

RELIGION AND LIFE

By Very Rev. George C. Pidgeon, D.D., LL.D. First Moderator of the United Church of Canada

AND OF HIS KINGDOM THERE WILL BE NO END'
Idea that Christmas should be a season of gladness goes back to the beginnings of Christianity.

Someone has suggested that "it is interesting to read her song in connection with the son of Hannah at the birth of Samuel, and the opening verses of the Sermon on the Mount. First, Mary magnifies her own privilege.

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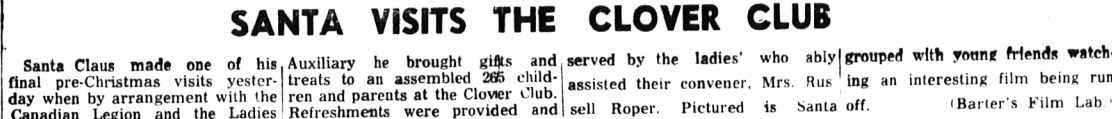
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SANTA VISITS THE CLOVER CLUB

Santa Claus made one of his final pre-Christmas visits yesterday when by arrangement with the Canadian Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary he brought gifts and treats to an assembled 265 children and parents at the Clover Club.

Refreshments were provided and served by the ladies' who ably assisted their convener, Mrs. Russell Roper. Pictured is Santa off.

City and Central Jordan Gov't Restores Order After New Riots

By WILTON WYNN
AMMAN, Jordan (AP)—Angry demonstrations against the British Mandate Pact followed Wednesday for the sixth successive day but Jordan's caretaker government acted swiftly and restored order.

Curfew was lifted in Bethlehem as that Jordan-controlled city in Palestine prepared to welcome hundreds of Christmas eve pilgrims to the birthplace of Christ.

Arab Legion troops fired tear-gas grenades to break up a crowd of 400 demonstrators in downtown Amman. Another 200 marched to the office of Prime Minister Ibrahim Hashim and demanded his new government pledge to keep Jordan out of the five-nation alliance.

Several hours later Hashim announced his government "will not deal with any political questions nor will it bind itself to any treaties or obligations."

Hashim, 67-year-old elder statesman of this Arab desert kingdom, moved on several fronts to restore calm.

His regime announced release of all persons arrested in the riots as demanded by opposition groups as a condition for ceasing their demonstrations and calling off strikes.

Leaders of civil servants to strike asked them to return to their jobs.

LIGHTS ON AGAIN
Lights came on in Amman's shopping districts as proprietors opened their doors.

"At last," with ecstasy I thought, "I am where I should always be. I give joy to the folks both young and old."

"And they seem proud of me."
New Year's guests in gorgeous gowns Admired my fine physique.

Of life throughout the week— There was I as fresh as dew When early the next morning My finery was all stripped from me.

And I was pulled down without warning.
Rough hands dragged me to the door And out in the yard I was cast To lie upon the ash heap hard.

And dream about my past.
A broken sled, tomato cans And other worthless trash Are companions in my misery On this heap of ugly ash.

Is'm a broken hearted lonely thing Bereft of love and pride And the joy of life that sparkles once.

Has miserably died.
It is so brief a time ago That I was much admired And the joy I gave to every one Was the life I so desired.

If thoughtless man had not cast me So roughly on this hard ground I might be standing proudly now. Instead of limp and browned. Beside the house or near the door.

I'd be a pleasant sight— But I must sigh my heart out here By day as well as night. D. S.

Relieved Dead Meets Husband

BREMENHAVEN (AP)—Mrs. Lena Reimer came home from Canada Monday with a tearful pre-Christmas reunion with her husband she had believed dead in the Second World War.

"It will be our most beautiful Christmas," 56-year-old Mrs. Reimer sobbed when she embraced her husband on the quay. They had seen each other last in 1943.

Peter Reimer, 58, returned from a Siberian prison camp last October after spending 10 years in Russian captivity. When he came home, he found he had been declared dead by a German court in 1951.

Mrs. Reimer believed he was killed in the last days of the war as she had received his last letter out of Russian-besieged Breslau. She had emigrated to Canada to live with her sister in Vancouver.

ley Woodside an dfamily. During the service, the church choir with Mrs. James Snowie organist, led in the singing of Christmas Hymns.

Solos were sung by Mrs. W. E. Stevenson. Rev. Mr. Raynor, and Mr. Gerrit Loo, and also a duet by Mrs. Stevenson and Mr. Loo, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Harry Weeks.

Rev. Mr. Raynor delivered an appropriate message for the advent season on the theme—"Why Did Jesus Come." At the conclusion of the service a number of selections were played over the chime system.

Memorial Chimes Dedicated Recently
The dedication of Memorial Chimes was conducted by Rev. H. S. Raynor at the Sunday evening service of worship at Bradalbane United Church on December 18.

The chimes were dedicated to the glory of God with the hope that an increased spiritual blessing would be bestowed on those who would organize in their minds to worship God, that others within hearing would be drawn to the House of God and that those who through illness could not attend would receive comfort and peace from the thoughts portrayed in the selections played on the chime system.

Rev. Mr. Raynor, on behalf of the session, acknowledged the gift which enabled the chimes to be installed free of debt by the gift of the late Hugh F. MacKay, Elder of the Bradalbane Church for thirty years, presented by Mrs. MacKay and family; of the late Rev. D. J. Morrison, Pastor of Bradalbane United Church Chimes for four years—presented by Mrs. Morrison and family; of the late Mrs. Marshall, presented by her daughter Mrs. Raynor; and of the late, William Earl Woodside, presented by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodside.

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The Christmas Tree's Lament
I stood but two short weeks ago So proudly in the woods. The envy of all my fellow trees In their rash and friendly moods. My figure was beyond reproach And haughtily I held my head. A perfect specimen such as I Was wasted here, they said.

Two city lads approached the bush In search of a Christmas Tree. One carried an axe so sharp and strong The other shouldered carefully. The other hauled a sleigh behind And looked from side to side. And frowned with disappointment keen And then my form he spied.

"Look, Bill," he said to the other lad. "Here's one will suit our need. Let's take it home with us today." "There's no better one indeed." No sooner said, than done. My friends— When the axe came down upon me. Then I was laid upon that sled And dragged from my family.

I was carried into a lovely house And placed in a large sitting room. Where I could be best seen by all. Then my coat they had to groom. False feet were fastened to my trunk. In place of my roots so strong And I was dressed up fancily With garlands short and long.

Glittering bells and candy canes. So gaudy and so sweet. Clung to me from the tip of my head. To the top of my poor false feet Tinsel trailers and icicles Sparkled in lights dim and bright. And men and women, and children too Gazed on me with delight.

When Christmas Eve arrived at last. I was laden with gifts large and small. Fancy packages square and round. Were piled beside a doll. Boots and skates as well as toys Were laid at my poor feet. And a garland of colored electric lights Made my dress complete.

Next morning with bright and sparkling eyes The children laughed with glee. The great excitement then ensued. In a dance 'round the Christmas Tree. I was twice bumped in careless romping. When a voice from a grown-up said: "Be careful of our tree so nice. Or you'll have to go back to bed."

For a week or more I was the pride Of this fine house in town. And neighbors came from all about For I was quite renown.

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Red Cross First Aid Course At Irishtown

Red Cross Standard first aid Certificates were presented to a group of men and women in the Irishtown Hall on Monday evening December 19th.

Mrs. Borden F. Campbell was chairman of the First Aid Committee in this community. Mrs. Bradford LeClair of Summerside instructed the Course which began during the latter part of October.

The group expressed appreciation by presenting gifts to the instructor and to others who assisted with the Course.

Mr. Paul Cudmore conducted the tests in the practical First Aid and presented awards to the following candidates:

Standard — Mrs. Leigh Paynter, Mrs. Borden Campbell, Mr. Clayton Stavert, Mr. Clair Campbell, Mr. James Simmons, Mrs. Archie Johnstone, Mrs. Willard Brown, Mrs. Cecil Campbell, Miss Thelma J. Cameron, Mrs. George MacLeod, Mrs. H. B. MacLeod, Mrs. Clayton Stavert, Mrs. Harold MacLeod, Mrs. Clair Campbell, Mrs. E. W. Johnstone, Mrs. James Simmons, Junior — Clifford MacLeod.

FOX IS TARGET

MONTREAL (CP)—A growing number of hunters will be on the trail of the tattooed fox in 1956. The Quebec game department reported Wednesday. A hunter bringing down a tattooed fox wins \$50 under a predator control system started this year. Seven hunters were the reward and the plan now is being extended, with marked animals being released in new districts.

ANCIENT INHABITANTS

Nomadic hunters are estimated to have come from Siberia to Alaska in the ice age 20,000 years ago.

Unusual Operation Saves Life Of 15-Year-Old Girl

TORONTO, (CP)—A 15-year-old Kitchener, Ont., girl will miss Christmas at home this year for the first time. It was to have been her last.

Helen Chevrete, a delicate little girl with a friendly smile, is in a bed at the Toronto General Hospital recovering from a heart operation that no one thought she'd live through.

Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alcine Chevrete, was stricken five years ago with rheumatic fever. The fever lasted only a few days but it caused a narrowing of two of the four valves in her heart.

Only a small amount of blood could get through and Helen became a near-invalid.

"Three or four steps would leave the poor child breathless," said her father. "Her lips would turn blue and so would her limbs."

For the last two years she has not been able to attend school. Her condition grew worse each year. A few months ago she gave up hope.

"I am giving up," she told her father. In desperation, Mr. Chevrete consulted his doctor again. The doctor said an operation was possible but chances of success were only 15 per cent.

"I had nothing from the girl," said her father, "and I told her she alone would decide."

Helen made up her mind. With her parents she was driven to Toronto, where four surgeons agreed to try the operation.

FIRST TIME IN CANADA
During the operation Helen's heart stopped. Skillfully the chief surgeon massaged the heart and started it pumping again. Then he continued the operation to "split" the two valves so blood would flow normally.

Suddenly, the heart stopped again and again the surgeon massaged. It started again.

The operation, a commissurotomy, took 3 1/2 hours and marked the first time it had been done in Canada.

Ten days after the operation doctors gave their verdict—she would pull through. She would beat the 7-to-1 odds against her recovering.

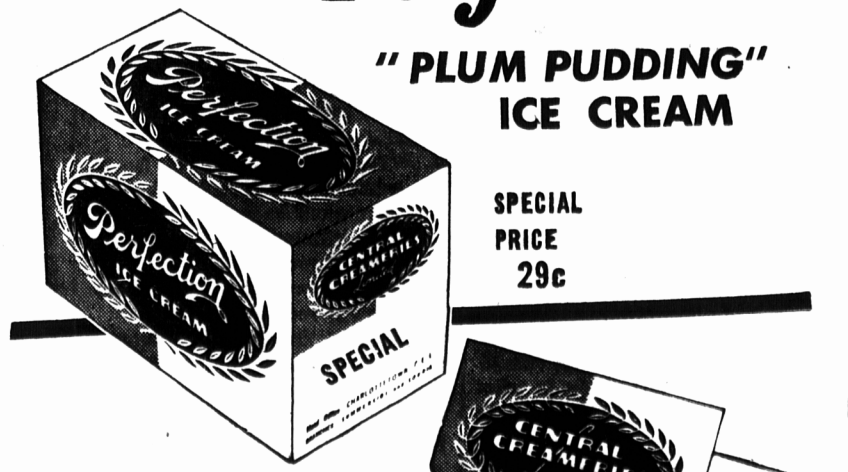
Today Helen is looking forward to an active life again. The surgeons who performed the operation said they prefer not to be named.

EASILY RECOGNIZED
The raccoon is easily distinguished from other animals by its black mask and black-ringed tail.



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