

Religion and Life

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FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH

It seems like merely echoing an ancient slogan to say that for me Christ is all and in all. Yet it is literally true. It was true when in early youth He entered my life as the sunrise, bringing light and life into one's world.

Each person's experience needs to be fitted into the universal experience of Christ's people in every age. We build a pyramid on its apex when we base our ideas of God and His salvation on what one person finds in God.

York and Vicinity

Mrs. Ramsay Auld was a visitor to York on Jan. 23, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Gordon Crockett.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McDonald and family on the death of their daughter, Arlene, in the Halifax Hospital, Jan. 24.

Miss Doris Brown, City, spent the week-end in York, the guest of Miss Frances Vessey.

Miss Joyce MacSwain was the guest of Miss Margaret Vessey over the week-end.

Mr. William Robinson, Milton, was a visitor to Covehead over the week-end. He also paid a short visit to York on Jan. 26.

Mrs. Lloyd Jay, Mt. Stewart, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Allan Swan recently.

Miss Annie Doyle was a visitor to the City on Jan. 26.

Mrs. Frank Watts, York, spent a day in the City recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooke were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leith Brown, York.

Mr. Lorne Vessey, York, had as his guests on Jan. 24, his sister, Mrs. Boswell Stewart and Mr. Stewart, Dunstaffnage.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Chandler, Milton, were the guests of Mrs. Hubert Vessey on Jan. 24.

Denounce Jap Aid in Survey

MELBOURNE, Reuters — Intimidated Australian ex-servicemen today denounced possible Japanese aid in an American survey of New Guinea and New Britain. The islands were seized by Japan in the Second World War and used to menace Australia.

Plans to survey the two big islands north of Australia were announced here this morning as part of the defence program under the ANZUS pact which includes Australia, New Zealand and the United States.

The row broke out when Australian newspapers said Japanese surveyors would participate in the map-making work at the insistence of the U. S.

Australian prime minister R. G. Menzies declined to comment on reports that his government had yielded to American pressure on the issue. He said the matter of Japanese participation is still under discussion with Washington.

Russians Like Burns' Lyrics

MOSCOW Reuters — In Russia, young people in love sing the lyrics of Robert Burns to each other, an announcer on Moscow radio said Monday night. His report came on a 30-minute English-language program in honor of the 150th anniversary of the birth of the Scottish national poet.

KITCHENER, (CP) — Perhaps Kitchener housewives have gone back to an old-fashioned way of asserting themselves. There's a boom in the sale of rolling pins in Kitchener.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of my dear wife (Maggie) MRS. WM. A. BERNARD who died February 1st, 1950. She has gone where footsteps never grow weary. Away from sorrow and pain. To the beautiful kingdom of heaven. She is waiting for us again. Inserted by Her Husband.

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NOTICE The Annual Meeting of the Ratepayers of the Village of Parkdale, to be held in Parkdale Hall, Tuesday, February 2nd, 1954, at 8 p.m.

SPRING PARK VILLAGE ANNUAL MEETING OF RATEPAYERS The annual meeting of the Ratepayers of the Village of Spring Park will be held on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. in Spring Park Community Hall.

J. Edmond Arseneault, Chairman of Commissioners of the Village of Spring Park.

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FUNERAL SUNDAY - The funeral of the late Mrs. Isabel MacGillivray was held yesterday afternoon from her late residence at Churchill. Services at the home and grave were conducted by Rev. Donald Nicholson. The pall bearers were Waldron MacKinnon, Roland Buchanan, Gordon Lamont, Percy MacDonald, David MacKinnon, Louis Livingstone. Interment in Argyle Shore Cemetery.

PERSONALS Beverly Ann Larkin has entered P. E. Island Hospital for a tonsillectomy. Her friends wish she soon will be well again. Friends will be interested to know that Miss Mary Callahan of Silley, Que., has now recovered sufficiently from the severe facial bruises she received in an accident early in January to return to the offices of the John Ritchie Co. Ltd., Quebec City, where she is in charge of the accounting division.

MacDonald - West Wedding

In an attractive evening ceremony on December 30 in the First United Church, Wetaskiwin, Alta., Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. I., became the bride of Albert Charles, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Albert J. MacDonald of Flat River. For the ceremony, performed by Rev. J. M. Parry, white and pink chrysanthemums reflected in the glow of white candles decorating the altar. The bride, who entered the church to the strains of the Wedding March from Lohengrin, wore a ballerina length gown of lace over satin. Her chapel veil was held in place by a sweetheart headress and she carried a white Bible garlanded with a corsage of pink roses. Her only attendant, Miss Mary MacDonald, sister of the groom, wore a peacock blue dress fashioned of net over satin and carried a colonial bouquet of chrysanthemums. Mr. Cliff Grainger was best man. Guests were ushered by Mr. Gordon Pubantz and Mr. Don Knoll to pews marked with bows of white satin. While the register was being signed, Miss Esther Herskorn sang "Because". Mrs. Hoffman played the wedding music. A reception was held for 35 guests at the home of Mrs. E. Zelent, Pipestone, Alta. The bridal table was centered with a three-tier wedding cake flanked with white candles. Out-of-town guests included Miss Mary MacDonald, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. R. Gratton, Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. K. MacKenzie, Mr. Gordon MacEwen and Miss Cynthia MacKenzie, all of Edmonton. For a wedding trip, the bride donned a frock of pale blue wool jersey and a medium blue coat complemented with navy and white accessories. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald are residing at Pipestone, Alta., where the bride is with the teaching staff of Pipestone School. The groom is presently employed by Tri-Province Drilling Co. of Ma-Me-O Beach, Alta.

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A miscellaneous shower was held in the Pipestone, Alta., auditorium on December 10, in honor of Miss Helen West. The Students' Union arranged the shower. At the end of the program, Elmer Stobbe entered with a huge bag of "Completed Homework" and placed them on the teacher's desk. These proved to be gifts for her. More than 125 guests were present.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of Roland D. Musick, who passed away Jan. 31, 1953. Ever remembered by Hudson and family.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of William Leith McLean, Peter's Road, who passed away January 31, 1941. Inserted by son Wilford and family.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of William Leith McLean, who departed this life January 31, 1941. A precious one from us is gone. A voice we loved is still; And in our sad and aching hearts, We love you, father, still. Lovingly remembered by daughters, Hazel and Jessie.

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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur The letters N-E-W-S used to be prefixed to newspaper shows that they obtained information from the four-quarters of the world, and the supposition that our word news is thence derived is at least ingenious. It is interesting to note that the north side of the altar in a church is usually the side on which the gospel is read. Since the north is usually considered to be the dark part of the earth this symbolizes "the light shining in darkness," for in by-gone days the north, because it lacked light, was called the devil's side, and here his satanic majesty together with his followers lay in wait for the wayward and sinners. And strange but true, some of the older churches and churchyards had a gate or entrance called "the devil's gate," and many persons were averse to the idea of being buried in the north side of the cemetery, feeling it lacked the hallowed sanctity of the rest of the burial grounds. Many of us expend so much energy, dreading a job that when we get down to real work we are too tired to do very much but grumble.

There are approximately 75,000 people in strong alcohol and the pound of honey represents the life work of 1,000 bees. These busy little insects travel as far as two miles away seeking honey and like door to door salesmen will call on each flower. Moth balls will also keep unwelcome pigeons out. If placed on windowsills and nesting places. We have a leap-year every four years except in those years which end with two zeros, such as 900, 1300, 1900. But the years which can be divided by 400 are an exception to this exception. The last exception was A. D. 1600; the next one will be in 2000. On March 21, the position of the earth in relation to the sun is such that the light of the sun illuminates exactly 1/2 of the surface of the earth. As a result, on that particular day, day and night are of equal length in every part of the world. The next day of seasonal importance is the 23rd of September, because then once more the days and nights are of equal length all over the world.

It is estimated that the average net increase in population on our planet is 30,000,000 per year. At that rate of increase the population of the earth will double itself in about six generations. What then? Well, by 193,200 it will be standing room only. Don't worry too much, however, as you won't be here on the day of "standing room only." The island of Ischia, situated just opposite Capri, suffered 31 heavy earthquake shocks since 1220. Think of it! Strange as it may seem the most important city of the ancient world was founded in a plague spot. St. Petersburg, Russia, was built on a marsh which took hundreds of thousands of lives to drain; Madrid was built on a treeless plateau hundreds of miles removed from everywhere, and Rome has an unhealthy climate, hot summers, chilly winters, and poor communications; yet it now is the center of a world-wide religion.

Doctors said a rare operation, the first of its kind, saved the life of Colleen Gale Johnson, who sleeps peacefully in the arms of her mother, Mrs. Charles Johnson, in a Chicago hospital. Colleen's pancreas gland was wrapped tightly around the stomach to the intestines. Doctors said the child would die without surgery. It was performed when the baby was only two days old, the first successful operation of its kind in history. There are today, 150,000 independent farmers in little Denmark who operate small farms ranging from ten to a hundred acres, and there are only 20,000 farms larger than one hundred acres. Yet strange to say Denmark is worth a dozen other countries of infinitely greater size and more pretentious and militaristic ambitions which could be named. Why? Because the Danes have the second richest country per capita of all Europe. Here you will find neither poverty nor riches as they are known in other countries of the world, establishing instead a balance of average, which is without equal anywhere else.

The coldest spot on the face of the earth is found in northern Siberia, and the part of the plain that lies well within the Arctic circle is as large as France, England, Germany and Spain put together. Communism as an economic system contains nothing new. The old monastic orders were really communistic institutions and they in turn were patterned after the communism of the early Christian church which recognized neither riches nor poverty. The pilgrims, when they arrived in the New World, intended to form a communistic community but the idea never materialized. The old controversy still rages: are men drivers better or worse than women drivers? New fuel was recently added to the fire when a couple of gals who drove non-stop to San Francisco from New York City dubbed male drivers public menace number one. The girls made the drive to the west coast in three days, eight hours. On the return trip however, they took it easier, paying close attention to traffic instructions and reported offences of men drivers outweighed those of the fair sex ten to one.

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Imperial Life Annual Report

New records in service and growth during 1953 featured the operations of The Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada, it was reported at that Company's Annual Meeting. President A. Ross Poyntz and General Manager Russell J. Wood reviewed the Company's operations in a year that established new all time records for the life insurance business in Canada. Payments to policyholders and beneficiaries by the Company in 1953 reached a new high figure of \$12,081,000. Death benefits accounted for 32% of the total, the balance being paid to living policyholders and annuitants as the result of maturing endowment policies, annuity benefits, etc. 15% of the total benefit payments was in the form of dividends to policyholders. A higher dividend scale for policyholders for 1954 was announced.

The mortality experience of the Company continued to be favourable. "Causes of death ranked in numerical importance were diseases of the heart, cancer, accidental and violent deaths, vascular lesions affecting the central nervous system," stated Mr. Poyntz. "No other classification ranked close to those four. Diseases of the heart continued to be by far the largest group in 1953, exceeding the combined total of the other three. The medical research efforts which are supported by the life insurance companies are directed with good reason toward improvement in these fields."

"The Imperial Life's new business of \$89,825,000 in 1953 was the highest years' production ever recorded in the history of the Company," said Mr. Wood. "The improvement in business was attributable largely to two factors - an increase in the average policy purchased, and substantially increased sales by new staff who have joined the Company in the past two years. The average policy purchased last year was \$5,240, up \$400 over the previous year, and double that of eight years ago."

Total business in force in the Company is now \$755,503,000, having grown by over \$106,000,000 in the past two years. Over 80% of the Company's business is in Canada, the balance largely in Great Britain and the West Indies. Total assets of the Company now amount to \$198,683,000, an increase of \$11,278,000 for the year. 82% of the assets are held in Canada, 9% in the Sterling area and 8% in the U. S. A. The gross rate of interest on the invested assets was 4.26% in 1953, as compared to 4.01% in 1952. The strong demand for loans on residential housing continued, and The Imperial Life participated in this field to a large extent.

Some of the new 1954 automobiles will be equipped with rubber bumper guards filled with air to absorb chassis shocks. The dog and the cat, the cow and the horse, the sheep and the pig, were all of them of Asiatic origin. And Asia conferred further blessing on us by contributing practically all of our fruits and vegetables; our flowers and our poultry were brought from Asia to Europe by the Greeks, the Romans or the Crusaders.

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Highlights Of Views At Big 4 Conference

BERLIN, (AP) — Here are the highlights of what the Big Four foreign ministers said Tuesday and Monday in their opening statements: Foreign Secretary Eden: The people who love peace expect us here to do a work of peace. . . . They the British people had no choice but to take action with their allies to safeguard their security and to preserve peace in Europe. This was the origin of NATO. . . . This is a conference in Europe about Europe. . . . we are pledged doubly pledged, to oppose aggressive action against the Soviet Union. . . . so long as the Germans are artificially divided, there can be no unity or stability in Europe. . . . free elections throughout Germany are the essential first step.

Secretary of State Dulles: Here it should be possible in a mood of equalizing humility to work together for peace. . . . We thought Germany and Austria provided such an initial field for a successful effort. . . . It was thus a matter of profound disappointment to hear the opening address of the Soviet foreign minister. . . . Mr. Molotov evoked the spirit of vengeance and of hatred which marked the ill-fated treaty of Versailles. . . . This convicted aggressor Communist China is the nation which the Soviet Union chooses to be its companion in its quest for peace and which it demands should be accepted by the United States and others. . . . Foreign Minister Molotov: We express our readiness to put forward an appropriate specific proposal for the calling of a five-power meeting including Communist China, which could take place some time after the Berlin conference. . . . The German question should be settled in a way that would exclude the possibility

Painting For RAF Squadron

LONDON, (CP) — The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation has given an original Canadian painting to an RAF bomber squadron for flying Coronation film to Canada. Three Canberra jet bombers from Squadron 540 raced the film to Canada for presentation on CBC television Coronation Day, June 2, 1953. The film, made by the British planes at Goose Bay, Labrador, by RCAF CF-100 jet fighters was flown to the RCAF base at St. Hubert, Que., near Montreal. From there it was taken by helicopter to the CBC's studios in Montreal and was on the air in Canada within several hours of the actual ceremony. Andrew Cowan, CBC European representative, in presenting the painting—a landscape, "Trees and Rocks, Georgian Bay," by Goodridge Roberts—said the success of "Operation Pony Express" was the result of complete co-operation between the RAF, BBC and CBC. But the major part of the credit went to Squadron 540.

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MONTREAL, (CP) — A suggestion that Queen's counsel be created eventually only from the ranks of lawyers who practice actively before the courts was made Tuesday night by Chief Justice W. B. Scott of the Montreal Superior Court. Speaking at the first of a series of four panel discussions organized by McGill University's faculty

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of law, the chief justice said there is a "real shortage" of lawyers doing barrister work before the courts. "What with the industrial and commercial development of our country in many fields, I am well aware of the pull in favor of more solicitor work in offices, with the monetary rewards that go with it." The result, he stated, is that senior counsel are overworked and juniors are sent up to plead cases which should be handled by more experienced advocates. Queen's counsel are named by the provincial government. The honorary titles are confined to lawyers with at least 10 years service in the profession, whether before the courts or in offices.

WINS \$1,250.00 on AYLMEYER \$50-A-DAY Mrs. H. E. Bonner of 1396 Mississauga Road, Port Credit, receives her \$1,250.00 jackpot cheque won on the Aylmer Soups \$50-A-DAY Radio Show. Mr. G. G. Lister, Executive Vice-President of Canadian Canners Ltd., AYLMEYER PRODUCTS, makes the presentation while June Dennis and Wally Crouter look on. Mrs. Bonner enclosed an Aylmer Vegetable Beef Soup label with her entry that correctly identified the "Mystery Voice" as Hank Snow. On the right is Mr. Lawrence Gallagher, who receives \$50.00 for selling Mrs. Bonner her Aylmer Soup. Aylmer \$50-A-DAY is heard daily, Monday to Friday at 11:30 a.m. on CFCY.

"What kind of year did our Company have? It was excellent, thank you!" (Your Imperial Life representative reports to you.) "The feature of the year that will most interest you was that our President was able to announce a higher dividend scale for policyholders for 1954. The increase, combined with the one the Company announced two years ago, has made ownership of Imperial Life policies which share in dividend earnings more attractive than ever. "You will be pleased to know, too, that the Company in 1953 disbursed a record amount of \$12 million in benefit payments. Since the Company started operations it has paid out more than \$234 million in benefits. The Company now holds a sum of \$198,683,000 to meet future obligations. "Those are the figures of chief interest to you. Very gratifying to us in the Company is the fact that people like you arranged life insurance and annuities to the tune of \$89,825,000—a new high record for the Company for a one-year period. It enabled the Company to pass the three-quarter-billion-dollar-mark in total insurance in force during the year. "Yes, it was an excellent year. . . . By the way, if you'd like a copy of the complete Annual Report of the Company, I'd be glad to give you one, or any of our Branch Offices will furnish copies on request." THE IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA Incorporated in 1896 Head Office, Toronto, Canada.