fingernail.

The thought of God's infinite care comes to me as I look out on this boisterous December day, with the cold rain streaking the windows and a crying wind coming down the chimney. The fire of arbutus roots burns green and blue, rose and gold, in a prodigality of colour. It finds comfort too in the winter jasmine on the verandah, which even now is a mass of golden stars, a little bridge from autumn to spring across the cold expanse of winter. God shows in a thousand ways that he is mindful of us.

But on Christmas Day He challenges us, and never so clearly as in this year of 1943.

When Christ was born in Bethlehem, there came into the world a life destined to change the world. We read in the Gospel story that there was no room for Joseph and Mary in the Inn, and no preparation for the coming of the Child. The world was not ready for Him and never has been ready, unless it is now when everything else is failing and all the old securities are going. All down the years evolution has been at work, and evolution does not exclude God. Far from it. It is just the way God works, little by little, and with infinite patience.

I believe the challenge of today is in the need of courage. Britain is an example of courage in the face of danger, because she has courageous leaders we say, and that is true. But leaders must have followers. The courage of Britain is the courage of the humble people. The women who take their turn in the look-outs, though the night is bitter cold; the sailors who go out to sea, braving the danger of shipwreck by mines and bombings from the skies. Everyone in Britain seems to have received the baptism of a great courage and a great generosity of heart. They give all they have, cheerfully, gallantly, without self pity or resentment.

If we could catch this vision, we who sleep soundly in our beds, we could build a country here in Canada on a foundation of justice and equality, that would show the nations of the world that we have found the secret of victorious living.

I have no doubt that the Canadian people would put up as stiff a defence as the people of Britain, if we were put on the spot. What we need now is the imagination to see that we are on the spot. But not being actually in the battle zone we have an added responsibility and a privilege which the people of Britain are denied. We must think about and work for the sort of world which will bring peace. It is folly to urge the Prime Minister of England to set forth his peace aims. When a man's house is burning is a poor time to ask him what sort of a new one he intends to build.

But we have time to plan for a new world, and must ask ourselves as we look around us how far are we willing to go in sacrifice to bring back hope and faith and joy to a world that has gone mad with hate. God has to work through human beings like you and me. Christ left His commission to His disciples, and they were a group of ordinary men, much like ourselves, looking for favours, soft seats, "commissions,"—a bit dull and quite a bit greedy. But they received a gift — a great gift which transformed them into extraordinary men who knew no fear. When this new power, the power of God, came into their hearts, they established the Church of Christ in an unfriendly and unbelieving world. It cost them their lives, but they did it. Without money or influence, radio or cars, they spread the gospel. And they wrote a book which still outsells any other book. Ordinary men, with the Grace of God in their hearts! It is well for us at Christmas time to think of these things, for in them lies the solution of our troubles, the only permanent solution.

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Plenty Of Fruit Is Available Here For Yuletide Table

Nut cracker music will be less in evidence at Christmas festivities this year than in previous years, according to officials of the Canadian National Railways' freight department, in discussing a possible shortage in walnuts, Brazils, pecans and other favourite brands of the nut family, so much a part of the holiday scene. "The nearest thing to nut-cracker music we will hear is the suite of that name by Tchaikowski, and that only on the radio," one official commented.

Citrus fruits are something else again, the wholesalers say. Californian navel oranges have commenced coming with carloads expected at the Montreal Fruit and Produce Terminal next week, with a regular flow thereafter. Tangerines, called the kid-glove orange by the trade, have also commenced to arrive over Canadian National lines. They are popular as a holiday fruit.

Christmas punch, while lacking this year, possibly, in some essentials, will have no shortage of lemon juice. Grapefruit and lemons have been arriving in Montreal in fairly large quantities.

Canadian Spirit Noted In Tot's Homemade Toys

With a typical Canadian wartime spirit, the people of the nation have started to manufacture many of their own Christmas toys.

For instance, in those shops where bits of wood are left from repair work, such lumber remnants can be used for the building of toys. Smoothly sawed of pieces make fine building blocks.

Spools and wooden cigar boxes come in for use as toys, too. The boxes can be made into trains and spools can be used as wheels for them. Spools can even be strung together for beads, or lined up for imitation trains to be drawn along the floor by the baby.

General MacArthur says he is prepared for any duty he is called on to perform down to holding a horse. We prefer to see him continue his work on Tojo's goat.

WESTMOUNT RESIDENT GRADUATES

Pilot Officer Alfred P. Smibert, who has been posted to No. 1 General Reconnaissance School at Summerside, P.E.I., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Smibert, of 4742 The Boulevard, Westmount. He was educated at Lower Canada College and McGill University, graduating from the C.O.T.C. of the latter institution, in which he was musketry instructor. He left McGill to spend a year at the British Embassy in Washington, D.C., returning to the university where he was demonstrator in accountancy to receive his Bachelor of Commerce degree. He joined the R.C.A.F., graduating this year, at Dunnville, Ontario.

Rotarians Donate $7,000 To Hospitals

Presentation of a $7,000 Christmas present to Montreal hospitals was the highlight of the regular weekly meeting of the Westmount Rotary Club at Victoria Hall Wednesday. One cheque for $4,000 went to the Montreal Children's Hospital, which for years has been one of the special interests of the Westmount Rotarians. The cheque was accepted by G. B. Foster, president of the Children's Memorial Hospital.

The second cheque for $3,000 was presented to the Julius Richardson Convalescent Home and accepted on behalf of the Home by S. R. Noble, its president. The presentations were made by F. C. Whitaker, immediate past president of the club.

The donations distributed were part of the proceeds of the carnival staged by the Westmount Rotarians in Westmount Park last September. Cash donations of $300 each have already been made by the club to the Grace Dart Home and St. Justine Hospital and $1,500 allocated to the Westmount Rotary Boys Work Committee for projects among the under-privileged children of the district. The remaining proceeds of the carnival will be used by the club to further other charitable activities.

Independent Art Draw Prize Winners Announced

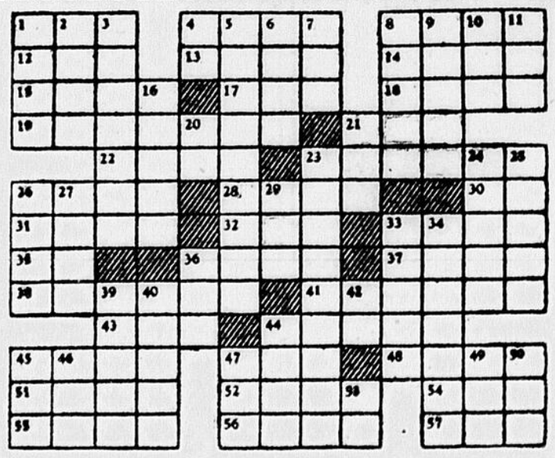
The Independent Art Association Inc., announce the winners of the prizes given in connection with their recent exhibition held in Victoria Hall. To Kathleen Liebich went the association's purchase prize for her water-color of trees; this was drawn for at the closing of the show. The opportunity to win this framed painting was offered free to all persons visiting the exhibition. The holder of the winning catalogue number was Miss A. Muriel Wilson of Elm Avenue.

CHRISTIAN ERA

Calculation of the Christian era is usually credited to Dionysius Exigeus in the Sixth century. However, he was somewhat in error, as it is believed Jesus was born before what was January 1, in A. D. 1. The phrase Anno Domini (year of our Lord), of which A.D. is the abbreviation was believed to have been first used in 1219.

The ownership of private property is necessary to the dignity and freedom of man; let us therefore encourage it and make it secure.—Edward J. Meeman, editor Memphis Press-Scimitar.

Crossword Puzzle



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4 Biblical weed
8 In bed
12 High card
13 Old
14 Woody plant
15 Coin
17 Female ruff
18 Yarn
19 Drilled
21 Aeriform fluid
22 Exact
23 Clergyman
26 Fiber plant
28 Market
30 Artificial language
31 Title of nobility
32 The self
33 Exclamation
35 Indefinite article
36 To break suddenly
37 Long rod
38 To retract
41 Showered
43 One, no matter which
44 Heaped
45 Part of harness
47 Pedal digit
48 Accomplished
51 Arabian seaport
52 Singing voice
54 Correlative of neither
55 Chimney carbon
56 Young men
57 Female sheep

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1 Agreement
2 Genus of maples
3 Lawmaker
4 Symbol for tantalum
5 Contract
6 Musical instrument
7 Holland commune
8 Essence of roses
9 Alloy of copper and zinc
10 Lamprey
11 River in Scotland
16 Fatigued
20 Greek letter
21 Ship channel
23 Decorum
24 Pope's scarf
25 Famous
26 Winglike
27 Solitary
29 Turkish title
32 Watched secretly
34 To forgive
36 Vessel's curved planking
39 Gem carved in relief
40 Concerning
42 Indian mulberry
44 Game played on horseback
45 Possesses
46 Fuss
47 Flap
49 At this time
50 Before
53 Bone

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

A SWITCH in TIME

By MADGE ELWOOD

Corporal McNew laid his whiskers on the window sill. It wasn't, he thought, military duty to play the role of Santa Claus at the garrison Christmas party. He couldn't, however, disobey his commanding officer. Nor did he want to after hearing about that vacancy for a corporal at the recruiting office in Kansas City. McNew had been born there, Marianne lived there now and only yesterday he'd heard that Marianne had been seen with a fireman.

The colonel, though, had made his role more difficult. "Er—" he'd drummed on the table with his fingers. "—I want you especially to convince my son. Make him believe that Santa Claus is really magic. My son is—er—fascinated by anything in the electrical line. He's been—er—quite disturbing. I've told him that Santa only gives presents to good boys. If you can encourage his belief, it'd help the regiment and—me."

He'd have to be a perfect Santa Claus, McNew thought. Sonny was very skeptical.

"Hello." Peeping in the window he saw the object of his worries, accompanied by the regimental mascot—Henry, the goat. McNew slipped into a closet. Too late, he remembered his whiskers. The goat, as the regiment had learned, had an appetite. McNew's fears were confirmed when he emerged from the closet. The whiskers were gone, and he heard Sonny giggling, "I bet Santa Claus ain't magic enough to grow more whiskers. I bet he ain't magic at all. Dad doesn't know everything. Say, Henry, I wonder if Santa Claus can see in the dark. I know how to turn off the switch—"

McNew sighed. Soldiers were supposed to be ingenious. McNew remembered some cotton fields nearby.

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The band played a traditional Christmas carol. Corporal McNew stood beside a gaily decorated tree and began to distribute gifts to the children of the regiment. He called out Sonny's name. Then the lights went out.

He took a step backwards as tiny lights gleamed about his whiskers. Fireflies must have made their homes on the abandoned cotton he had plucked. McNew stepped on a package, stumbled and grabbed the tree for support. He caught a branch. Out of the darkness, he heard Sonny's voice: "Yes, Santa, here I am."

"Here—" McNew tried to hand the boy the package containing the electric train. A firefly rested on his whiskers. "Here, Santa Claus carries his own lights, you know."

"Is it magic?" asked Sonny. "And you grew more whiskers—"

McNew stumbled again, reached for support. The branch cracked and broke. Falling, he caught Sonny's hand. "Here!"

The lights went on. Sonny fled

Tiny lights gleamed about his whiskers.

down the steps and McNew saw that the colonel was comforting a weeping boy. A corporal who'd given the colonel's son a switch for a Christmas gift would never be recommended for a recruiting job in his home town.

The annual event at last over, McNew painfully removed the cotton from his chin. His suffering was in vain.

The colonel wanted to see him. McNew hurried. His chin was sore and red, but he managed a salute. "Yes, sir."

"Did you ever act the part of Santa Claus before?"

"No, sir." McNew suppressed a sigh.

"Um—maybe that explains the fireflies and the switch." There was a curious note in the colonel's voice. McNew struggled to explain, but the colonel interrupted: "I hear you want that recruiting job in Kansas City. Under the circumstances, I've decided to recommend you. Sonny wants to visit his grandmother there and you can take care of him on the journey. His grandmother thinks that Sonny is a good boy. I expect you to—er—continue to be resourceful."

"Yes, sir." But McNew sighed. He wondered if snow could be used to advantage by a resourceful soldier in charge of an equally ingenious boy.

Christmas Is The Season Of Light The Symbol Of Joy and Peace

Candles in the Window Are A Glad Welcome To the New-born King and A Merry Christmas

By NINA LE BOUTILLIER

Candles at Christmas time are a symbol and everyone who sets a candle in the window will have in their hearts a special reason for doing so.

To some, a candle in the window is above all else a symbol of Joy and Peace, and those of us who burn a "Christ Child" candle will place it is a window near a door, for in the language of candles it is "one for adoration and two for celebration."

According to the old legend it is to light the way for the Christ Child if he should be on "earthly visitation," or an "atonement" for the first Christmas night when there was no room in the Inn; and the hope to greet the little Lord Jesus in appropriate manner, if he came again.

But at the heart of it all is the Peace and Joy—a gladsome welcome to the new-born King and a Merry, Merry Christmas and Holiday Season to all who enter the door where we have lighted the Candles.

The language of candles has been amplified and enriched by every generation until as Emerson says, "It belongs to him who can understand it."

It is good to remember too, Dickens Scrooge and the homecoming at the Cratchits and Tiny Tim, and to-day in Canada in many house-holds, Christmas cannot really be said to have come until the candles are lighted and the stockings hung up by the Hearth-Fire. It is the spirit of love and kindness by which these customs are reborn in every household, and family traditions are built out of simple acts of devotion.

We might even give candles to our friends for Christmas with a cheery little note wishing them long life and happiness to him who burns it to the socket on Christmas Eve. This would appeal to friends of any age or circumstance.

Village children in Lancaster, we are told, used to present candles to their school-masters on the last day of the term before Christmas and in some rural parts of England Carol Singers sang Carols as long as the candles which they carried burned.

So let us have candles this year for by their magic burning, we may experience the Joy of all the Christmas ever kept. Light up the candles, set them gleaming from gift-laden evergreens and through sparkling window panes, who knows you may light hundreds of lonely passers-by.

In the olden days the ancients regarded light as a great blessing and the very first use of candles for Christmas is recorded about the year 521 A. D. when the halls of good King Arthur in York were lighted for the first Christmas Feast. Following his example, the custom became general, Yule-Logs burned and varying with them in size were the wax tapers, symbolic of the Star and Ligth before Christmas altars.

In times past too, candles were a source of superstition to some people, and became a medium of telling fortunes. Life, death, marriage, prosperity, riches, lovers, weather, crops and good-luck were all foretold by shapes from the dripping tallow.

When the candle burned blue, ghosts walked. Evil spirits could be discussed in safety when candles burned on Christmas for then as Shakespeare says:

"No Planets strike
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LOSS OF A LOYAL FRIEND

THE SUDDEN death of Henry Emo came as a terrible shock to his large number of friends and acquaintances, for he was active in business and his other interests right up until the time of his death. Although warned by his physician some weeks ago to take a rest, there was little indication of a serious health condition in Mr. Emo's vigour and enthusiasm, and his friends were little prepared for the tragic news. It was characteristic of him to carry on and say little, to keep his worries to himself.

The late Mr. Emo had a wide experience in business, and was also prominent in service club work, in politics, and in the masonic order. He was a member of Waverley Lodge, A.F. & A.M., an active Conservative, was one of the founders of the Verdun Lions Club, and District Governor of Lions Canadian International. For many years past he was Manager of The Verdun Guardian Publishing Company.

Perhaps Mr. Emo's two outstanding characteristics were loyalty and enthusiasm. No organization ever had a more faithful advocate, nor a more untiring one. He put all his energy and ability into whatever he undertook, whether the matter at hand was the furtherance of business interests or Christmas activities on behalf of underprivileged children. In the words of Mayor Edward Wilson, of Verdun, "He was in every way a wonderfully fine chap, a good husband and father, a splendid citizen, a loyal friend, and a man to stand up at all times on behalf of his convictions, come what may."

We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

WHERE THE TURKEYS ARE

OUR EDITORIAL last week on the dearth of Christmas turkeys on the market has apparently caused some comment, and communications received at the editorial desk explain the lack in many ways. The early season damp weather, holding in cold storage, big exports to the United States, and a score of other reasons are given. To satisfy our curiosity we made some enquiries, and this is what we learned: only a small portion of the Montreal market is supplied from the vicinity of this city, most of our turkeys coming from the west and from Vermont, particularly Vermont. This autumn, the United States government prohibited the export of all turkeys indefinitely, and appropriated the entire U.S. supply for the armed forces. Only recently has a number been released for civilian consumption. Similarly, but not quite to the same extent, Canadian birds have been marked for the Christmas dinners of our airmen, soldiers and sailors; consequently, our supply from the west has been largely dried up. That's where the turkeys have gone.

MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR

AS THE present year draws to a close, we can reflect with thankfulness the improvement in our war position the twelve months have brought. This time last year the Germans were still far into Russia, and although there were promising developments on the Stalingrad front, there was nothing to indicate that in one brief year the armies of Stalin would push the invader to within a few miles of the old Russian frontier — an advance that reaches close to eight hundred miles from the Volga to the farthest point of the German retreat. Similarly, in Africa, Rommel was on the run, but that a year would see him out of Africa entirely and the Allies well on the way to Rome was an opinion that was ventured by nobody. At sea, submarines were taking an alarming toll; today so little success is meeting their efforts that the Germans are believed ready to abandon them in favour of attack on convoys by air. This time last year, the Luftwaffe was still powerful in the skies; today Allied planes rule the air wherever war rages. In the Pacific, too, the position of Japan has deteriorated rapidly, from month to month; today our forces are slowly but surely winning complete mastery. Nowhere has the Axis anything to report of a nature to bolster the sagging morale of their peoples. We, on the other hand, are just getting into our full stride. Yes, the past year has changed the entire war picture. We have much to be thankful for.

MEANING OF XMAS

CHRISTMAS means more to the human race, both to those who accept and those who do not accept the teachings of the Christian religion, than any of the other days of the year. The response to the good-will of the great Galilean has grown until the festival in honour of His birth has become the year's crowning glory. What the mind thinks about the day's historic basis, how it may view the legends grown around its celebrations, is unimportant; the sufficing fact is that Christmas gives needed play to the better impulses of our nature. Christmas typifies the spirit of service and self-sacrifice.

To children, Christmas is the day of the year. The youngsters spend weeks anticipating the joyful prospect; strange hieroglyphics are laboriously penned in trustful missives to "Dere Santy"; and pennies from the little money box counted and recounted in considering the momentous question of a gift for mummy or daddy. The joy and anticipation and the unsophisticated charm of the children seem to infect everybody, so that at Christmas time we all seem to forget our prejudices, selfishness, lack of consideration for others, and other useless faults, and behave toward one another as we ought.

A NOVEL CHRISTMAS TREE

Let the tree itself be a person
Just humb'e like you and me;
Stand it up in some bright corner
Where everyone can see.

Light it up with the hues of the rainbow,
For the smi'es that mean so much
To the friends who need new courage
As their quivering hands you clutch.

Dress it up with the shiniest tinsel
For words of hope and good cheer
You'll impart to some careworn fellow,
Down-trodden with sorrow and fear.

The gifts are the deeds It behooves us
To do, as we tread life's way,
To those just a little less happy
Than we are on Christmas day.

Put a star on top just to lead us
As it led the shepherds of old,
To the light that still is shining
To guide one and all to the fo'd.

May the Star of Christ and Christmas
Inspire in a world of pain,
To peace and goodwill 'twixt nations
And there forever remain.

—E. ANNE POMEROY.

Westmount Baptist

Christmas services will be held morning and evening in Westmount Baptist Church on Sunday. At the morning service Dr. J. A. Johnston will have as his theme: "Shepherd Lads—An Interrupted Vigil! A Verifying Venture! A Vivified Life." The music for the morning will include Prelude "Pastoral Symphony" — Handel: Male Chorus "How Far Is It to Bethlehem — Donovan; Chinese Carol "Stars of Ice"—Fan T'ien-hsiang.

In the evening the church will hold its annual Candle-lit service. The church will be beautifully decorated. The sermon for the evening carries the title: "The Guest-Room and the Unique Guest". At the close there will be an impressive baptismal service.

Westmount Fireside Fellowship follows the evening service in the Assembly Hall. Fascinating stories of the origin of Christmas carols will be told by a group of young people. Members of His Majesty's Forces are especially invited.

Westmount Watch-Night Service will be held the last evening of the year. This is usually a great gathering of young and old who spend the last hours of the Old Year and the first minutes of the New in Christian Fellowship. The Watch-Night Service concludes with a great Circle of Friendship. Refreshments will be served.

Westmount Park

A one-hour Christmas Day service will be held in Westmount Park Church at 11:00 a.m. The choir and congregation will sing the well-known Christmas hymns and the minister will bring a message on the theme "That Day Alone." On this day, which is above every day, can we set aside one hour for them?

The Christmas spirit and emphasis will be carried over to both the Sunday services. The morning sermon will be on "The Aftermath", being a plea to perpetuate the joy and goodness of Christmas all through the year.

There will be no evening service on Sunday. Following the tradition of former years, a Vesper service will be held at 4:15 when the minister will preach a short sermon on Henry Drummond's classic: "The Greatest Thing in the World."

The Red Cross Group will not meet until January 5th.

There will be no mid-week service until January 19th.

Would Increase Bounty
—Lindsay Watchman-Warder

Victoria County Council will petition the Government to increase the bounty of wolves from $25 to $35. "These wolves are doing a lot of damage in the north and they are hard to catch," said Reeve Grant Benson, of Bexley Township.

Education by Mail
—Kamloops (B.C.) Sentinel

Few people realize the extensive and valuable work carried on by the Department of Education through correspondence courses. . . . The department provides public and high school courses . . . and offers technical and vocation courses to anyone.

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 necessariiy those of this newspaper, and it does not accept responsibility for them.

F. J. Fitzpatrick, Supervisor of co-operative activities and credit unions for the Alberta Department of Trade and Industry in a recent article entitled "Co-operation in Alberta," wrote in past as follows:

Co-operation is on the march. More and more producers and consumers in the Province of Alberta are coming to realize that co-operation is the salvation of the ordinary every day man who must work to eat and provide a home for his family.

Reports were received from 178 units showing a total turnover of $58,868,822.63 in 1942 as compared with $36,481,405 in 1941 by 150 units. The membership in 1941 was shown as 89,982 as compared with 120,466 in 1942.

These figures give some idea of the growth of the Co-operative movement in this Province, but do not tell the whole story. Our Co-operative Associations now own over eight million dollars worth of buildings and equipment and stocks of supplies.

The ownership of these properties has been acquired during the past few years by the people most entitled to it, those who by their work and ability produced the products handled by their co-operative associations.

Credit Unions are coming into prominence as the financial arm of co-operation. Their early growth in Alberta was mainly in the cities, but the past few months have seen much greater Credit Union activity in rural areas.

Every district in Alberta should have a Credit Union. All Co-operative Activities need money for expansion. That money is right here in Alberta, mostly lying idle, and could be mobilized in Credit Unions for the financing of many projects. Most individuals need credit at times, and they can provide themselves with that credit through the Credit Union. On August 15th there were 117 Credit Unions in Alberta. At the end of June, 95 then reporting, had 8,000 members with assets of $322,00 and had loaned, to their members, since inception, considerably over one million dollars. We could have one thousand Credit Unions and we could take care of all our credit needs by our own thrift practised the Credit Union way.

Western Farm Leader

A very powerful drive is being organized in North America, the purpose of which is a return after the war to the "free enterprise" system.

It can't succeed, because that sytsem is dead, but the effort to return to the past might bring disaster and chaos in which the demagogues and false prophets of Fascism would find their opportunity.

No one who has given thought and study to the vast transformation which has been wrought in our economic life during the war years by economic planning can imagine that a return to the past is possible. The adaptation of our productive plant to peace time uses will be a big enough job, which would be made impossible of achievement were the word to be given for a mad scramble back to laissez faire—back to the old style free competition.

Planning is inevitable. The only question is, whether the unavoidable planning of our economy shall be carried out by and in the interest of monopolistic enterprise, or in the interest of the great body of ordinary citizens, urban and rural, and in an essentially democratic manner. The first method, we believe, would lead in the direction of Fascism—the second in the direction of a social order in which ordered human freedom could be preserved.

It is largely because we have lived in an economy of scarcity that disputes have arisen in the past as to the division of the claims upon wealth distributed through prices to various classes of the productive community. We have been so concerned as to the division between the productive classes of the scarcity of goods that we have failed to see all the possibilities of an economy of abundance. Having failed to see this possibility, we have not insisted as eagerly as we might upon its attainment.

In a planned economy producing abundance, it will still be necessary for farmers, for example, to press through organized action for their rightful share in the "national income"; but the truth is that the standards of living of all can be raised (those of some classes more than others to ensure equity) without those of any large body of productive people being depressed."

Western Farm Leader of Calgary

"Even where (in the past) partial attempts were made in the international wheat pool and the coffee valorization schemes to provide for world organization through governments, these schemes failed because they bore no relation to an over-all world pattern. The essential fact about the instability of the world in the years after 1918 was that because the unbalance was world-wide, only over-all world-wide action could bring any part of it into balance again".—Michael Straight discussing world organization in "Make This the Last War".

Democratic Dynamism

"A democratic dynamism will involve the use of many means which we are asked to call 'totalitarian' and thus to surrender to the dictators—planning, military might, executive power, an administrative elite—but which are as compatible with democracy as with totalitarianism."—Max Lerner.

Dominion Douglas

Christmas services will be held in Dominion-Douglas Church next Sunday and the minister, Dr. Lloyd Smith will preach at both services. In the morning his topic will be "Once in Royal David's City". The choir will render special Christmas music.

The church school will meet at 3.00 p.m., the junior and intermediate and senior departments combining for an Open Session.

In the evening the church will be lit with candles and the service will consist largely of the singing of Christmas carols, in the more familiar of which the congregation will be asked to join. Dr. Lloyd Smith will speak on "Christmas and Carols".

Regular week day activities are withdrawn for this week.

The Frances Willard W.C.T.U. will meet in Dominion-Douglas Church hall, Wednesday, Dec. 29th and Dr. Lloyd Smith will give a New Year's message.

Calvary Church

Special Christmas services will be held in Calvary United Church on Sunday, December 26th. The minister, Capt. the Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., D.D., will conduct the services of worship and deliver the sermons both morning and evening.

The church school will meet for special Christmas exercises at 10 a.m. The preaching service at 11 o'clock will be preceded by Carol singing in the foyer of the church by the choir under the direction of the organist, Mr. A. J. Binnie, at 10.45 a.m. "Carol in the Sky" will be the theme of the sermon at this service, which will be featured by the singing of many of the well-known and greatly loved carols of the Christmas Festival.

The theme of the evening sermon will be "Who is This Jesus?" This theme, and also the service of worship, will be illustrated with coloured slides shown upon the screen. In this service both the Christmas festival and the fact that this will be the last Sunday service of the year 1943, will be kept clearly in mind, and the message of the illustrated sermon will deal with this two-fold aspect. All are invited to share these inspiring, challenging services.

There is no better way to give thanks for Christmastide, or to fittingly close the year, than to participate in services of worship in the church.

A special showing of moving picture films on behalf of the Minesweepers' Auxiliary Fund, will be given in the church hall on Wednesday, December 29th at 8 p.m. All are invited to support this worthy cause.

Watch Night service will be held in Calvary church on Friday, December 31st at 11.15 p.m.

New Year services will be held on Sunday, January 2nd, with the Communion of The Lord's Supper at the morning service.

St. Luke's Church

At the morning service next Sunday, December 26th, the topic will be "Wonder, Love and Joy". Both the Sunday school and the regular evening service is being replaced this Sunday by a unique Twilight Service of Candle Lighting and Carol singing. A special program of music has been prepared for this occasion and the whole congregation will join in the solemnly beautiful ritual of lighting the candles.

With so many lads in the service, girls are clinging to their youth—whether he's good-looking or not.—Kingston Whig-Standard.

The words which keep people busy for hours deciding which Christmas card to buy are written by greeting card experts who know all about all kinds of sentiment. This year the industry which makes the cards is appealing to every Canadian to attach a War Savings Stamp to each Christmas card.

Westmount Baptist Church

Sherbrooke St W & Roslyn Ave
Rev. J. A. Johnston, D.D., Minister
Organist & Choirmaster:
Hibbert Troop

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
GLORIOUS MUSIC
BY THE CHOIR.
11.00 a.m.
"SHEPHERD LADS."
An Interrupted Vigil! A Verifying Venture! A Vivified Life!
CHRISTMAS CANDLE-LIT SERVICE
7.30 p.m.
"THE GUEST-ROOM AND THE UNIQUE GUEST."
Impressive Baptismal Service.
WESTMOUNT FIRESIDE FELLOWSHIP.
Fascinating Story of the Origin of Christmas Carols Told by a Group of Young People.
WESTMOUNT WATCH-NIGHT SERVICE
A Grand Gathering
Last Night of the Year 10 p.m. to 12.
Concluding with Circle of Friendship.

Westmount Park Church

(Cor. Lansdowne & Western Aves.)

Minister:
Rev. George W. Goth, B.A., B.D.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26th

11.00 a.m. Christmas Service of Song and Worship.
Theme: "The Aftermath."
4.15 p.m. Vesper Service.
Theme: "The Greatest Thing in the World."
Henry Drummond.

J. C. Scott, L.R.S.M., Choir Director
Mrs. S. C. Burgess, Organist
A One-hour Service will be held on Christmas Day at 11.00 a.m.

DOMINION-DOUGLAS CHURCH

Westmount Blvd.,
corner Lansdowne Avenue

Minister:
Rev. A. Lloyd Smith, M.A., D.D.
Student Assistant:
Mr. R. J. D. Morris, B.A.

11.00 a.m. The Minister.
"Once in Royal David City."
3.00 p.m. Church School.
7.30 p.m. Candle Light and Carol Service.
"Christmas and Carols."
J. M. Walkley, Organist

Stanley Presbyterian Church

Westmount and Victoria Avenues

Minister:
The Rev. Frank S. Morley, B.D., Ph.D. (Edin.)
Walter S. Clapperton, A.R.C.M., Organist & Choir Director

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26th

11.00 a.m. Morning Worship.
"A Christmas Meditation."
11.30 a.m. Sunday School.
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship.
"How Can We Be Sure?"

Melville Presbyterian Church

Melville Ave., Westmount

Minister: Rev. Wm. Orr Mulligan, M.A., LL.B., D.D.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26th
11.00 a.m. "Christmas Perspectives."
11.30 a.m. Sunday School.
7.30 p.m. "Praising God."
Carol Singing by the Choir and Congregation.
Special Christmas Music at both services.
The Rev. Dr. Mulligan will preach.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 1st
New Year's Day Service at 11 a.m.
VISITORS WELCOME.

Postal authorities expect more Christmas cards than ever this year due to the campaign to have people attach War Savings Stamps to their cards.

CALVARY CHURCH

Dorchester St at Greene Ave.
Westmount

Minister: Capt. the Rev. T. W. Jones M.A., D.D.

10.00 a.m. Church School.
10.45 a.m. Carol Singing in Church Foyer.
11.00 a.m. Sermon theme: "Dreaming of a Right Christmas."
7.30 p.m. The worship service and sermon on the theme "Who is this Jesus?" will be illustrated with beautiful coloured slides shown on the screen.
Wednesday, Dec. 29th, 8 p.m. Moving Picture Film in aid of British Minesweepers Auxiliary Fund.
Watch Night Service, Friday, December 31st, 11.00 p.m. Preacher: Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., D.D.
New Year's Services, Jan. 2nd with Communion of the Lord's Supper at the morning service.

St. Andrew's Church Westmount

(Cote St. Antoine Rd., near Argyle Ave.)

Minister: Rev. F. W. Kerr, D.D.
Student-Assistant
Mr. A. Leonard Griffith, B.A.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
11.00 a.m. "Home for Christmas."
7.30 p.m. Full Choral Service, Christmas Anthems, Carols and Hymns.
8.30 p.m. Alpha Omega Society.
Rev. Dr. Kerr at both services

Church of The Advent

"The Little Church on Wood & Western," Westmount

Rev. Sydenham B. Lindsay, Rector
Rev. Clifford Andrews, Assistant Priest

CHRISTMAS EVE
11.30 p.m. Midnight Eucharist.
CHRISTMAS DAY
7.00 a.m., 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion
10.15 a.m. Mattins.
11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist and Procession.
4.30 p.m. Evensong.
SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.15 a.m. Mattins.
11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist and Procession.
4.30 p.m. Evensong.
7.00 p.m. Carol Service of Nine Lessons.

St. Matthias' Church

WESTMOUNT
Corner Church Hill and Cote St. Antoine Road

Rector: Rev. Canon Gilbert Oliver, L. Th., M.C.

CHRISTMAS EVE
11.30 p.m. Holy Communion (Choral) and Carols.
CHRISTMAS DAY
7.00 a.m., 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Choral) and Carols.
Celebrant: The Right Reverend Lennox Williams, D.D.
Preacher: The Rector.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26th
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Carols.
3.00 p.m. Scholars' Service in Church.
7.30 p.m. Evensong and Carols.
TUESDAY IN CHRISTMAS WEEK
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion and War Intercessions.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

Cor. Dorchester St. and Atwater Ave.
Westmount

Rev. A. T. Love, M.A., Rector

CHRISTMAS
Christmas Eve—11.15 p.m. Choral Communion.
Christmas Day—Holy Communion at 6 and 8 a.m.
Choral Communion and sermon 11 a.m.
SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
7.30 p.m. Carol Service.

St. Luke's United Church

DECARIE BOULEVARD
(Just above Sherbrooke Street)
Minister: Rev. R. E. Spencer, M.A., B.D.
CHRISTMAS SERVICES
11 a.m. "Wonder, Love and Joy."
4 p.m. A Twilight Service.
of
Candle Lighting and Carols.
Christmas music by the choir under the direction of Alex McPherson

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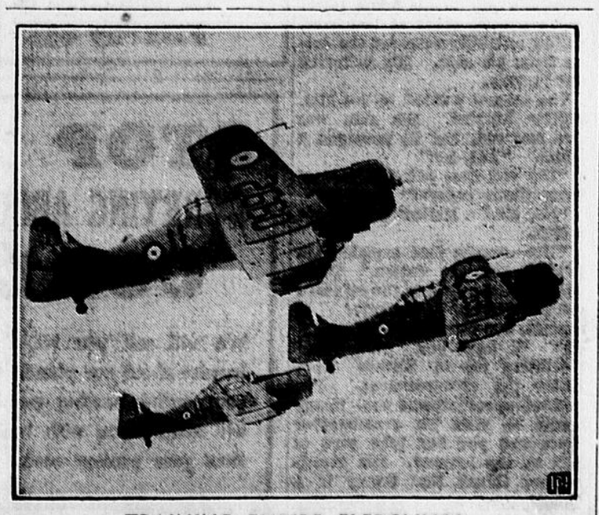

TRAINING EMPIRE FLEDGLINGS

Wing tip to wing tip three North American Harvard trainers zoom into the clear Canadian winter sky. The pilots at the controls of these planes are studying advanced military flying at a Service Flying Training School of the R.C.A.F. at London, Ontario. These planes, equipped with retractable landing gear and capable of a speed of 200 miles an hour, are now manufactured in Canada.

War Savings Stamps Make Ideal Christmas Gifts!

Hollywood Gossip

NEWS OF THE THEATRE WORLD

Theatrical Attractions

AT WESTMOUNT THEATRE

With all the nerve-shattering tension of an unexploded time-bomb, "They Came To Blow Up America" ticked off some 80 minutes of dynamic excitement to a suspense-filled audience when the film opened yesterday at the Westmount United Theatre.

Produced by 20th Century-Fox and starring George Sanders, the film tells the gripping story behind a cold-blooded attempt to land Nazi saboteurs in America. Even more exciting than the newspaper headlines that first told a startled nation of a parallel audacious Nazi plot last summer, the picture proves that truth is not only stranger than fiction but packs a wallop never attained by the manufactured.

Opening at a point in the actual story that brought a sigh of mingled relief and justifiable satisfaction to all America—execution of the eight saboteurs — the film, via effective use of the flashback method, tells a gripping story of German cunning and treachery—and superb American counter-espionage.

George Sanders plays the role of a government agent posing as a German-American fundist who returns to the "Fatherland" on forged papers for an advance course in Nazi sabotage.

Once inside Germany Sanders runs a gamut of spine-tingling encounters with the Gestapo. He meets and falls in lov with a young girl, played by Poldy Dur, a worker for the underground. To protect his own mission and divert suspicion from himself he is forced to expose the girl's activities but later manages to rescue her from certain death in a concentration camp.

Adding to the picture's continuous suspense, Sanders is confronted by the wife of the man whose identity he has borrowed. By quick thinking he manages to overcome this obstacle and have her confined to a Nazi insane asylum. Anna Sten plays the role of the German frau whose shrewish tactics play right into Sanders' plans.

The strange submarine trip, the silent landing on Long Island and the surprise interception by a lone Coast Guardsman add to the exciting note of the picture.

Edward Ludwig has kept the film moving swiftly, working from a screen play by Aubrey Wisberg which is based on an original story by Michel Jacoby. Lee Marcus produced the film.

STARTS FRIDAY AT THE MONKLAND!

Red Skelton and Lucille Ball in a scene from the Technicolor production "Du Barry Was A Lady," which opens at the Monkland United Theatre on Friday playing until Monday night.

AT THE YORK SATURDAY!

48 headline personalities of screen, stage and radio, who play host to thousands of servicemen of the United Nations at New York's famous entertainment center, are to be seen in support of stars Cheryl Walker and William Terry in "Stage Door Canteen." The film opens at the York United Theatre on Saturday playing until Tuesday night.

At York Theatre

Howard Hawks, who began his career in motion pictures as an assistant property man in 1918, then turned to screen writing and later to directing, is making his bow as a producer.

This new phase of Hawks' arresting career commences with Universal's "Corvette K-225," screen saga of the Royal Canadian Navy in action in the North Atlantic convoy lanes. The pictures is now at the York United Theatre. Randolph Scott is starred.

Hawks' move from the role of director to that of a full-fledged producer marks a new milestone, both for him and the movie industry.

It was Hawks' daring in breaking away from traditional ways of making motion pictures, which brought unprecedented success to his prior productions.

Motion picture critics and executives alike were not long in taking notice of Hawks when he first evidenced his initiative. "The magic touch of Hawks" has been a complimentary description used in connection with his productions. They often were called "super pictures."

Memorable Successes

Among them were "The Road to Glory," "The Dawn Patrol," "Scarface," "Ceiling Zero," "Barbary Coast," "Sergeant York," "Ball of Fire" and "Air Force."

Now, as a producer, Hawks brings to the public another "surprise package" in "Corvette K-225."

Richard Rosson, who had worked with Hawks on many of the previous productions, and who is rated as one of Hollywood's great action background directors, took over the reins as director for "Corvette K-225."

Hawks' cardinal rule is simplicity in telling a screen story.

Seen in the imposing supporting cast are James Brown, Noah Beery, Jr., Barry Fitzgerald, Andy Devine, Fuzzy Knight and Richard Lane. Ella Raines, attractive movie newcomer, has the leading feminine role.

AUDIENCE RECORD

The National Barn Dance radio show which Paramount is bringing to the screen in the picture "National Barn Dance" holds a record of having been witnessed by 1,185,000 people during the last 10 years. Jean Heather and Charles Quigley head the Hollywood cast of the film and have the romantic leads.

Christmas Gifts For Soldier Boys

Are you wondering what to send to your friends and members of your family who are serving with the armed forces? A lot depends on where they are stationed. But there are some things all service meen want, and here they are:

House slippers, Tooth brushes, Wrist watches, Tooth paste, Handkerchiefs, Sewing kits, Pocket knives, Clothes brushes, Scrap books, Metal polish, Tan shoe polish, Fountain pens, Nail files, Postage stamps, Soap, Lighters.

RISE'S SECOND FILM

Rise Stevens, leading mezzo-soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company, makes her second film appearance in Paramount's "Going My Way," opposite Bing Crosby. Her film debut was made opposite Nelson Eddy in "The Chocolate Soldier."

STRONG DRAMA

Franchot Tone, once leading portrayer of light, flippant screen roles, now goes in for heavy drama. His latest emotional role is in Paramount's "The Hour Before the Dawn."

SOLO STAR

After four years of co-starring with from one to six other stars, Eddie Bracken becomes a solo star of a picture for the first time in Paramount's "Hail the Conquering Hero."

A TRUANT OFFICER

Ken McAuley, sensational young goaler of the New York Rangers, of the National Hockey League, is a truant officer in his home-town of Edmonton, Alberta.

AGE HER SPECIALTY

Beulah Bondi, who plays a seventy-year-old lady in Mark Sandrich's "I Love a Soldier," is a youngish actress who has specialized in old lady roles for her entire career.

MEAGER MEAL

Susan Hayward, starred in Paramount's "And Now Tomorrow" with Loretta Young, once existed on a diet of shredded wheat without milk while trying to crash motion pictures.

Oldtimers Are Coming Back

HOLLYWOOD. — The oldtimers are coming back. Snub Pollard was given a part in "Riding High," Paramount's super western musical comedy starring Dorothy Lamour, Dick Powell and Victor Moore. And this was the first time the former king of comics has worked on a major lot in four years.

He had become so discouraged trying to break the fetters that bind a guy who has once slipped from glory in this town that he decided to return to Australia several years ago . . . he was born in Melbourne . . . where he had an offer to make series of comedies. The war stopped the deal.

BROADWAY PLANS

Cornelia Otis Skinner, co-author of "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," which Paramount is filming with Diana Lynn and Gail Russell, is preparing to star in a new Broadway show based on England's Queen Elizabeth and Lord Leicester.

HORSES, HORSES

Jack Haley, who plays a comic vaudeville horse in Paramount's "Take It Big," the Pine-Thomas musical, really got interested in horses during the filming of the picture. He purchased two sturdy work horses for his new ranch near Escondido, Calif.

They Are Almost Human As Science Steps In

Even in the doll world, science has come through with its help.

It has perfected an "almost human" doll whose heart beat can be distinguished by means of the stethoscope that is furnished with the doll's layette. So now little Janey, if she becomes worried about the condition of her "little baby's" health—even though its cheeks are rosy—need but put the stethoscope to use. The health, of course, all depends on Janey's decision.

There are today, even little doll-babies that eat from a spoon, make use of a nursery bottle like any little veteran of the crib, and even blow bubbles. Why, if Janey wants them to, they'll even walk along with her, provided, of course, she holds at least one hand. You will note, too, when Janey and her little doll do go out for a walk, the doll walks much more gracefully than ever before.

Little Janey will also notice that this year reaches a new high in smart clothing for her doll. The right style wardrobes and even accessories for all occasions have been designed.

Miss Janey is going to have a fine time with her new, modern doll this Christmas.

NAME CHANGE

Loretta Young, co-starring with Alan Ladd in Paramount's "And Now Tomorrow," received her screen name from Colleen Moore, silent movie favorite, when it was decided that her real monicker, Gretchen Young, was too quaint for possible Hollywood fame.

FAVORITE OF NAVY

Jean Parker's mail from men in the service is especially heavy from the Navy. The star has made two pictures in succession with a Navy background. "Minesweeper" and "The Navy Way," both Pine-Thomas productions for Paramount. Word that the actress is a regular person got around fast among the bluejackets.

Conferences are very useful, because the parties get to know one another as human beings, not as epithets in the papers.—George Bernard Shaw.

Musical Sharps Flats and Naturals

by Frances Goltman

"BROADSIDES" AN OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOM

Times, customs and habits have so changed since the turn of the century that one is almost surprised that the pleasures and spirit of the Yuletide Season have not altered in any way. It is one of the few remaining phases of this dreadful era of supposed advancement in cultured civilization that has kept its happy state of a bygone day. Alas!

There were changes centuries ago and a feature that is forgotten today and perhaps very few know about was the Christmas custom of selling "Broadsides" in the streets. Did you ever hear of a "Broadside"? No! Neither did we until recently. Christmas Carol Broadsides were first sold in the streets in English cities shortly before the festivities began in the fifteenth century and became very popular in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries but after that an act of parliament was passed in England that stopped the sale of carol broadsides. They were single printed sheets usually having two carols with descriptive pictures, quite crude when looked upon from an artistic standpoint. They sold for a penny and always had a tremendous sale. Many authorities believe that these broadsides were the beginning of the Christmas card custom but when the broadsides were discontinued through the parliamentary act carol singing diminished. Being sold in the streets they could be looked upon as a forerunner of the newspaper because on a few of them were little items of importance. In the countrysides, the people kept up the carol singing custom and it is probably through them that many of the carols have been kept as folk lore. This must be so since various carols are associated with different sections of the country.

Very few carol broadsides have remained and those which are still to be seen are in the hands of collectors who are happy in the possession of something rare. It is an interesting fact that most of the books o. carols have been assembled through scholars and folk lore enthusiasts who gathered them from booksellers, also through countryside information. Many of the favourite pictures were reprinted from year to year and some of our most famous carols became traditional through the "broadsides."

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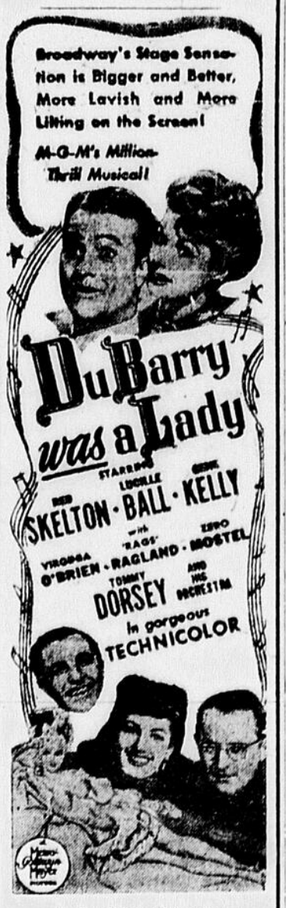

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News and Events of Interest to Women

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Social and Personal

Lt. and Mrs. Donald McRobie will spend the holidays with the former's parents, Col. and Mrs. F. M. McRobie.

Mrs. Edgar H. Fairweather, of Saint John, N.B., is spending the winter with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. H. Wurtele.

Wren Sheila Mappin, who is stationed in Ottawa will spend Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mappin.

Mrs. Alan MacDougall Jones left recently to visit her son-in-law and daughter Lieut. and Mrs. Lester Clayton, in Ottawa.

Mrs. J. W. Brehaut and her small daughter, Heather, of Quebec, are spending the next few weeks with Mrs. Brehaut's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brace were guests at the wedding in Sherbrooke, Que., of Miss Kathleen Elizabeth Hall to Sgt. Pilot Thomas G. Masterson, R.C.A.F.

The "We Want to Help Group" held a Night of Games recently at which they cleared $30, which they have donated to V-Bundles.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Allan, of Kingston, Ont., arrived yesterday to visit Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Chown, during the holiday season.

Miss Elizabeth M. Boyd, of Mount Holyoke College, Mass., arrived yesterday to visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell-Murray, Clarke avenue.

Mrs. Quentin Bovey entertained informally on Tuesday evening in honor of her son, Mr. Christopher Bovey.

Sqdn. Ldr. and Mrs. E. Gerrard MacNutt of Belleville, Ontario, are expected today. They will be the guests of Mrs. MacNutt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Medlar, 125 Arlington avenue, for the holiday season.

Mrs. G. P. Loggie is entertaining informally this evening in honor of her son, Tpr. T. C. Loggie, Canadian Armored Corps, who is home on Christmas leave.

Captain and Mrs. Bernard Panet-Raymond arrived from Vancouver recently, and are visiting the latter's parents, the Hon. Mr. Justice and Mrs. Pierre F. Casgrain.

Miss Elisabeth Abbott arrived home recently from King's Hall Compton, where she is a student, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. Douglas Abbott, K.C., M.P., and Mrs. Abbott.

Mrs. Donald R. Steel with her small daughter, Heather, has arrived from Toronto to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Aird, Stratcheona avenue. Mr. Steel will join them for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Patrick left on Tuesday for Winnipeg, where they will attend the wedding tomorrow, of their son, Lieut. William Forbes Patrick, R.C.N.V.R., to Miss Jane Alleen Whyte. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick will remain in Winnipeg until the day after Christmas.

Miss Elsa May of the Red Cross Tea Room played Santa Claus to V-Bundles of Montreal and District and sent the organization a cheque for $250. This welcome Christmas present is to be applied towards paying the V-Bundles November cleaning bill, which was $477.

The Win-Velt Club held their dance recently. Officers of the navy and army were received by the president, Miss Violet Coderre Fox, assisted by the vice-presidents, the Misses Gwen Roberts and Mary Dick. The dancing and refreshments were in charge of Miss Olive Carlisle assisted by Carol Sexton, Jeanette Fox, Kay Brown and Phyllis Good. Bob Frame's orchestra was in attendance.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. O. Bernier, of Westmount, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Lucille Raymonde, to Mr. Howard MacPerson Brownrigg, B. Eng., (McGill University), only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brownrigg, of Royal Avenue.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Angus A. MacGillivray, of Kirk Hill, Ont., announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Miss Margaret Marian MacGillivray, R.N., to Mr. Charles B. McMullen, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. McMullen, of Albany, N.Y. The marriage will take place quietly on Thursday afternoon, December 30, at St. Andrew's United Church, Rev. W. J. Clark, D.D., uncle of the bridegroom, will officiate.

$1200 NETTED FOR WAR SERVICE FUND BY WESTMOUNT CWL

The Christmas spirit prevailed at the regular monthly meeting of the Westmount Subdivision of the Catholic Women's League held last Friday in St. Leo's School Hall.

It was "Social Service Day" when a silver collection amounting to $36.00 was realized to help supply Christmas baskets to needy families.

The entertainment was given by a group of children from St. Paul's Academy. Judy Marshall played piano selections and recitations were given by Clair Foy, Barbara St. James and Rose Mary Kay. Sheila Ryan danced to an accompaniment on the piano by her mother Mrs. E. Ryan. Mrs. Ryan was also pianist for Neil Culbert of St. Leo's Academy, who sang Christmas carols.

The President, Mrs. J. F. Rogers, presided at the meeting and announced that knitted articles had been sent to the doctors of the 14th Canadian Hospital Unit who had survived a recent torpedoing. Forty-five knitted articles were also given to the men of H. M. C. S. "Westmount," through Mrs. H. Mills president of the Westmount Women's Club. The members unanimously voted in favor of sending $10.00 per month to Rev. Father G. G. Fitzgerald, chaplain at Lachine Manning Pool, to help supply pamphlets and religious articles to the Catholic men stationed there.

In connection with the Play "George Washington Slept Here," presented recently by the subdivision's Drama Group in Loyola Auditorium, the conveners of the various committees gave their reports. The very substantial sum of $1200.00 was netted from this project, which amount will go towards the War Services Fund.

WEDDINGS

BARRY-AUTHER

The marriage took place recently in St. Leo's Church, of Miss Jeanne Auther, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Paul Auther, of Chicago, Ill., to Mr. Charles Lawrence Barry, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick T. Barry, of Renfrew, Ont.

The bride, unattended, was given in marriage by her uncle, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Lussier. She wore a pale blue two-piece suit with a small hat to match.

Acting as best man for Mr. Barry was Mr. H. J. Devereaux.

A small reception followed the ceremony at the residence of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Lussier, on Olivier avenue, Westmount.

LAMB-REDPATH

The marriage of Miss Jean Mary Redpath, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Redpath, to Lieut. Harry A. Lamb, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Lamb, which took place on Saturday, October 9, was solemnized in St. Mary Abbotts Church, Kensington, London, England. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Air Vice Marshall A. L. Paxton, C.B.E., D.F.C., R.A.F.

Attending her was Miss Constance Harrison (Canadian Red Cross Corps) of Saint John, N.B.

The best man was Lieut. Thomas E. Lamb, R.C.A., brother of the bridegroom and ushers were Lieut. William Baird, Canadian Grenadier Guards and Lieut. Allan Doig, 17th D.Y.R.C.H.

SANDERSON-GRAY

The marriage of Rosalind Althea, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Clarence F. A. Gray, to Lt. Neil K. Sanderson, R.C.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sanderson, of Crooked River, Sask., took place on Saturday afternoon, in St. Matthias Church, the Rev. A. T. Love officiating.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white bridal satin, fashioned on moulded lines. Her veil of tulle illusion was arranged with a coronet caught with orange blossoms, and she carried a cascade bouquet of deep pink carnations.

Miss Karen Gray, as maid-of-honor for her sister, and Miss Guinevere Gray, another sister, as bridesmaid, were gowned alike in frocks of ciel blue slipper satin fashioned on medieval lines. They wore matching Mary Queen of Scots hats trimmed with ciel blue ostrich plumes and they carried bouquets of deep pink carnations.

Mr. Clarence F. A. Gray, brother of the bride, acted as best man for Lt. Sanderson, while Mr. Merlyn C. H. Gray, another brother; Capt. Donald Angus and Lt. L. A. Forsyth were the ushers.

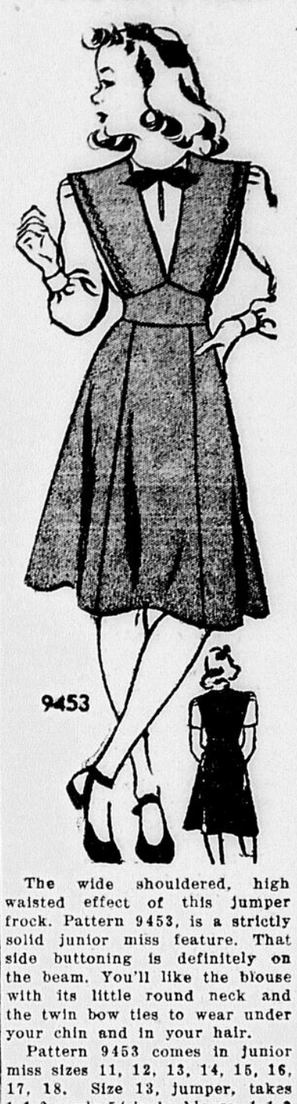
The reception was held at the Mount Stephen club where the bride's table centred with the wedding cake was arranged with candles and roses.

The Club has also promised to supply refreshments to some 200 members of the Armed Forces, on one Sunday in February, when they are entertained at the Art Gallery.

Tea, by candlelight, was served by the committee when Christmas decoration added a gay and festive note to the occasion.

HOME ECONOMICS

YOUNG JUMPER FROCK



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HOME EDUCATION

CHRISTMAS STORIES

M. LOUISE C. HASTINGS

It is almost time to draw our family around us and tell the beautiful old stories about Christmas. There is the beloved Bible story which, of course, unless we can tell it readily, we should be memorizing. Then there are old legends and myths that have grown up through the centuries, which the children will love, and there are those Christmas stories relating the customs of Christmas in other lands and the folklore of the different countries. Many of these, to the children's delight, portray much of the playful side of life. Each kind of story has its own special niche in the daily story hour of the holiday season.

Where can we find stories? Get several good anthologies of Christmas stories from the library, and, too, start a blankbook anthology of your own which you can use over and over, year after year. If one has time to copy some of the stories and poems it will be found quite worth while, but in any case, notations including the name, author, publisher and place where the selection may be obtained will be helpful. In many a children's storybook there will be a chapter on Christmas customs which is often worth noting.

As a background for this story-telling at Christmas time, we mothers need to do quite a little reading in order to freshen our memories so as to hold the interest of our children. Washington Irving's "Sketch Book" will tell about Old English Christmases with their yule logs in the wide fireplaces of old manor houses. Reviewing our "Lady of the Lake", beginning 'Heap on more wood!—the wind is chill," will also get us into the atmosphere of an Old English Christmas. For Christmas in Denmark, read "The Old Town", by Jacob Riis.

You will want to tell your little ones about the Norwegian children putting out grain for the birds, and those of several other countries putting out their shoes instead of hanging up their stockings. A chapter about Dutch children at Christmas will be found in "Hans Brinker", by Mary Mapes Dodge. And then there are the plays for boys and girls called "Christmas Candles" by Elsie Hobart Carter.

In preparation for the Christmas Bible story, let us talk about shepherds. Especially about the shepherds of the Old Testament. To add to our background, because all the background we can acquire will make us much better mothers, we should read the shepherd chapter in "The Syrian Christ", by Abraham M. Rihbany, and re-read that beautiful story, "The Song of Our Syrian Guest".

After the talks about shepherd life in Oriental lands followed by the Story of the Nativity, it would be a natural outcome to help the children to illustrate the theme through a tangible representation of the Scene at the Manger. Some countries across the water do not place the Manger Scene all together at one time. Because the Wise Men did not appear when the Babe was first placed in the manger, they wait until the time arrives, according to the Bible story, and put the Wise Men in the setting then.

An unfailing aid in adding interest to Christmas stories as the children grow older is to have home tableaux, managed by the children with the rest of the family for audience. Sometimes the children like to take the parts themselves, sometimes they like to tell the stories using their dolls as actors or employing cut-outs in shadow portrayals.

We haven't spoken of pictures or music. Copies of the great masters are of course an ever-ready help in making the Christmas theme a reality to each child and both new and old Chirstmas hymns and carols are always a source of inspiration and pleasure. Let us enjoy the beautiful and sing together as much as possible, at this — the most joyful season of the year.

CALVARY UNITED ELECTS OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Women's Association of Calvary United Church was held on December 15th when the following Officers were elected for the year 1944 :—

Past President, Mrs. W. H. Ritchie; President, Mrs. J. Heron; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. C. W. Misener; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. R. E. Gordon; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. N. Stephens; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Ritchie; Treasurer, Mrs. H. D. Caswell; Asst. Treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Hellyer; Devotional, Mrs. F. F. Jamieson; Visiting, Mrs. J. W. Jones; Lookout and Social, Mrs. R. Penk, and Mrs. M. McAuley; Purchasing, Mrs. Arthur Smith; Sewing, Mrs. C. W. Misener and Mrs. D. J. Crierie; and Flowers, Mrs. R. Penk.

Stanley Presbyterian

The annual meeting of Stanley Presbyterian Church W.M.S. Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday, at 3 p.m.

Annual reports will be read and the installation of new officers will take place. Christmas Carols will be sung.

Mexico is becoming chemical-minded. It is now making sulphuric, nitric, and hydrochloric acids, plastics, arsenic compounds and other products.

Frances Willard W.C.T.U.

The monthly meeting of the Frances Willard W.C.T.U. will be held in Dominion Douglas church hall next Wednesday at 3 p.m., when the speaker will be the Rev A. Lloyd Smith, A.M.A., D.D., "A New Year's Message" will be the subject of his talk.

Miss Lois Brown will sing, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Peter, and Miss Ruth Beckstead, L.R.S.M., will render piano solos

The president, Mrs. D. Badian, will occupy the chair, and Mrs. T. A. Wilson will be the Group Leader.

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The WOMAN'S Page

Round Table Chats

This is the time of year for picking up old friendships and hearing news from faraway friends. So this week we give you a letter from Sydney, Australia, telling of the part Australian women are playing in shaping a brave new world. Says the letter :

Women made history in the most recent Australian federal elections. Twenty-three women candidates were nominated—a record—and two of them were elected. A schoolteacher, Miss Dorothy Tangney, endorsed by Labor, became Australia's first woman senator, and Dame Enid Lyons, endorsed by the United Australia Party, widow of a former Prime Minister, the first woman member of the House of Representatives.

A third candidate, Mrs. Jessie M. Street, wife of a Judge of the New South Wales Supreme Court, missed election as a Labor member by the narrowest of margins in a true blue conservative electorate. With this start, women are determined to build greater success.

Senator Tangney has been interested in politics ever since she was 16 years of age. At 15, she saw her father an unemployed engine driver, as the result of a depression then sweeping the world. It fell to the lot of her and a sister—between them they were earning about £2 about $10 a week—to play the major part in the support of the large Tangney family. Conditions under which there was no work available for men anxious to work seemed to her all wrong and she wondered whether the remedy might not be found in politics. The driving force which set her on the road to the Australian Senate was at work.

Serious From Experience

The years which followed were difficult but, by studying at night, she qualified as a schoolteacher and obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree and the Diploma of Education.

"You lose a lot of your fluffy-minted adolescence when you realize how pitiably close your family is to the breadline," she once said, and added : "I didn't have much time for fun but it's been worth it."

Although still in her early thirties she had made two previous attempts to enter Parliament before her success.

Senator Tangney does not believe women elected to Parliament should regard themselves as merely representing women. She herself, she says, must "do a job of work for both men and women."

"I'm glad I'm a woman, but I'm not in this just because I am a woman," she says. "I don't believe women can reform the world but I do believe they can do useful service. I am not a feminist. My idea is that I must try to do a job as well as a man but in co-operation with men—women have no right to a monopoly in anything but must be partners with men all the time. I like the menfolk and find most of them are very reasonable people prepared to listen to a case with an open mind."

No Conflict With Men

Her belief in men may perhaps have been influenced by experience within the Tangney family circle. "I have two brothers, one in the Air Force and the other in New Guinea with the A. I. F. — and then there is Dad. They're three great people," is her summing up.

There is one aspect of life in Australia to which Senator Tangney intends to give special attention—she will keep before Parliament the right of "out back" women to a decent and reasonable livelihood instead of a life of drudgery. This she believes can be achieved by guaranteeing their menfolk an assured income to enable them to give their wives occasional holidays, and some of the conveniences of living.

Another thing she wants is uniformity in education. She considers that in Australia today the Education portfolio is the Cinderella of State Governments, and urges that education should be taken over by the Commonwealth with sufficient elasticity to enable local authorities to deal with details. Hospitalization is another matter in which she is keenly interested.

Letters for this department should be addressed The Editor, the Round Table, c-o The Examiner, 2191 Hampton avenue, N.D.G.

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MARITIME WOMEN'S AUTOGRAPH QUILT NETS SUM OF $164

The Maratime Women's Club held their December Meeting in Tudor Hall (James A. Ogilvy's) on Wednesday evening, December 15th.

Mr. John J. Weatherseed, F.R.C.O., organist and choir director of St. George's Church, entertained the members with a fine selection of Christmas Carols sung by 20 boys from the choir. Mr. Weatherseed played one of his own compositions on the organ as well.

At this meeting the Maritime girls at present attached to the No. 1 Wireless School, Queen Mary Road, were guests, and the management of Ogilvy's Store presented the girls with a Christmas gift apiece. The members each donated money for the White Gift, and a sufficient sum was received to supply the Maritime Regiments in Italy with 10,000 cigarettes.

The Autograph Quilt, which has been completed under the Chairmanship of Mrs. H. V. Armstrong, netted a sum of $164.00. This is being forwarded to the men of the Navy at St. John, New Brunswick, to be used for comforts for these men. The Quilt, which will be forwarded to England by the Red Cross, was on display at the meeting.

Mrs. F. H. Mathewson thanked Mr. Weatherseed for the fine program presented, and Miss D. L. Gass, President, was in the chair.

WELCOME GIFTS TO NEEDLEWOMEN

Because so many more women are knitting, crocheting and embroidering this year than last, stores are featuring as Christmas gifts beautiful needle kits, double-duty knitting bags, handsome sewing boxes and cabinets, stamped pieces to embroider and numerous other needlecraft suggestions.

Knitters will like especially the compact and very complete needle kits in bright-colored leather cases which include as many as five sets of needles, scissors, a crochet hook, yarn needle, knit count and tape measure. For them, too, there are any number of very good-looking knitting bags, such as the large wool-felt fabric bag with a lower zipper section which holds either knitting or a full-sized umbrella.

For the bride who is just learning to sew or the woman who makes most of her children's clothes you'll find both inexpensive little sewing boxes of bright-colored cretonne and de luxe sewing cabinets, which are handsome enough to serve as living-room end tables, and are equipped with dozens of spools of thread and mending cotton, thimble rests, pin cushions and plenty of drawer space.

Needlepoint tapestry squares for chair seats, pillows, book ends and telephone book covers are excellent gift items. One shop is featuring a child's sturdy mahogany finished rocker and needlepoint seat cover printed with a nursery rhyme picture which is all ready for you to work. They also suggest combining several of these tapestry squares for a nursery scatter rug.

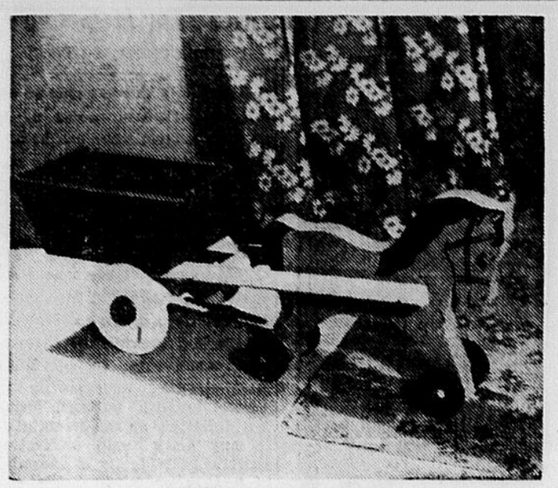
Needlework novices will find the new embroidery patterns featured for Christma. gifts so easy to make. One kitchen ensemble, stamped in a simple but effective gingham stitch, includes a tablecloth, napkins, towels, pot holders and apron. Another for the nursery has a crib cover, pillow slip, child's apron, bibs and nursery pictures.

Hat 'n' Mitten Sets Are Serviceable Gifts

A gift to wear to keep some one warm and happy for way after Christma ! That's the ticket filled by gay hat 'n mitten sets . . . a sure-fire favorite from coast to coast.

These serviceable little twosomes are especially popular this year, when a hand; little cap and warm mitts are practically essentials for marketing and many other outdoor chores. There are dozens of styles . . . tiny "beanies" and peasant caps in gay felts with appliqued trims. Plus the stocking caps with gay tassels, little round "boy" caps, parkas that tie snugly under the chin. And they come in a gala array of colors . . . all with matching mittens. Budget priced at your local stores too !

Lasting only a quarter on an hour, a hailstorm did damage to the value af two million dollars in Dallas, Texas, in May, 1926.



DOBBIN—WAR STYLE

Toys like these are sturdy and attractive and owe nothing to priority metals.

Pretty, Fluffy Gift Shawls Are Sure of a Warm Welcome

Once the pride and joy of grand-mother's wardrobe shawls step out as one of the most fashionable little Christmas gifts of all ! Warm as they are pretty and versatile, they're smart over the bridge table as they are for tea, and particularly wonderful for fuel rationed homes when the temperature drops. The smartest of the new shawls for gift-giving are longer and wider, which adds to their versatility. Brilliantly colorful, they can be worn casually over the shoulders or tucked into your belt for the striking contrast note to dark dresses. And of course, they're wonderful when worn as fascinators with your suits and coats. Tuck the ends in your collar for a smooth ascot effect ! Many of them, particularly the fine lacy mesh shawls can be worn cummerbund-style with your skirts or dresses. Because they are popular, pretty and warm—your local stores have many versions of these shawls in cotton and rayon mixtures, wool and lacy mesh weaves. Of course you can knit them yourself too ! Wearable long after Christmas is over, double check pretty practical shawls for the ladies on your gift list—they're sure to get a warm welcome !

BACK IN FAVOR

Grandma's shawl is in the public eye once more. Make one yourself. These soft and pretty things will be appreciated, for they are simply super in fuel rationed homes. The only catch is—can you capture any wool? If not, you might unravel some old hand-knit garment that has lost its looks.

Dance To Be Given On Saturday Evening For Service Men

The Women's War Services of the Central Y.M.C.A. are giving a Christmas Party and Dance on the night of December 25th. There will be dance prizes, door prizes and refreshments. The party is for men in the Services only, who will be admitted free of charge.

Many business firms have generously given donations towards the party and the hostess girls, Abramawitz, rabbi of Shaar Ha-evening are also responsible in large part for the evening which is being provided primarily so that any Service men who have not been entertained to Christmas dinner by residents of the city may have a jolly finish-up to Christmas Day. Last year about 40 to 50 boys were entertained, boys who lived too far from home to return for the holiday, or who had missed a train, or whose train had come in late.

SWEETIE PIE

Today's child-care experts approve the theory of teaching a child to love its doll or fuzzy bear, and cultivating in it a sense of pride and sympathy that will later be translated into practical understanding of the "good neighbor" policy.

V-BUNDLES ANNOUNCE WINNERS IN DRAWING

V-Bundles of Montreal and District held their Christmas at the headquarters depot on Friday evening, December 17th, and the following is a list of the prize winners:

Ticket No. 382, picture, M. Beck, 5270 Qn. Mary Rd., Apt. 3; 602, picture, Miss I. C. McLennon, Apt. 81, 1509 Sherbrooke St. W.; 1117, baby shawl, L. A. Cormier, c-o Royal Trust Company; 1570, pair of candle sticks, G. McLeod, c-o M. King, 6257 Marquette St.; 1748, sandwich plate, Mrs. A. L. Hay, 4310 Old Orchard Ave.; 2011, turkey (Thrift Stores), M. B. Fennell, St. Maurice Proof Range; 2577, picture, A. Mitchell, 5940 20th St., Rosemount; 2747, jewellery, J. D. Symington, 4601 Kensington Ave.; 3296, jewellery, J. D. Hopkins, c-o Sun Life; 3853, set of towels, Mrs. J. P. Gosselin, Knowlton Inn, Knowlton, Que.; 3993, jewellery, E. Frank, 65 Fairchild Ave., Greenfield Park; 4152, groceries, R. McLaren, Bondville, Que.; 4195, liquor, Mrs. Gwen Carruthers, 6564 3rd Ave., Rosemount; 4259, basket of apples, Wesley Alguire, 848 Charron St., Pt. St. Charles; 4356, groceries, A. Joiner, c-o Gazette; 4469, lady's handbag, Clara L. James, 2054 Mansfield St.; 4766, fruit cake, Mrs. C. King, 63 Finchley Road; 5024, afghan, Helene Lauzier, 4560 St. Catherine Ct., W.; 5143 turkey (Gatehouse), S. Barroweliffe, 4141 Dorchester St., W.; 5380, turkey (A & P.), W. Goodlet, 2875 Young St., Toronto, Ont.; 5881, lady's handbag, Stewart Smith, 52 Union St., Coaticook, P.Q.; 5630, lady's handbag, Duclos Leather Co., 386 Le Moyne St.; 6115 groceries, Mrs. Edith Miller, Peninsula Gaspe; 6940, lady's handbag, Mrs. W. Davidson, 4070 Trafalgar Road; and 7144, lady's quilted dressing gown, Mrs. Pritchard, 118 Dufferin Road.

The Nazis are now being taught the inner meaning of a silly old American song. "Shut the doors, they're coming in the they're coming in the doors.—Boston Globe.

Put Picture Frames On Your Xmas List

Picture frames make precious gifts as fitting settings for service pictures that are taking the place of honor in our homes.

Why not plan to give picture frames this year—perhaps lovely ones in leather, with a monogram for added personal appeal ?

Perhaps you never made gifts of picture frames before, but surely this is the year for thoughtful giving—and a picture frame for a serviceman's picture is a wonderfully friendly gift, this year !

Make monogramming your initial purpose this Christmas.

Many Canadian business organizations plan to attach War Savings Stamps to their customers' Christmas cards this year.

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Those days will come again — soon, we hope. And in the meantime we must all do the best we can. And first among the things we CAN do at this season is to wish one and all

A Very Merry Christmas

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Commencing Wednesday, January 5th, 1944, this store will close at 12 o'clock noon every Wednesday.

This will enable our staff to have a well-earned half-day holiday each week.

All orders placed up to and including Tuesday afternoon will be delivered on Wednesday morning.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank our customers for their patience and co-operation during these trying times and assure everyone that their goodwill is greatly appreciated.

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The WOMAN'S Page

The Decorative Monogram Fulfils Useful Purpose

This year, particularly, practical giving is a first consideration — and monogramming answers a very practical need! Doubling up of drawer and closet space due to wartime living, uncertain laundry service, and many unaccustomed but unavoidable changes in daily routine make monogramming practically a necessity as a certain means of identification of treasures that are "truly yours."

Aside from the practical value of monogramming, the sentimental appeal is also worth consideration—for surely the gift that is monogrammed is meant for you! And, of course, gifts to service men are more endearing, when they are monogrammed, for that "I am somebody" feeling that's apt to get mislaid when the boys are confronted with a string of numbers alongside their names!

As for gifts that service men will be giving to their friends and loved ones, the personalized touch will mean more than ever this year. Monograms and initials will serve as constant heart warming reminders that her soldier, sailor or Air Force beau, selected the gift and added her monogram to make it personal, as well as pretty.

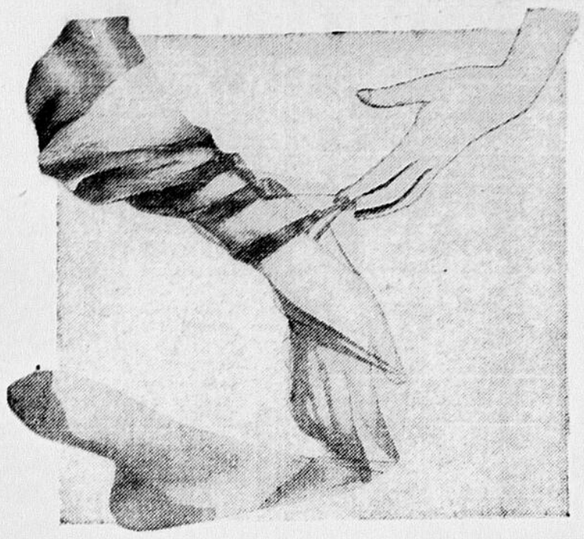
Monogrammed Lingerie

Slips and gowns, and even panties, are personal pretties made more intimate and feminine, by the addition of discreet monograms that give a secret, satisfactory luxury feeling that any woman will applaud.

For college girls war workers and business girls living away from home monogrammed undies are appreciated for their "personal property" appeal, as well as for their good looks.

Very-Own Hankies

Handkerchiefs are traditional Christmas gifts for both men and women and surely no one can have too many! However, they have a way of straying and it's easy to have too few, if the strays are not identifiable for prompt return. And so, monogrammed, name or initialed hankies are the answer. There are scores of hankies already initialed or with machine embroidered names covering first names from A to Z.



STILL THE FAVOURITE

Though Nylon and real silk went to war in the form of parachutes, Canadian wartime stockings are ranked as among the most reliable and good-looking of any in the world.

Hosiery, Undies Team Up As Warm Gift Partners

Some bright lad once remarked that he wished women would dress more warmly, because no matter how smart they were they never looked pretty with a red nose!

With all the dashing about outdoors we'll be doing this winter, warm hose and undies are aids to comfort, beauty and good health. And that puts warm gifts to the fore for Christmas giving, as practical somethings-to-wear in tune with wartime giving.

Toasty Hosiery

Cotton, lisle and wool hosiery have come in for quite a bit of wonder-working as a result of wartime. The hosiery manufacturers have gone all out to develop fine fitting, long wearing lisles, sheer but warm wools, slimming novelty cottons. You won't go wrong if you stock up your gift lists with warm hosiery, and you will find many good looking types ready for your early selection.

Understanding Gifts

Warm undies have made many new friends, and influenced many people, as a result of fuel rationing and the imperative need to keep well and on the job. There's no more practical gift than warm undies, and there's nothing disinteresting about the idea, either. Knitted cotton and wool mixtures snug-fits can do a lot for a streamlined silhouette and they come in many delightful colors, too. Why not make your Christmas giving functional and fun, by selecting warm undies to convey your warm wishes?

Bed Sock Buys

Bed socks are no longer the prerogative of grandmothers! They're being worn by the teens and twenties, too—and they make pleasing gifts that will be appreciated. See the kitten-soft wool ones at your favorite store—and you'll be charmed by the cute styles and grand colors. Buy a pair or two, and add them to your gift packages.

Women's Canadian Club Arranges Xmas Program; Young People Invited

The Women's Canadian Club has arranged a Christmas program to which young people are to be invited. The meeting will take place on Monday, in the Windsor Hotel at 3.15 p.m., when the distinguished musician and composer Dr. Arnold Walter, formerly of Czecho-Slovakia, and now Director of Music at Upper Canada College, will give a lecture illustrated by piano and recordings entitled "The Magic and Meaning of Music." Members may take young people of ten years and over, paying only members' rates.

Dr. Walter's latest composition, which is a symphony in G. Minor, is to have its world premiere on February 1st, when it will be played by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Ernest MacMillan.

Stuffed Rag Dolls Should Be Made In Gay Primary Colors

Soft, cuddly dolls, which little babies love, are easily made by even a beginner seamstress at home. The youngsters like animals—Teddy bears, rabbits, cats, dogs, ducks and in fact almost anything out of the barnyard or zoo. It is easy to get very inexpensive patterns for stuffed animal toys that make buget-easy Christmas presents and help fill the gap caused by shortages in the commercial toy field.

First requirement for the sewing machine Santa Claus who wants to make these toys is a stock-pile of remnants. Hoard every scrap, from sugar and flour sacking—which make excellent doll-body coverings — to bits of yarn, scraps of ribbon, fur, cast-off kid gloves, old socks, laces, pieces of fur, oil cloth, papa's old ties, hats, and in fact all fabric pieces which can be pressed into service for costumes.

Toys may be stuffed with kapok (from a discarded porch cushion perhaps), cotton batting, or, if nothing else is handy, old stockings, pieces of wool or odds and ends of yarn. Cut this material into small pieces so that it can be stuffed smoothly into the smallest corner of the toy.

Oil cloth may be used to cover toys that you want to be washable. A wipe with a damp cloth removes smears. Use velvet when you can get it, because children love its downy touch. Use gay colored fabrics, remembering that primary red, blues and yellows, which may not be realistic colors for animals, are most attractive for children. If you make a little girl doll, you might als make sets of bed covers, so her young "mama" can tuck her in at night.

LITTLE BROWN JUG

This brown slipper satin jug bag with over-the-wrist strap and gold metal ring catch, was introduced this season for after-five wear.

Gifts That Help Out At Inspection Times

A soldier's life is never an easy one, but probably some of the darkest moments are just before a formal inspection. Eyes right and posture perfect, buttons just so and metal gleaming, it's "company attention" until the last officer's footsteps have gone echoing down the company street.

Helpful little "silent valet" kits are the modern soldier's lifesavers in preparing for these all-important events. Shoe-polishing, metal-cleaning and sewing kits (complete with buttons, please) are definitely on the essential list in any army camp or training center. Individually or assembled in leather or fabric duffle bags, these helpful neatness-inducers make all the difference to a soldier. And with enlisted men or top-ranking officers, personal appearance is the very first consideration . . . so vanity, thy name is man as well as woman, in these days of military-minded Christmas shopping.

Service 'avorite . . . quality leather duffle bag to hold all his toiletries.

Gift to help him pass inspection . . . sewing kit plus comb-and-file in case.

GOOD KING WENCESLAS

Good King Wenceslas, immortalized in the well-known carol, was really a Bohemian prince who died in A.D. 935. His name should properly be spelt "Wenceslas."

He was famous for his great kindness to the poor and needy and when, in September, A.D. 935, he was killed by his brother, Boleslay, the people of the country were heart-broken. He is still regarded as their patron saint.

HAPPY FAMILY

A cuddle "zoo" for Christmas has a great appeal. Buy the complete kit of materials at your local sewing machine center.

Portrait Finger Ring Fashionable Novelty

The portrait finger ring has made its debut in the studios of Hollywood.

This novelty, which has caught on unusually well, enables the girls to always have their boy friends right on hand.

The portrait ring, which Gail Russell, Paramount Star, has been wearing, has a seal about one inch long and three-quarters of an inch in width. In size it resembles the face of a watch and it forms an attractive addition to a girl's jewelry.

"Of course, if you haven't a male friend, a husband or one who wants to be," Miss Russell remarked, "It's an ideal place to carry the photo of your father or mother. I'm very proud of my ring and now all the girls are wearing them."

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The purpose of Price Control is to prevent inflation. Its purpose is to *protect* and *maintain* a basic standard of living.

A higher money income will not be of any advantage if, because prices are going up, our money buys less and less.

To win the battle against unemployment in the post-war period, we must first of all win the battle against inflation.

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Salaries and wages are a large element, often the largest element, in the cost of everything we buy.

If the Price Ceiling breaks down, in the long run all stand to lose.

We must hold the line against inflation to assure victory in war.

We must hold the line to provide a solid foundation on which, after the war, to build a greater and a better Canada.

W. L. Mackenzie King.

PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA

Ottawa, December 13, 1943

SIX TEAM LOOP TO COMPETE IN JUVENILE SECTION OF WESTMOUNT MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

Golden Eagles, Monarchs, Royals, Staynors and Two Claremont Barracks Waiting for First Work-out

Six teams will compete in the juvenile section of the Westmount Municipal Hockey League, whose schedule will get underway on Monday evening, January 3rd, 1944. The inclusion of the Staynor team brought the loop up to a six-team affair, the other clubs in the league being Golden Eagles, Monarchs, Royals and two Army teams from the Claremont Barracks.

As usual the Staynor team will play their home games on their own rink while the remainder of the tilts are scheduled for the Western hockey rinks.

The teams are still waiting for their first workouts and until such a time arrives, their line-ups will be unknown. Doug Alexander, coach of the championship Golden Eagles team, will have two goalies in Ross Miller of last year's Grads and Fred Jones from last year's midget Royals. Jim Robinson and Gordie Craig will be one set of defencemen while the forwards will include Dave Harvie, Frankie Read, Jackie McKissock, Jim deLalanne and others.

The following is the schedule for the six team loop :

Mon., Jan. 3 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs Army "B"; East rink, 9.00 p.m., Royals vs Army "A"; Staynor 8.30 p.m., Monarchs vs Staynor.

Wed. Jan. 5 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Army "B" vs Monarchs; East rink 9.00 p.m., Staynor vs Army "A".

Fri. Jan. 7 : East rink 8.30 p.m., Golden Eagles vs Royals.

Mon. Jan. 10 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Army 'A" vs Golden Eagles; East rink 9.00 p.m., Royals vs Monarchs; Staynor 8.30 p.m., Army "B" vs Staynor.

Wed. Jan. 12 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Monarchs vs Army "A"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Army "B" vs Royals.

Fri. Jan. 13 : East rink 8.30 p.m., Staynor vs Golden Eagles;

Mon. Jan. 17 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Army "A" vs Army "B"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Monarchs vs Golden Eagles; Staynor 8.30 p.m., Royals vs Staynor.

Wed. Jan. 19 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Army "B" vs Golden Eagles; East rink 9.00 p.m., Army "A" vs Royals.

Fri. Jan. 21 : East rink 8.30 p.m., Staynor vs Monarchs.

Mon. Jan. 24 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Monarchs vs Army "B"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Royals vs Golden Eagles; Staynor 8.30 p.m., Army "A" vs Staynor.

Wed. Jan. 26 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs Army "A"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Staynor vs Army "B".

Fri. Jan. 28 : East rink 8.30 p.m., Monarchs vs Royals.

Mon. Jan. 31 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Royals vs Army "B"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Army "A" vs Monarchs; Staynor 8.30 p.m., Golden Eagles vs Staynor.

Wed. Feb. 2 : East rink 8.00 p.m., Army "B" vs Army "A"; East rink 9.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs Monarchs.

Fri. Feb. 4 : East rink 8.30 p.m., Staynor vs Royals.

ST. LEO'S SPORTS
By BILLY HAROLD

With the closing of school for the Christmas holidays this is an opportune time to look back over the year and make up our list of Christmas greetings to the many who have been playing Santa Claus to us all during 1943 and so with this thought in mind and representing all the athletes of St. Leo's I humbly wish to extend our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to the following benefactors of sports in the school. To our esteemed director, Brother George, who is the soul and inspiration behind all our athletic endeavors. To Father Wilfred McDonagh, P.P., our beloved pastor, whose wisdom and generosity pertaining to sports has won him the untold admiration and respect of all the boys. To all the mothers of the Mothers' Club for their kindness and help at all times. To the Parents' Association for coming to the rescue with some badly needed financial assistance. To the publishers of this newspaper for giving us valuable space that makes this column possible in this splendid suburban weekly. To the City of Westmount for providing first class football facilities in the way of a well groomed field.

Yuletide Jottings:

The Intermural Hockey League will officially open their schedule on Monday, Dec. 27th, at 9.00 a.m. with Rovers meeting Maroons and at 10.00 a.m. last year's Champion Red Wings will engage Canadians.—A ski meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, at 7.15 p.m. in the Athletic Room.—The Mordeners' Orchestra will be in attendance at the Christmas social on Monday, Dec. 27th, in the school hall.—With Dave O'Meara being forced to give up goaling, the coach is on the hunt for another Bantam net guardian.—Red Norris is showing plenty of fight in the Senior B Hockey practices.—A few of the Senior B boys' backchecking is not up to par and our coach hints that this is due to some of the boys who persist in smoking which in turn effects their wind and stamina and he has issued a warning that unless these young athletes show more concern to strict training rules they will be definitely replaced.—The Brothers at the school have again done a great job in having our rink in good shape at such an early date, and, as a matter of fact, we had ice before a number of indoor rinks.—The Junior Ascension News has failed to make its appearance again and a lot of questions are being asked why the publiction of this paper was suspended.—Morris Strachan, who tips the scale at 160 lbs. is beginning to round into form on the Bantam defence.—The Interscholastic Union is going to provide a trophy for our Senior B football champions.—In a recent exhibition Senior B hockey game against Westmount High we wish to compliment the fine spirit this team showed in defeat by giving St. Leo's three rousing cheers after the game, and this is just another reason why we are proud of the spirit of Westmount athletes who have built up a reputation as good sportsmen.—We hope the executive, who is looking after the invitations for the Christmas Social, will see to it that St. Leo's old boys will receive preference on the invitation list before outsiders as in the past a lot of St. Leo's old boys were ignored and outsiders invited.—Yves Hudon is turning out to be a find as a student manager and so far has done a fine job of helping to look after the affairs of the Senior B Hockey Club.—This column will be suspended for the holiday season and will make its next appearance on Jan. 13th. Now before signing off for 1943 yours truly would like to wish all its readers a Merry Christmas and to all the best of everything in the way of health, happiness and success for 1944.

FAMOUS INDIAN RUNNER OFFICIATES

Shades of yesteryear added color to the annual Round-the-Bay Marathon at Hamilton, Ont., with the presence of Tom Longboat, famous Indian long-distance runner around the turn of the century. Longboat, who was a judge of the 19-mile grind, is pictured shaking the hand of Sgt. Gerard Cote, of the Canadian Army, former winner and favorite. Cote took ill at the 17-mile mark and finished second.

Municipal Hockey League To Organize

The organization of the Prince Albert and Staynor Pee Wee sections of the Westmount Municipal Hockey League is now underway and all teams and players wishing to play in these leagues are asked to get in touch with recreation supervisor Jim McCormick immediately.

Two teams are definitely entered in the Prince Albert section, Ross Gillingham's Panthers, champions of the league last season, will be back for another try at the title while Don McDonald's unnamed club will also be in the league race.

At least two more teams are wanted for this section of the league. The games are played on Saturday mornings at the Prince Albert rink and only boys weighing eighty pounds or less are eligible to play in the loop.

Only one team has definitely entered the Staynor section but it is expected to round out a four team circuit before the season gets underway.

The lone team is a club managed by Richard Lord. As in the case of the Prince Albert league, any clubs or players wishing to play in the Staynor section are asked to get in touch with the recreation supervisor. The Staynor pee wee games will be played on Saturday afternoons at the Staynor rink.

BANTAMS TO GET SCHEDULE UNDERWAY WITH TRIPLEHEADER ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 7TH

A close six team race is looked for in the bantam section of the Westmount Municipal Hockey League which will get its schedule underway with a tripleheader on Friday evening, January 7th. The six teams in the loop are Bob Beal's Golden Eagles, Bob Lunny's Bulldogs, Johnnie Choyce's Sky Chiefs, John Fry's Mohawks, Richard Lord's Staynor team and the Regals.

Tripleheaders will be played every Friday night and Saturday afternoon with the Staynor team playing their home games at the Staynor rink.

In the event that the rinks are ready for use during the Christmas holidays, the bantam schedule will get underway some time between Christmas and New Years, with the teams starting at the back end of the schedule first.

There is still openings for bantam players on the Regals team, and any boy of bantam age wishing to play should get in touch with recreation supervisor Jim McCormick at the greenhouse.

The following is the schedule for the season:

Friday, Jan. 7—East rink, 7.30 p.m., Sky Chiefs vs. Regals. West Rink, 7.30 p.m., Mohawks vs. Golden Eagles; Staynor, 7.30 p.m., Bulldogs vs. Staynor.

Saturday, Jan. 8—East rink 2.00 p.m., Mohawks vs. Bulldogs; West rink, 2.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs. Sky Chiefs; West rink, 3.00 p.m., Staynor vs. Regals.

Friday, Jan. 14—East rink, 7.30 p.m., Golden Eagles vs. Bulldogs; West rink, 7.30 p.m., Regals vs. Mohawks; Staynor, 7.30 a.m., Sky Chiefs vs. Staynor.

Saturday, Jan. 15—East rink, 2.00 p.m., Staynor vs. Mohawks; West rink, 2.00 p.m., Bulldogs vs. Sky Chiefs; West rink, 3.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs. Regals.

Friday, Jan. 21—East rink, 7.30 p.m., Bulldogs vs. Regals; West rink, 7.30 p.m., Sky Chiefs vs. Mohawks; Staynor, 7.30 p.m. Golden Eagles vs. Staynor.

Saturday, Jan. 22—East rink, 2.00 p.m., Golden Eagles vs. Mohawks; West rink, 2.00 p.m., Staynor vs. Bulldogs; West rink, 3.00 p.m., Regals vs. Sky Chiefs.

Friday, Jan. 28—East rink, 7.30 p.m., Sky Chiefs vs. Golden Eagles; West rink, 7.30 p.m., Bulldogs vs. Mohawks; Staynor 7.30 p.m., Regals vs. Staynor.

Saturday, Jan. 29—East rink, 2.00 p.m., Mohawks vs. Royals; West rink, 2.00 p.m., Staynor vs. Sky Chiefs; West rink, 3.00 p.m., Bulldogs vs. Golden Eagles.

Friday, Feb. 4—East rink, 7.30 p.m., Sky Chiefs vs. Bulldogs; West rink, 7.30 p.m., Regals vs. Golden Eagles; Staynor, 7.30 p.m., Mohawks vs. Staynor.

Saturday, Feb. 5—East rink, 2.00 p.m., Staynor vs. Golden Eagles; East rink, 3.00 p.m., Regals vs. Bulldogs; West rink, 2.00 p.m., Mohawks vs. Sky Chiefs.

Final Set-up Of Midgets Has Not Been Decided Yet

It Appears That Seven Or Eight Teams Will Compete in Two Groups

The final set-up of the midget section in the Westmount Municipal Hockey League has not been decided as yet, there will be two groups in this section but the definite allocation of the teams is as yet unknown.

It appears as if seven or eight teams will compete in the two groups, R. Bower's Royals, midget champions of last year, head the entries in the A group along with Bert Read's Golden Eagles, Frank Creaghan's Falcons and Martin Dodick's Olympics. The fifth possible team is the Staynor aggregation, this team had been couted upon all along as they have the material for a strong midget club, but many of the players counted upon may not be able to play due to school regulations.

Three teams have entered the B group including Garth Gilhooly's Panthers, Marvin Greenbaum's unnamed club and Richard Lord's Staynor teaem.

While tentative schedules have been drawn up, it is of no use publishing them until the definite set-up is known. The midget schedule, therefore, will be used in next week's edition of the Examiner.

Ships to Benefit

In that era of good will that we hope is coming after the war, shipping will be content. I am sure, to see the airplane — in swarms if you please — operating even to the remote corners of the globe. The planes may spell the end of the luxury liner where the hurry-up or de luxe type of passenger is concerned. But ships will suffer none by and large . . . In fact, the air liners may so stimulate travel that ships will be benefitted rather than barmed.—Basil Harris, President of the United States Lines.

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Westmount Highlights

By Buddy Cochrane

At long last the Purple and White Revue's director, Michael Fitzgerald, has divulged the names of the Westmount High hopefuls who desire to entertain. Auditions were held last week but Mike, co-director Wilma Pettingill and adviser Parker L. Wearing, have not yet picked the cast.

Among the girls who turned out were Rhoda Solomon, Dalerie Dubrey, Mary Finley, Nina Teff, Daphne Allen, Viola Russell, Igred Weissler, Jon Agnew, Emma-Lou Agnew, Joyce Woodburn, Barbara Lamb, Pram Arbo and Judy Hughes-Stanton.

The males were John Pepper, G. Koven, Pete Kindersley, Howard Chamberlain, Bernard Schacter, Robert Sproule, Ian Roberts, Charles Cook, Robert Munro, Doug Pfeiffer, Tom Donald, and Peter King. Elsewhere on the name-covered page that Mike handed me are Jeff Merrill and Glen Magee. The latter represents Caughnawaga.

Those who are sure of their jobs are Parvie Walford, business manager, Brian Macdonald, musical director, Scottie Baillie, who is organizing a small band, and Don Harvie, master of the piano keys.

The highlight of the program is going to be a play called "The Wedding." According to the directors and Parker L., it will have the audience rolling in the aisles.

Vox Ducum

Joe Duffin, Westmount High's ace photographer, is soliciting ideas for section headings for this year's magazines. The three sections are the biographical, the literary, and the activities. Men with ideas, get to work.

Contributions which have been flowing in at a very irregular and very slow rate, are expected to really start filling the contribution boxes when the clientele return to the institution after a two weeks' absence. Why don't you stay at home on New Year's eve and write a poem, a story, or draw a cartoon? Wouldn't that be a marvellous way to spend New Year's Eve?

The D & D

James Spencer's Dramatic and Debating Society will be sponsoring a couple of debates after Christmas. Last year there were only two debates during the year. Jeems is planning more ambitious doings for 1944.

Sports Front

The exodus of Westmount High's boys to the department stores has a bad effec on the institution's teams. However, G. P. Smith has about six practices scheduled for the holidays and the non-working lads will benefit.

It looks as though Ian Fraser is going to goal for the Senior A team this year. Ian played forward last year and hasn't had the pads on for a number of years, but he has been showing up well in practices and the general opinion is that the job will be his.

William Macdonald will probably do the job for the Senior B team.

On the basketball news there is little to report. Parker L. may call a couple of practices during the holidays by phone. This year there will only be a Senior B loop in the Protestant basketball set-up. The only teams to enter A teams were West Hill and Montreal. These teams will play only exhibition matches in their own section. However, while losses to the A teams do not count in the league standing, a win does.

The league has been divided into two sections. Westmount will be in the western and will play two games against West Hill A, West Hill B, Lachine, Verdun and Lower Canada College.

The team winning the western section will play the eastern section winner at the end of the season for the city championship.

Westmount's Andy Baxter does not know whether he is playing hockey or basketball yet. If G. P. Smith thinks him good enough for the A hocke, team it will be the rinks for Andy. But if G. P. thinks he is senior B calibre then Andy will once more don his basketball suit. If he does the latter, Westmount should go far.

Hawker to Fly

Don Hawker, who quit Westmount High this fall to join the more select society of Hoscote Tertorial, has joined the air force. Don is now seventeen and a half and last week he was sworn in after passing all his tests with flying colors.

Hawk has leave until July 7 but when that day rolls around he will be sent to the Manning Depot at Toronto for his initial training. He is air crew material. John Brunning and Hugh Fraser, both ex-Westmount Highers, joined up the same day as Don.

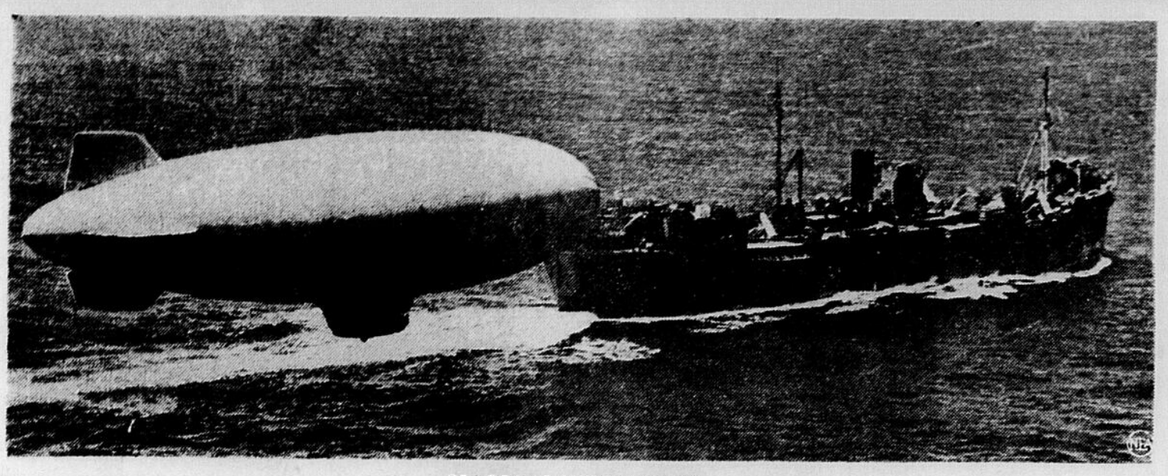
Items

Henry Blakeny, representing the St. John Ambulance Corps, was on hand at the air cadet inspection the other day to look after all emergencies. He didn't get much business. Energetic Dave Mackenzie has been working twenty-four hours a day on publicity for the Skigulls dance that comes off in January. The Modernaires will be in attendance. The place is the institution. Last Friday night's party at the Y flopped miserably. The West Hill dance was too much competition and there was a social up at Dominion Douglas Church as well. Whitfield Aston held the joint Hi-Y meeting enthralled at the Y last Friday evening. He gave a few character sketches from Dickens that were really good and he had the audience rolling in the aisles when he imitated a drunk reciting. Following little dialogue is purely fictitious:

Parker L.: "Well, what did you think of the first rehearsal of "The Wedding?"

Cynical newspaperman: "For the first time in my life I envied my feet. They were asleep."

To all my readers, the whole two of you, I wish you a Very Merry Christmas and I add, "Ho sai gui." (Chinese for "May all the world be good to you.")



SEAGOING HITCH HIKER

Just a photo illusion, but the freighter seems to be towing the Navy blimp as it hovers above on patrol.

Y's Chats

Last Saturday night's servicemen's party was even more enjoyable than usual, if that is possible. It was the Christmas party and the Y was gaily decorated with a cheery "Merry Christmas" sign and a well-lighted Christmas tree as well as with the standard Christmas decorations. One soldier complained that there should have been some mistletoe but this was the only complaint of the evening.

Art Crawford and his band were on hand and pleased the huge audience with their rendition of the latest ballads and jive. Art was able to muster only four men for Saturday's affair but the quarter, all-coloured and all talented, were more than satisfactory.

At the piano was blind Edgar Assells, one of the best maestros of the keyboard in Montreal today. Brownie Brown tooted his trumpet and the man with the drums was Eddie Riley. But don't forget Art Crawford. He plays the sax and he can really play.

For the first time since their inception four years ago, there will be no servicemen's party this Saturday evening. The reason is that Saturday is Santa Claus' annual big day and the Y doesn't want to give the old fellow any competition. They haven't yet decided whether or not to give the same treatment to Father Time on New Year's night.

Those of you who are still wondering what to do on New Year's Eve need not worry any more. Down at Central Y there will be a six-hour party. The starting time is 12.30 and it will wind up at 4.30 a.m. Favours, buffet supper, prizes, a floor show, and the music of Ferguson's "Victory Serenaders" will all be available. Tickets are on sale at the main desk and those who are thinking of going are reminded that reservations are limited.

The Y will be closed on Christmas day and on New Year's day and from December 22 to 29, inclusive, the swimming pool will be closed for cleaning and repairs.

Three members of the Westmount Y's board of management have been compelled to resign their seats on the board. They are the chairman, D. O. Bremner, who has been appointed to represent Westmount on the national council at Toronto, C. A. Smith, past chairman, who has been transferred to Ottawa by the Bell Telephone Company, and Eric Allison who is transferring his business to Vancouver.

A farewell party for A. C. Ross Seaman, former fellowship secretary of the local Y, will be held in the gym tonight. Ross will be leaving with his R.C.A.F. unit shortly for destinations unknown. He leaves with the sincere good wishes of all the members and staff of the Y.

The business men's gym classes have been cancelled until after the holiday season.

An extensive holiday program has been planned for local members.

Tonight, at 9.30, there will be a treasure hunt. This will be followed by a craft period at 10.30 a.m. and the ball hockey league at 2.00 in the afternoon.

On Saturday and Sunday the Y will be closed all day. On Monday, however, there will be a game period in the gym commencing at 9.30, followed by the craft period and after lunch there will be a trip out to the N.D.G. Y for a swim and a skate.

On Tuesday there will be the ball hockey league at 9.30, the craft period at 10.30, and a scavenger hunt at 2.00 p.m. On Wednesday there will be the regular craft period at 10.30. This will be preceded by a special gym period and in the afternoon there will be movies. On Thursday there will be the ball hockey league and the craft shop in the morning and in the afternoon the boys will go to Central Y for a swim.

A giant Christmas card with thousands of War Savings Stamps attached to it in the shape of a bomb will be sent to England by air to R.C.A.F. bomber headquarters. For each Stamp attached there will be the signature of its Canadian buyer. The Stamps go to an Air Force Pensioners' Fund and the Air Force is to be asked to drop a bomb on behalf of the stamp buyers, as near to Christmas as possible and as close to Hitler's head as possible.

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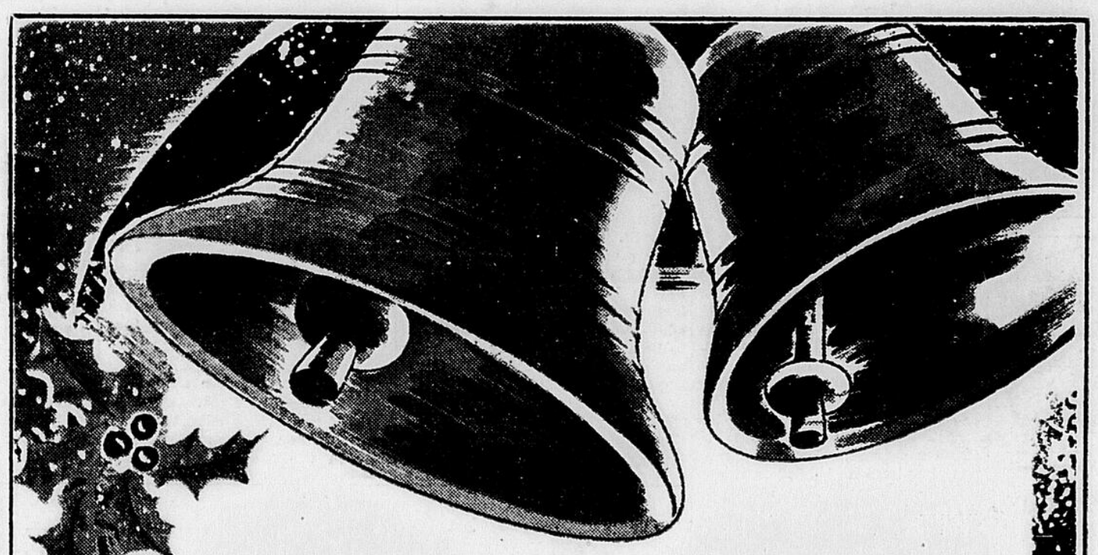

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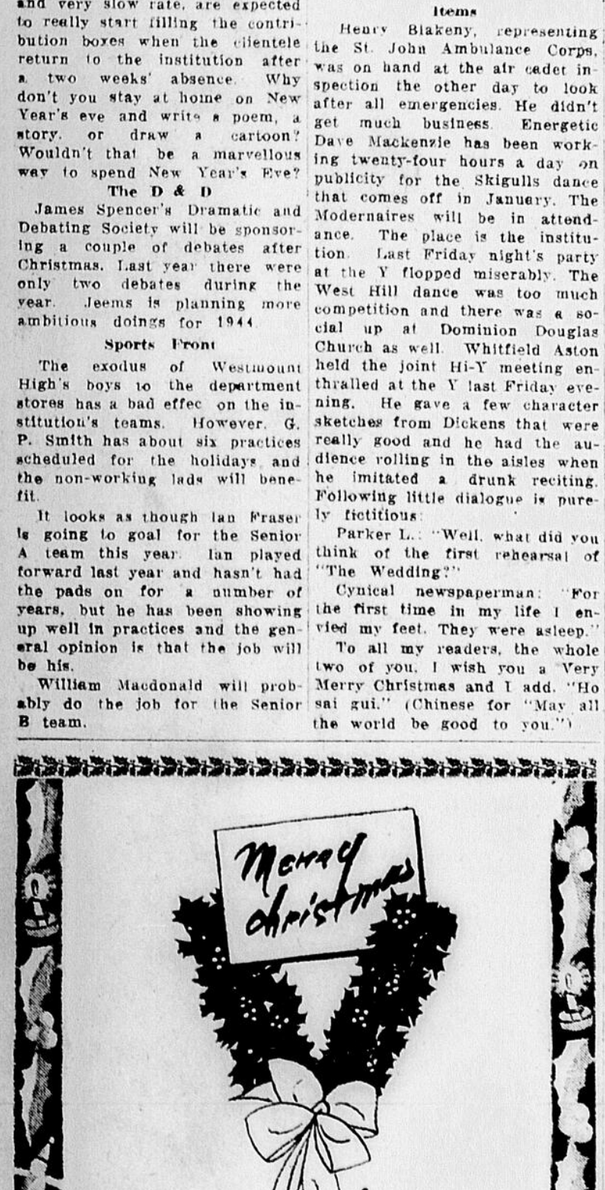

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