

CHRISTMAS AFTERMATH

My little folk Their wee prayers said, To me each spoke, Then went to bed. Said I (so wise), "When church bells chime You will arise, 'Tis Christmas time."

The drowsy eyelids closed in slumber, And Santa dreams were theirs in number; Of wonderlands where fairies are, To them they seemed not very far; And lo, strange whispers came that night, That told of Christmas-tree alight, Of merry cheer and mistletoe, And reindeer flying over snow; They wakened from their dreams of bliss, Such wonder-things they would not miss!

And while we slept at three a.m., Their busy minds were working; then They tip-toed downstairs and behold! Saint Nicholas, as good as gold, Had been there; heaps of parcels laid On tree and table; ne'er afraid Of early hours or parents' scorn, They soon proceeded to adorn The house; the elfin people bright Must certainly have laughed that night. The curious, then satisfied, Into my bed crept and beside Me cuddled close, and soon were borne On wings of sleep to Christmas morn.

Aileen Ward

CHRISTMASTIDE

Within our hearts at Christmastide May joy and love and peace abide, Ahead of all the outward show, Of tinsel and of candle glow. Helen L. Oram

NOT DISCOURAGED

The vacuum-cleaner salesman who had an appointment found the housewife unable to keep it. He suggested the following day. "That's my busy day," she said. "If you call then you'll find me in a whirligig." "That won't worry me, madam," said the salesman. "My last customer was in a kimono."

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The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4th, 1948

BELIEFS THAT MATTER

Golden Text.—Every one who believes that Jesus Christ is a child of God, and every one who loves the parent loves the child. 1 Jno. 5: 1. Lesson Text.—Jno. 20: 30-31; Acts 16: 11-15; 1 Tim. 4: 16; 1 Jno. 5: 1-5.

Exposition.—I. The Diety of Christ, Jno. 20: 30, 31.

Jesus wrought many works of Divine power, "signs" of His being sent by God as the Messiah, which are not recorded in this gospel nor in the other gospels. In selecting from all "the signs" that Jesus performed John recorded he had just one purpose in mind: convincing men "that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God" in order that by "believing" this from the heart, "they might have life in his name." The best way to get that faith in Jesus that brings life is to read this gospel in the right way (Jno. 7: 17).

The Diety of Christ is the substance of the Gospel. On it all other doctrines of our faith depend. The attack on Christ's Diety has been a constant one and continues to this day. But our Lord is the wonderful "Saviour" described in the Gospels.

II. Regeneration and Salvation, Acts 16: 11-15.

In this chapter we have two typical cases of conversion, this one and the one recorded in vs. 19-34. They illustrate how different are the emotional experiences of two persons in two equally clear and divinely certified cases of conversion. The work of European evangelization began with a handful of praying women. Nevertheless, that was one of the most notable gatherings of all history. The word spoken resulted in the conversion of a prominent and pious woman, Lydia, "whose heart the Lord opened."

That was the turning point. There is no hope for any woman, or man either, unless the Lord opens their heart (Jno. 6: 44, 45; Eph. 1: 17, 18; Luke 24: 45). But this He is more than willing to do. The steps in Lydia's conversion are very plainly marked and typical. (1) She went out to pray (v. 13). (2) She heard the Word (vs. 13, 14; cf. Jno. 5: 24). (3) The Lord opened her heart. (4) She gave heed unto the things which were spoken (v. 14, R. V.). (5) She was baptized (v. 15, cf. ch. 2: 41; Mk. 16: 16).

God demands on the part of those who accept Jesus as their Saviour and surrender to Him as their Lord an open confession of Him before the world, and the divinely appointed way of such confession is baptism (Ac. 2: 38). Lydia carried her whole household with her (vs. 31, 33; 1 Cor. 1: 16). Lydia's heart went out in gratitude toward those whom God had used as instruments in her conversion, and she constrained them to come into her house and abide there. Though it was the Lord who opened Lydia's heart her conversion was by human instrumentality, as was every conversion recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. That is very solemn, and it ought to lead some of us to ask, 'Am I so completely at the Lord's disposal that He can use me for the conversion of those I can reach and no one else can?'

III. Indocrination, 1 Tim. 4: 16.

We see how important it is to study the doctrines of God revealed in the Bible. Timothy was a preacher taught by Paul. He was informed that doctrine was essential (1) to his salvation and (2) to that of his hearers. Doctrine therefore must lead to consecration and service. Discuss the reality and effect of conversion, justification, sanctification, redemption, and prophecy, and these lead to devotion and spiritual service.

IV. Signs of Conversion, 1 Jno. 5: 1-5.

What is this "believing" cited in this passage? It is that which our Lord exhorted His disciples to exercise, and which they, in turn, enjoined upon all who professed to name the name of their common Lord and Master. It is that to which salvation is everywhere appended in the Word of God. It is, moreover, the duty of all men. Jesus Christ is worthy of the confidence of all believers, and it therefore, is their bounden duty to confide in Him. At the same time, this faith wherever it exists, is in every case, without exception, the gift of God and the work of the Holy Spirit. He has wrought all our works in us, and our faith, too. One might ask: must not a man repent as well as believe? The reply is: no man ever believed in Jesus but what he repented at the same time. Faith and repentance go together. If I trust Christ to save me from sin, I am at the same time repenting of sin and my mind is changed in relation to sin, and everything else that has to do with it. All fruits meet for repentance are contained in faith itself—faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Saviour of mankind. What flows out of this? Love. We MUST love, if we are begotten of God, all those who also are born of God. First a man loves God, and then he loves all those whom God has begotten.

FRUSTRATION

"Frustrated cows give less milk" says Dr. W. E. Peterson, of the University of Minnesota. "After a hard day in the clover Susie is in no mood to be pushed around by some man, possibly trying to offset some inferiority complex of his own."



By ROSS PEAREN

Orchids go to the Oakville Club, who came to Milton on Boxing Day to complete the hockey program as arranged by the Milton Intermediate Hockey Club. As had been advertised the Toronto Stock Yard team was scheduled to arrive for the game, but late on Friday morning, their official informed the Milton Club they could not be present to fulfill the engagement.

Milton was on the spot. Fans were expecting a game, the team was eager for a work-out, but there was no person to play with.

Following a hurried call to the Port Town, officials there agreed to come to Milton and fill the breach created by the Toronto club. Oakville is to be congratulated for their good sportsmanship in filling the breach. They brought up a gang of fellows who gave their all and it paid off. Of course the bulk of their team had played together a year ago, and their officials Freddie Turner and Baz Megaffin deserve a lot of credit. We certainly wish them all sorts of luck and success during the coming season.

Which brings us to the point that it is very hard to criticise a team without sufficient practice. Unfortunately the gang had only a couple of get-togethers, and they hardly knew what the other fellow was going to do. It was just the same as combining two horses into a team which had never worked together. One would want to haw and the other gee.

In spite of all that many of the players indicated they knew the game, and with sufficient practice and conditioning will make a decided bid for group honors.

Milton wants a winning team, and by fans giving them the support, we should be in there, this season.

During the week-end we ran into considerable argument and beefing by fans and citizens. While some argue the charges for hockey is exorbitant others more reasonably have concluded that with the increased cost of everything to-day, we are being let off easy.

At a meeting held in Georgetown over a week ago to draw up a league schedule, it was decided that all intermediate games in Fergus, Acton, Georgetown, Milton, Weston, Orangeville and Oakville would be played to an admission fee of fifty cents. This was decided unanimously by representatives from these different clubs, and it would be unfair if one club was to begin cut-rate tactics within the group.

Officials of the local club report that in one instance the price of hockey sticks have increased seventy-five cents over a year ago. In proportion the cost of other equipment has also been increased. Only a week ago in a featured article in the Montreal Standard, it described how it would cost the average individual \$50 to outfit his son with hockey equipment should he wish to become a budding hockey player. That's a pile of jack, and if a club carries fourteen players that amounts to only seven hundred bucks.

While these arguments cause the club undue worries, it illustrates the point that is prominent in all of the smaller centres, "that those who do the loudest hollering do the least work." Whether it be in sports or other phases of community life, the more co-operation among people, the more successful is the venture. Constructive criticism will always be acceptable, providing those who make the suggestions, assist in carrying them out.

A Brazilian palm tree supplies the wax used in shoe polish.

FRESH FROZEN FISH

The first trawler to assume the proportion of a factory ship has just been launched from a shipyard at Ardrossan, Scotland. Fish caught by this vessel—the Fairfree—will be filleted, quick-frozen and packed at sea within a few hours of being caught. Specially designed trays give a handy two-pound block of quick-frozen filets which, placed in cellophane bags and sealed, are not touched by hands again until bought by the consumer. Production of the Fairfree's refrigerator is one ton of whole or filleted fish per hour. Packed in 42-pound cartons, the filleted fish are taken by conveyor belt and chute to the refrigerated hold, which has a capacity of 150 tons.

To save fuel, windows should be kept closed during the winter except for a few minutes each day to air the house. If it is desired to open bedroom windows at night, close the room register on a warm air heating system, cover the radiator especially if it is under or near the open window.

GEORGETOWN

The Gray Coach busses were marooned for four hours last Thursday between Norval and Georgetown when heavy winds filled the highway with snow.

Bill Armstrong who is studying engineering at the University of Oklahoma is home from Tulsa for the Christmas holidays.

Tpr. and Mrs. Bruce Collins of Angus are spending two weeks in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Collins. Tpr. Collins is on furlough from Camp Borden, where he is stationed with the Canadian army.

Wilfred Hurren, Victoria Street, holding ticket number 5063 won the doll dressed in ten one dollar bills, offered as the major prize in the Lions Club Christmas draw on Main Street Saturday afternoon.—Herald.

BURLINGTON

A most successful Christmas dance was held last Saturday night at the R.C.S.C.C. Iron Duke, marking the end of the Sea Cadet Corps year.

Sam Peer has been appointed to the local police force to take the place of Stuart Emerson, who recently resigned, and has already commenced his duties.

Miss Margaret Taylor of Ottawa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Emerald Crescent, left by plane last Wednesday for St. Moritz and Geneva, Switzerland, where she will spend the holiday season. She will return to Ottawa on January 5th to resume her teaching duties.

"It's Hollywood. It's like a movie set. Right here in Burlington." That was the comment heard time and time again as more than six hundred fair ladies and their escorts "oh-and-ahed" as they attended the opening of the Brant Inn "New Look" party on Friday evening, December 19th.—Gazette.

HIGH ALUMINUM MARKET

Washington's tariff concession of one cent a pound on aluminum may open up a \$30 million market, reports The Financial Post. This would be nearly six times the size of the present one for Canada, representing a considerable increase in U.S. dollar earnings from this source.

In the first 10 months of 1947, Aluminum Co. of Canada exported 31 million pounds of aluminum to the United States, at the competitive price of 15c lb. for ingots, 14c for pig—a total of between \$4 million and \$5 millions.

Now it is rumored that the United States may possibly be in the market for 200 million lb. yearly, if power and production facilities make that quantity available here. Reduction of the U.S. tariff by 33%—from 3c to 2c lb.—should put Alcan in a definitely favorable position to meet U.S. competition.

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