

# PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

R. T. Holman Limited has received the following letter from Mr. T. A. Campbell, Provincial Fire Marshal.

December Ninth 1950

For the information of the General Public the undersigned wishes to state that I inspected the premises of R. T. Holman Limited especially their Toyland Department, situated on the third floor, in regards to a Fire Hazard which might or might not exist there.

I have made a very thorough inspection of this Department and my report is as follows:—

- (1) The only time this Department is overcrowded is during the appearance of Santa Claus each Tuesday and Friday afternoon from 2 o'clock until 4 o'clock. I have, therefore, instructed R. T. Holman Limited that the maximum number of people allowed on their 3rd floor at one time is limited to (80) Eighty.
- (2) Two members of the Charlottetown Fire Department and one male employee of Holman's are on special duty, on this floor during the period of operation.
- (3) Four 2½ gallon Fire Extinguishers have been provided for this floor and are available for instant use.
- (4) A minimum amount of inflammable material has been used for the purpose of decorating.
- (5) Smoking is absolutely prohibited on the premises.
- (6) A rear Exit leads from the Toyland Floor to another building which is separated from Toyland by a solid brick wall and Fire Proof Door.
- (7) Three or four years ago this Company, at considerable expense, erected a rear Fire Escape Exit which is easily accessible and is in good condition. This Fire Escape leads to the ground.

I am quite satisfied that Holman's have taken every reasonable Fire Precaution to afford shoppers protection on this floor.

Your very truly,  
**T. A. CAMPBELL,**  
Provincial Fire Marshal.

## Milton W. A. Annual Meeting

Mrs. Ernest Coles was re-elected President of the W. A. of St. John's Church, Milton at the annual meeting of that society held at her home on Monday evening. Mrs. Coles has held this office for eleven years and the members voiced their appreciation of her untiring zeal and wise leadership. The other officers named were:— Vice President—Mrs. Ira Rodd. Recording and Correspondence secretary—Mrs. Lindsay Coles. Treasurer—Mrs. Gerald Hooper. Prayer Partner Secretary—Mrs. Roy Coles.

Social Service Secretary—Mrs. A. E. Piercey. Educational Secretary—Mrs. Garth Hooper and Miss Elsie Hooper. Living Message Secretary—Mrs. Robert Hooper. Delegates to Annual Meetings—Mrs. Roy Coles, and Mrs. Garth Hooper. The reports showed a successful year's work. All financial pledges had been met. A large outfit for All Saint's Indian Residential School had been assembled. Food parcels sent to retired clergy in England and some furnishings placed in the Rectory. Refreshments were served by the hostess and her daughters. The next meeting will be held early in the New Year.

## CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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**THE ENDOWMENT FUND** of the Protestant Orphanage has been increased by \$97.81 from the Estate of the late Arthur F. McQuaid, Souris.

**SAD NEWS RECEIVED** — Mrs. C. P. Stewart, Southport, and Mr. Percy Mutch, received the sad news of the death of their brother Fred Mutch in Vancouver, B. C.

**ROYAL SALUTE** — A Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired at noon yesterday at Victoria Park in honour of the Accession to the Throne of His Majesty King George the Sixth on Dec. 11, 1936. The firing party from the 114th L.A.A. Battery was under command of Capt. M. E. Campbell.

**CITY POLICE COURT** — At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, a man convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated was sentenced to seven days in jail. Six men charged with being drunk and incapable appeared. One was a remanded case, the man being awarded a 10 days' suspended sentence, while another was sentenced to 10 days in jail. Two were fined \$10 and costs or 10 days, another \$5 and costs or 10 days and the remaining drunk \$5 and costs or five days.

**ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH** — The regular service at St. Stephen's Church, Burlington, on Sunday, November 26th, was in memory of the late Archbishop Kingston, Bishop of Nova Scotia, and Primate of all Canada, and was conducted by Rev. W. J. Phillips. The minister paid tribute to and gave thanks for the late Bishop's life of service, burdened by cares, which might have been lightened by more prayer and a greater offering of service by his people. He told of touching incidents showing the concern of the late primate for each individual soul under his spiritual leadership, even when worn out with official duties, like the good Samaritan, who though he was busy as any one, found time to be a good neighbor. Applying the matter to church people, he suggested that they might be so busy going to church with all its organizations, that neighbors, who also need the church, might be forgotten. The speaker concluded by singing the hymn, "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go." —Bur.

## Monthly Meeting Junior League Ch'town Hospital

The regular monthly meeting of the Junior League of the Charlottetown Hospital was held at the Nurses' Residence on Tuesday evening December 5th. The meeting opened with prayer by the President, Mrs. Bernard Hughes. Twenty seven members were present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion of the Secretary, seconded by Miss Elida Jenkins, were adopted. The report of the Treasurer was read by Mrs. Gerald Johnston, and showed all bills paid to date. Mrs. Fred MacMillan reported for the Walking Doll Lottery and a place has been given by R. T. Holman Ltd., to display and lottery the doll. Members were asked to take turns each day in selling tickets.

It was decided that each member give a donation of a jar of Jam, Jelly, Pickles or Chow, which would be sent to the Maternity floor to be used at Christmas for the patients on that floor. There will be no meeting held next Tuesday December 12th so these donations will be taken to the following meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 9. On motion of Ethel Brown, seconded by Mrs. Dan Noonan this donation was approved.

The regular Christmas Donations to the following were sent. Precious Blood Monastery, St. Vincent's Orphanage, and Social Welfare Bureau.

A Birthday Party was the topic of discussion, which will include all the members of the League and will be held in January.

It was also decided to hold a parcel post sale, instead of the usual rummage sale in February. Arrangements to be made after Christmas. On motion of Ethel Brown, seconded by Mrs. Walthea Gaudet the meeting adjourned.

Tea was served by Mrs. J. A. McMillan, Mrs. J. H. Maloney, Mrs. Alex. MacIsaac and Mrs. Thomas Monaghan.

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## Religion and Life

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First Moderator of the United Church of Canada  
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The Christmas bells are already ringing. The Christmas spirit is abroad in the land. The Santa Claus parades have stirred all Toronto and many other places. Christmas is the children's festival, and the hearts of the children are filled with gladness and expectancy because of the new atmosphere of love and generosity which the season brings. Older folk relive their youth as they participate in the children's joy.

But what about the adults' celebration of Christmas? In a current publication our eye caught sight of the phrase "A Christian Christmas." It flashed into many minds in thought: What a boon it would be to the whole nation, and particularly to our city, if we could have in this year of grace a celebration of Christmas that is really Christian!

We found an interesting note in the third volume of Winston Churchill's history of the Second World War. Immediately after "Pearl Harbor" had plunged the United States into the titanic struggle he visited President Roosevelt in Washington. The conflict was at a critical stage; the burdens on those two great souls were too heavy for human strength to bear. Right in the

midst of his descriptions of their thoughts and doings, Churchill wrote: "The President and I went to church together on Christmas Day, and I found peace in the simple service, and enjoyed singing the well-known hymns, and one, O Little Town of Bethlehem, I had never heard before. Certainly there was much to fortify the faith of all who believe in the moral government of the universe."

The hymns, such as the beautiful one he mentions, deal largely with the wondrous birth, and to this laden spirit they suggested the truth behind the Christmas story. It is that God has intervened in the human conflict on our side. He has entered our nature in the person of His Son, and has brought His resources to our support. A good God has released His power on behalf of His goodness.

What an anomaly it is to celebrate by sinful excesses the birth of Him who came to save from sin! Yet riotous indulgences are a problem for every city in the sacred season. Everywhere there is a tendency to transform holy days into holidays. By common consent Christmas is both. The Christmas services express our joy in our Redeemer's coming, and we carry that spirit into the cele-

## ZION CHURCH

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

THURS. DEC. 14th. at 8p.m.

Silver Collection in aid of Choir Funds

Anthems — Carols

brations in our homes. May we not appeal to every hostess to see that in her entertainment everything contrary to the true Christian spirit is avoided? There are also hosts, particularly in our hotels, who can do much to guard the sacredness of the season: may we not count on them for a special effort this year?

Here are certain other features which should characterize "A Christian Christmas." The season should be marked in every home by giving as well as getting. We should say, giving rather than getting, in view of Jesus' specific instructions on this point. In Luke 6:32-36 He speaks of giving without thought of return as the spirit which should mark His followers. To give in order to receive as much again is the principle governing those who know not the love of God. Nothing is more necessary than to teach our young people to contribute to the happiness of others in a time like this. It will multiply their

pleasure manifold. At this Christmas there should be a drive for peace. For weeks the world has been trembling on the verge of a third world war. A great fear grips the souls of the thoughtful persons; in this crisis a mistake by a soldier or statesman might precipitate the conflict. There have been far too few prayers for peace. Many people feel that they do not count in world affairs and have been too free in comments and criticisms provocative of strife. Now everybody does count; everyone has an influence which can be used for either reconciliation or provocation.

There are many who fear lest efforts toward peace mean appeasement of the tyrants of today, and everyone knows that this would be a sure way to war. But without abating one jot or tittle of the principles for which Christ-

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