

No, boys and girls—he hasn't forgotten Georgetown! We've just received word that jolly old Santa will be here in person on Saturday afternoon, December 19th, with his usual Christmas treat for you. There'il be plenty of goodies for all! Now is your chance to tell him per-

sonally what you'd like him to put in your stocking when he creeps down your chimney Xmas eve. There's lots of snow to make it just that much easier for his reindeer to bring him to the Community Christmas Tree sharp at 3 p.m. He knows every kiddie in town and will be disappointed if he doesn't see you there.

Santa has to have his helpers, you know, and on Saturday afternoon the Georgetown Lions' Club are going to be his right-hand men.

Mothers and Dads-you'll be at the Tree with the children. We hope you've bought your lucky draw ticket for the big Christmas Fowl Raffle which the Lions' Club are holding after the kiddies have their treat. Your support of the Club's activities makes such things possible. We know there are thousands of needy children overseas, and we contribute as much as we possibly can to the funds which go to their aid. Meanwhile, however, we mustn't lose sight of the young ones right in our own town who need assistance of some kind. That is the job of the Georgetown Lions' Club and they are deserving of support.

So-come on everybody-let's meet at the Lions' Community Christmas Tree a week from Saturday, to wish each other a Very Merry Christmas!

IT'S DECIDEDLY AWKWARD

The new transportation ruling whereby a person may not travel for more than fifty miles on the same bus, has given rise to some peculiar situations. A person in Toronto wishing to go to Guelph may not do so-at least not without a great deal of trouble and inconvenience. They may go only as far as Acton (technically a few miles beyond but that would leave them stranded in the country). There they must get off the bus and wait for the next one to come through from Toronto. They board this bus and continue their journey to Guelph.

The part of the scheme which is hardest to understand, is the fact that the original bus is allowed to continue its trip right through to Guelph, and oftentmes with only one or two passengers. The bus service is exactly the same, to date, and other than making it so awkward for people that they will not travel beyond the 50 miles radius, we can see no point in the plan.

HE GAVE SOME SOUND ADVICE

We hope you heard Winston Churchill's address last Sunday. Each time we listen to him, the more convinced we are that when ultimate victory comes to us and our Allies, no small measure of credit will be due his sane leadership during these darkest of times. He faces facts and does not believe in lulling the people into a sense of false security by viewing the progress of the war through rose-coloured glasses. He told us there were still probably several years of hard bitter struggle ahead until we have crushed the Nazi hordes, but we have passed the crisis and have them on the run.

The latest war news is still more encouraging. At time of writing, the Russian offensives on the Central and Stalingrad fronts are continuing steadily and surely in the face of stubborn enemy resistance. The decisive battle for Tunisia apears to have been joined, and already the enemy forces have suffered heavy losses. Montgomery appears to be about ready to drive

Rommel's forces from El Agheila.

The latest turns of the war are worrying Mussolini greatly, judging from his most recent speech. He evidently heard Mr. Churchill's address, and would do well to take the advice offered. Germany has had time to fortify the Northern coast of France and Denmark too strongly for the Allies to attempt an invasion there. He must see the handwriting on the wall. Our only alternative, and the one to which we are successfully working now, is to attack from the Mediterranean coast. Mr. Churchill is right. We have no quarrel with the mislead Italian people themselves, and think it time they awoke to the realization of where their path to salvation lies.

BUY AT HOME

With the Christmas shopping season now in full swing, we'd like to remind you that by following the "Buy at Home" policy which your local paper has always advocated, you'll find quality and prices that compare favourably with any city stores. The merchants have been laying in good stocks of Christmas merchandise and are deserving of your patronage in Christmas shopping as well as every-day purchasing.

You'll like the friendly atmosphere and individual attention which is present when you shop in town. Each store is a unit completely familiar with its own line of stock and so its Sales Staff can advise you how to spend your money to the best advantage.

We know that "time" is at a premium at Christmas, and one sure way to save it is by watching the ads. This week, and for the next two weeks, The Herald will be brimful of ads, telling you what the stores have to offer. Pay particular attention to them. They will give you ideas for gifts you have not quite decided on, and will tell you where to shop for the articles you have already decided to give.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL CUNDAY

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Lesson for December 13

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THE VALUE OF THE CHURCH TO

THE SOCIAL ORDER LESSON TEXT-Matthew \$-13-16; Mark 12 13 17, 1 Peter 2 13-17 COLDEN TEXT-Ve are the falt of the

Matthew 8:13, 16

in the church the strongest influence obscured by the prevalent idea that for good in all the world. One mur- joining the church is just like joinrels that those who profess to seek ing any other organization. We need the best for humanity, who try ev to be reminded again and again that ery kind of social experiment, who the local or denominational organilabor with every expedient of man, ration has real meaning only as it full to see and use in full measure represents in the world a fellowship the power of Christianity Perhaps of true believers who, by the new the explanation is that some of these birth, have become part of the living leaders are themselves umsaved and true church, which is the body men, who do not understand spiritu- of which Christ is the Head. al things, and are not willing to give It is likewise essential that be-God the glory Perhaps in the case tievers know what their membership of others it is because of ignorance in the church means, so that they or lack of contact with the church. Whatever the reason, the situation should be remedied. America could solve her problems, both so cial and political, by a nation-wide revival of true Christianity, with the accompanying sulvation of thousaids of unconverted. If we cannot have that, let us not fail to have a revival in our own hearts. our own churches, our neighborhoods or communities. We find in our lesson that the

church in

Good (Matt. 5:13-16). the Christian

Believers are the "salt of the things which are above. earth" because they draw their saor from God Himself The Christar, church, by God's own statewhich preserves the social order which sometimes seems imminent ins well as in creed. It should, therefore, be honored and i d serves

Christians are the "light of the world," and it is the essential nature of light to shine. The darker its surroundings the more marked its brightness, and the more needed ts illumination. The good works of Christians reflect the goodness of God, and so they glorify His worthy name. Brother, is your light burning brightly in this wicked world? II. A Stabilizing Element in So-

ciety (Mark 12 13-17) and our own country has its share if "isms" and social theories calling men to follow, asking their loysithout foundation

properly suspected of having purposes far from beneficial to our American way of life, or to democracy itself. Yet they dare not oppose them lest there be the cry of iental of freedom of speech; etc. What can we do to meet them? Here is the answer: Preach Christ Bring men to a saving knowledge of Him and to a godly way of living For the Christian is directed by Christ Himself to "render unto Cae sar the things that are Caesar's". and they do it too, because they have first rendered "to God the

things that are God's." III. A Loyal Example of Good Citizenship (I Pet. 2:13-17). The highest measure of loyalty to

country is the Christian standard here stated. In Romans 13:1-10 we learn that all authority comes from God and that the power of rulers is to be recognized as His gift. That means that true rulers will submit to Him in every detail of their govrument, seeking to know and to do free from the limitations and the

shedience to the "powers that be" Christian is one of love, pence, joy, the source of their power. This is Let us make it just that in this world subject only to the limitation that of hatred, war, sorrow, division, they may not demand that we do weeping and ingratitude. those things that dishonor God's to rule comes from Him, they have love (use "love" for charity in v. no authority to tell anyone to do that [14) is the bond which unites these that happens, the Higher Authority is harmonious and well-balanced. akes over and our loyalty must be to Him, the King of kings The be the ruling factor in such a life, Christian then will be the best citi- controlling the heart, the seat of en, eager to do what king or coun Iman's emotions and affections. try may ask, in order thus to bear a | Such a life is cultivated and de

other lands reveals the names of and receiving of the Word into the many illustrious Christian patriots, heart. and the roll of honor of those whe Christian faith expresses itself in oved and served their country well song. "Thou hast put gladness in in the humble and difficult places. my heart" (Ps. 4:7), and that means would bear its hundreds of thou- a song. How true it is that hymns

on the roll of the church. Christian citizen,

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CUNDAY JCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for December 6

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LESSON TEXT-Colossians 3:1-17. GOLDEN TEXT-Now 10 are the body of Christ, and members in particular .- I Corts

MEMBERSHIP

Church membership means Social and political leaders have great deal; a fact which has been

> may fully appreciate it and properly present it to the world.

L A New LHe (vv. 1-3). The church member is (or should be) a Christian, that is, one who has passed from death to life through the regenerating work of God in Christ (John 3:6, 7). Thus he has become "a new creature; old things nave passed away; behold all things are become new" (11 Cor. 5:17).

This new spiritual being has en tirely changed interests and desires. The things of the world which he 1. A Powerful Influence for Moral used to love have now become distasteful to him. The things of the Salt in the midst of corruption. Spirit which used to seem strange both in a world of unbelievable and not understandable to him (I tarkness-what striking and mean. Cor. 2:14) now become the center ngful figures with which to describe of his life. Being risen with Chrisin newness of life he seeks those

II. A Changed Life (vv. 4-13). Setting one's heart upon things above means that the life will be ment, is His own powerful antiseptic | changed There will be a putting off of the things of earth and a puttom falling into the moral decay ting on of the new man, in practice

Although the Christian is a new encouraged by that society which creature in Christ, he bears with him until he dies (or Jesus comes) the old nature, which tries to hold him down, to draw him back to the worldly and fleshly things from which he was saved

But the Christian is to "make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof" (Rom 13:14) He is rather to "reckon" himself "to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive into God through Jesus Christ our Lord "

This calls for an act of his will (and a represed or continuous act) The world is in social ferment, by which he polls away the sinful things mentioned in verses 5-9. One might sum them up in two groups: (1) sexual indecency and immoralalty, making them Utopian promises, ity (v. 5), and (2) wicked words and attitudes (vv. 8, 0). The early Alert and intelligent Americans church had no corner on such sins. ire concerned about these clamor. They mar Christian fellowship now. us voices, many of which are quite They ought not do so, for the church member should show the new life of the soul by a changed life before his fellowman.

> 111. A Gracious Life (vv. 14-17). Too often, following Christ-and church membership-has not seemed attractive to the unbellever, nor has it recommended the grace of God, because it has been a sad, unpleasant, negative thing which God never intended it to be.

To the average non-Christian (rightly or wrongly), the matter of being a Christian seems to be rather drab affair of denying one's self the interesting and pleasant things of life. Those who feel that way have never seen the real thing. for if they had, they would sense (even though they could not understand it) that here was the fulfillment of all that is best in life.

The purpose and plan of God for man is that he should be in fellowship with Him, and thus to be set disappointments of human life apart However, the Christian gives toyal from God. The normal life of the ven though they may not recognize fellowship, praise and thankfulness.

This portion of Scripture merits name. Since their only real power a closer examination. Note first that which is against His holy will. When Christian graces into a whole which

Naturally, the peace of Christ will

good testimony and to close the veloped by the indwelling of God's wouth of foolish critics of the Word and (note it) "richly." The weakness of many a church is found The history of our country and of right here—there is so little teaching

sands of names which are found also and songs teach and admonish us. The life of the Christian church

Christians, let us be earnest and member is always conditioned by intelligent followers of Christ, whose one perfect controlling influencelives count for moral uprightness. the will of God. He does all things, For God and Country" is the excel- even the supposedly little or secular should be the purpose of every which goes up like a sweet incense their worth, because at first their to hold any further meetings the to the Fether through Christ.

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NORTH HALTON MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION MEETS

Flight-Lieutenant Bruce Jenning, a

day afternoon in the United Church, mended the high calibre of the wo-He told those assembled about the men in the forces.

ant. He quoted a high ranking officer, who said a cer:am chaplain he knew was worth a million dollars to the Air Force every year because of chaplain in the R.C.A.F., was guest the number of lives he saved for air speaker at the North Halton Minis- crew through helping them solve doterial Association meeting held Mon- meetic and mental problems. He com-

duties of a chaplain in the Air Porce. The meeting was in charge of Rev. and of how they were of theetimable E. Brooks, rector of Acton Anglican value in helping the men through the Church. Ministers were present from difficult period of mustering. The gov- Milton, Hornby. Acton and Ballinafad. but it should be more than that; it Jesus, with a constant thankfulness that because at first their to hold any further meetings till