

Naming Santa

Santa, the giver of many gifts, is a man of many names, too. While he is becoming almost universally known as Santa Claus, Santa or St. Nick, many European children still wait for the arrival of St. Nicholas.

St. Nicholas was the first of Santa's names and came from a real bishop in the fourth century, A.D. He is said to travel not by reindeer but on horseback, and wear a bishop's robes.

Over the years, Santa has picked up other names. In France he's Père Noël, in Finland Father Christmas, in Germany Kris Kringle, in Russia Father of Grandfather Frost.

Name Mrs. D. Madaren President at St. John's

The December 3 General Meeting of St. John's United Church Women was opened in prayer by the presiding President Mrs. H. Hogan. The low attendance was blamed on the snow and ladies working in the stores.

The Devotional, taken by Unit II, opened with the carol, "Silent Night"; the second chapter of Luke was read by Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Dobson also read a Christmas message. The singing of "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" concluded this portion of the meeting.

Various announcements were included in the business portion; then Rev. I. Fleming presided and the following slate of officers were elected for 1965 executive:

Honorary President - Mrs. Ian M. Fleming, Past President - Mrs. L. King, President - Mrs. D. Madaren, First Vice-President - Mrs. H. Hogan, Recording Secretary - Mrs. M. McArthur, Corresponding Secretary - Mrs. D. French, Treasurer - Mrs. R. E. Wilson, Executive Secretary - Mrs. V. Nelson. Chairmen: Christian Citizenship & Social Action - Mrs. W. Brownridge, Community Friendship & Visitation - Mrs. A. Slomp, Co-operation in Christian Education and Missionary Education - Mrs. C. Buck, Finance - Mrs. H. C. Wrixleyworth, Flowers - Mrs. F. Sinclair, Literature & Communication - Mrs. D. Latimer, Masses - Mrs. V. McCumber, Membership - Mrs. S. Hall, Press and Publicity - Mrs. J. Hamilton, Social Functions - Mrs. K. Hoyat, Stewardship & Recruiting - Mrs. J. Rumbach, Supply & Special Assistance - Mrs. J. Kaylor, Observer to Sessions - Mrs. C. Hayes, Nominating Committee - Mrs. G. Ironside, Mrs. K. Richardson, Mrs. E. Hall.

The President, Mrs. D. Madaren, welcomed to the chair by Rev. Fleming, spoke a few words and welcomed the new

executive members. Rev. Fleming pronounced the Benediction, and then lunch provided by Unit A was served by the

Thompson Denies Rumours Sacred Uniting with P-Cs

Social Credit Leader Robert Thompson this week denied rumors that he had been approached by Conservative businessmen who have to form a new party. The rumors circulated after Mr. Thompson visited here last Thursday to speak at a dinner of Maple Baptist Church which was attended by many local businessmen.

Mr. Thompson also said he knows of no talks reported to have been held in Ottawa between representatives of his party and the Conservatives about the formation of a new party uniting the two.

"I can't understand such a report," he said in an interview following a report in a Montreal newspaper that he had been approached here by people urging the formation of a new party and that the tentative talks on merging two parties had been held at Ottawa.

"I have not had any high level meeting with any executive of the Conservative party and I am not pushing anything I just reject the whole story as such."

Mr. Thompson said, "In the present situation the public is doubtful about and fairly well

Burt-Guyett Wedding Maple Baptist Church

Rev. Bruce Woods officiated at a 4:00 p.m. marriage ceremony on December 4th in Maple Ave. Baptist Church when Mrs. Jean Guyett and Mr. William Burt were united in marriage.

Friends later attended a wedding dinner at the bride's home, 6 Gibbons Place, and Mr. and Mrs. Burt left for a short honeymoon trip to northern Ontario.

fed up with the Liberals and there is growing discontent inside the Tory party and so we have a vacuum building up here. There are a lot of people who do not want a socialist party so they are looking for someone else to go."

Mr. Thompson said this kind of discussion and speculation has been general in political circles but that there was nothing happened last week that made formation of a new party any more real

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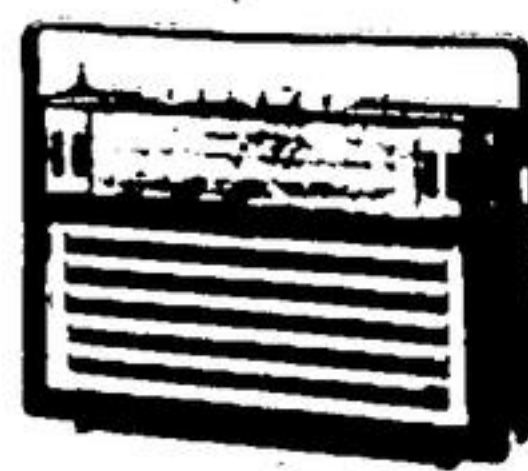
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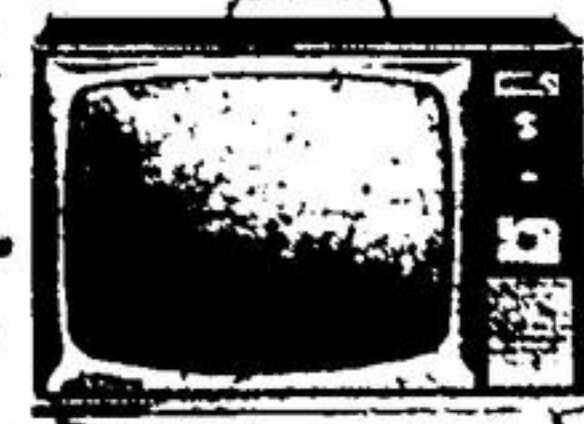
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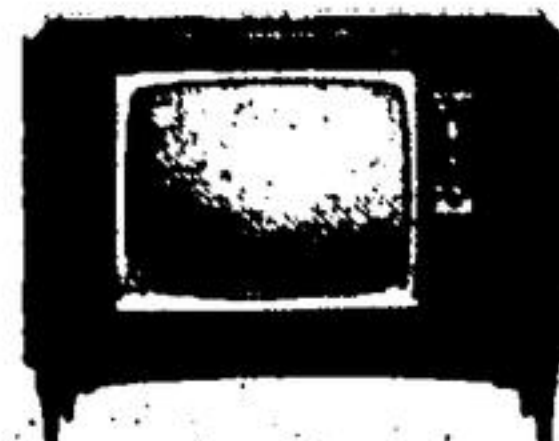
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