



Saint Nicholas

Saint Nicholas, the beloved gift-giver, was born in the semi-tropical city of Patara, Turkey, and lived a full and colorful life without travelling very far from home.

It is said that he was marked for holiness from the day of his birth, at which time, according to legend, he stood up in his mother's arms to give thanks to God for being born. Even as an infant, he refused to nurse on Fridays, and he observed this fast day as long as he lived.

The origin of the three gold gifts which hang over the open window and he repeated the act of generosity until bones from the chapel in Myra all three girls were suitably and married. This was the beginning of legend of Nicholas, the kindly donor of gifts.

Later, as Bishop of Myra, he and his fame has spread to the performed miracles which brou-

Meeting of Institute Music, Carols For

The Christmas meeting of Esquimaux-W.I. held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawson, Thursday evening, December 14th, was well attended.

The President presided and opened the meeting with the Institute Ode; and Mary Stewart Collect. The members observed one minute silence, followed by the reading of the 23rd Psalm by Mrs. Robert Lawson, in memory of Mrs. J. Sanford, who passed away suddenly, the previous week. Mrs. Sanford had been a valued Institute member for a good many years and she will be greatly missed, as she was one who attended regularly, and took her part well.

The Roll Call was answered with members returning the Reverend Children jars, given out a year ago.

As usual, a donation was sent to the Hospital for Sick Children.

David Capperault Again Elected Legion President

Last Sunday afternoon the annual elections of Branch 120 were held, and this year saw a good crowd attending once again.

A number of the officers for 1962 were acclamations, a comparatively unusual state of affairs in branch history.

Following are a list of those elected to guide the destinies of the Branch for next year.

President: David Capperault
1st Vice Pres.: Ralph Hawes
2nd Vice Pres.: Merle Reid

Treasurer: W. Thompson
Secretary: Charlie Day
Executive: L. Cross, G. Collier, C. Kidd, K. DeRose
Sergeant at Arms: J. Beattie

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Kay's Beauty Salon

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Jewelled Pin For United Church W. A. Convener

Mrs. Ian Fleming conducted a most impressive Candlelight service at the December meeting of Group 3 W.A. of St. John's United Church on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. R. T. Wright of 27 Charles Street was hostess.

Candles and a nativity scene were the setting for Mrs. Fleming's message on the theme, "Light is a symbol of Jesus' birth." Mrs. A. M. Nielsen assisted with reading "One Solitary Life." Mrs. J. B. Hicks and Mrs. G. Bishop read Scripture passages depicting the Christmas story and with Mrs. Fleming sang two trios: "O Come all ye Faithful" and "We Three Kings." A moment of silent prayer was followed by Mrs. Fleming bringing the ladies before the throne of grace in earnest prayer.

A duet by Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Fleming "Dear Little Stranger," was most appropriate.

Unfortunately, we do have a few extras to make sure the children have the treats so necessary to them, at this time of year. There is a box at our local grocery store. When you do your shopping, will you help us fill the box? Truly, it is more blessed to give than to receive.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish the Editor and staff of the Herald, as well as our readers, a very Merry Christmas.

GREAT STORY WAS HIDDEN FOR CENTURIES

Through his unforgettable Christmas stories, Charles Dickens brought the spirit of Christmas to millions, and achieved much fame during his lifetime.

One of his most moving narratives, however, remained hidden from the world for years, at his own request. Some two hundred years after it was written exclusively for the joyment of his children, Dickens' "The Life of Our Lord" was first presented to the world.

The author's deep veneration for the life and lessons of Jesus Christ are found in these words:

"Everybody ought to know who was so good, so kind, so gentle, and so sorry for people who did wrong or were in any way ill and miserable, as he was.

"And as he is now in Heaven, where we all hope to go, and all meet each other after we are dead, and there he is happy always together, you can never think what a good place heaven is, without knowing who He was and what He did."

Dickens left instructions that "The Life of Our Lord" not be commercialized and it was never made public until the year 1932, after death of Sir Henry Fielding Dickens, the author's youngest child.

The literary prize was then purchased by the London Daily Express, and a considerable amount of thought and work had



THERE'S SANTA: Father and son pause in their window shopping to inspect Santa Claus surrounded by huge candy canes in window of Chicago department store. Boy! Get a load of those lollipops, pop. They'd last a fellow an awfully long time.

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There will be two discussion programmes for farmers in this area, presented by the Ontario Agricultural College, on January 2nd and 3rd. These meetings are being held in connection with the annual Winter Short Courses, but are open to all wishing to attend.

On Tuesday, January 2nd, there will be a panel discussion, "Research for Ontario Farmers." The chairman for this will be Dr. D. N. Huntley, director of Ontario Agriculture Research Institute.

On Wednesday, January 3rd the topic will be the "Economic Outlook." Chairman for this will be Prof. D. R. Campbell, head of the Department of Agriculture Economics.

Both programmes will start at 6:30 each evening. The meetings will be held in the Physical Education Building, O.A.C., Guelph.

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Lighting the candles as symbols of forgiveness, peace, joy and love. Mrs. Fleming stressed the thought that God came to bring forgiveness. Jesus Christ brought peace and joy. Let us prepare our hearts to receive these wonderful gifts in the true spirit of Christmas, accept God's love as expressed in Jesus Christ. All then joined in singing softly "Silent Night, Holy Night."

The treasurer's report, given by Mrs. V. MacDonald, showed the group had a very successful year financially. A special offering was taken up and fifteen dollars will be sent to CARE. Donations of home-made preserves, jams, Christmas cake, etc. were brought to the meeting and were sent to the Fred Victor Mission, Toronto, in brich-

Christmas Day for a few needy people.

Mrs. J. Kirkwood who has been convener of the Group for four years, was presented with a beautiful jeweled pin. Miss Hazel Harrison made the presentation and spoke a few words of appreciation to Mrs. Kirkwood on behalf of the members.

Mrs. A. M. Nielsen then conducted a contest which tested

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