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## Mexico — Land of Colour and Sunshine

By Ron Cairns

To see some of the world's oldest and most wonderful sights, one should visit the ancient cathedrals and monasteries of Mexico.

On the outside they have the appearance of an old gray, shabby shell of a building, and it is even worse on the inside. But as you enter, you are amazed at the beauty of the coloured statues on either side of the church. Literally everything in the cathedral is covered with gold, which in Mexico is used nearly as commonly as paint.

Large decorative chandeliers hang from the carved ceilings. Most of the cathedrals have a cluster of bells of various sizes and on occasion they ring out with wonderful music.

The historic old monasteries are most interesting. In older times the monastery was the centre of political activities in Mexico. Of course when explorers and conquerors first came, they found these monasteries in full control over the people, and as a result these buildings became the scene of

many a cruel battle. One such monastery lies not very far from Mexico City and 2 miles from the pyramids. This, the oldest monastery in Mexico, was the location of a heavy slaughter. The walls are actually still stained with blood. Some of the original paintings and mosaics are still visible. As in every monastery, this one also has a dungeon. The iron bars are still intact, with even a few of the remains in them. There is a cross in every room. The dining room is very large and the only source of light during the daytime is through narrow slits cut in the wall. This, of course, makes the room very dull.

At one end there is an enormous fireplace. The walls are colourfully painted with images of Christ, the Virgin Mary and the disciples. One room in the basement is damp, musty and black, with no light whatsoever. This room was used for solitary confinement and when I entered with my spotlight, I was shocked to see a skeleton still crumpled in the corner. This room, I learned, was not supposed to be entered by anyone, but I often find myself in such situations.

The monks never used to bury their dead, except for a short time. After the flesh deteriorated, they would dig them up and take the bones to a special room, where they would pile them up. One such room, I was told, was sixty feet long, forty feet wide and ten feet high, and at one time was completely filled with bones!

Another of Mexico's interesting sights is the Maximilian Castle in Mexico City, built during the Emperor's reign. The building has now been turned into a Museum of History and contains all the relics of importance that were used in warfare, such as instruments of torture and punishment of lawbreakers. The castle itself is situated on a hill overlooking Mexico City. The rooms have been preserved in their original state showing a marvelous display of carvings and furniture. To see this museum you pay 50 centavos or about 4 cents in our money. For anyone visiting Mexico D.F., the museum is a must.

My friend with whom I travelled down to Mexico, then decided to go to South America. I thought that since I was down so far south I might just as well see as much as I could. We left Mexico City the next morning for one of my biggest adventures.

The farther down we went the vegetation thickened and stretches of open desert became less frequent. The temperature climbed steadily as we left the mountains far behind and rode on level ground. By the time we reached Yucatan, it was 93 degrees and more humid than in Mexico D.F.

We stopped off at a banana plantation where we were shown around. This particular plantation was twenty-five acres of bananas and required plenty of help to keep the picking going. There are sometimes as many as 110 bananas on one stalk. We were told of losses of human life each week due to the very poisonous banana spiders.

Within four days we were in Panama. We reached the Panama Canal itself and here is where I parted from my friend, as I had decided to return to Mexico City.

On my way back I met a very well-spoken Mexican who had studied at the University of Mexico City. He took me to his home which was made of bamboo and had a thatched roof of banana leaves. Inside it was fairly light and a small fire was burning in the clay fireplace. His wife was busy patting out tortillas. I noticed what appeared to be a very large twenty foot boa-constrictor which I thought was stuffed. I remarked that it was a very novel decoration and proceeded to examine it closely, with a poke here, a press there and finally a pinch — that was it! Before I knew it I had a large dark head staring me in the face with a red forked tongue flinging out at me. I nearly fell over with shock. This enormous snake was a "house pet!" It seems that these snakes are very easily trained when caught young.

I stayed for supper and there was a large plate of meat in front of me. The meal was well advanced and while I was in the act of chewing a mouthful of meat I was asked, "You like meat?"

I replied, "Yes, it's very good, I like it very much. By the way what kind of meat is it?" I asked.

"Oh," he said, as I ate some more, "You eat dog?"

Well — after digesting the words, I calmly thanked him and struck out for Mexico City. Next Week — "My hitch-hike trip home."

You've got to admit that Mozart and Beethoven had it easier than the modern rock-and-roll composer, who has to think up all those different names for the same tune.

## Local and Personal Happenings

### NOTICE

The Betty Beauty Salon will be closed from Friday, March 30th to Tuesday, April 10th.

### GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday this week is a public holiday and stores will be closed.

Although there are reports of a good maple syrup season from western Ontario, the sap run locally has been very poor and makers are still patiently waiting for the weather to warm up.

The funeral will be held this Thursday afternoon to Ebenezer Cemetery, Milliken, for the late Gertrude Eckardt. Miss Eckardt passed away at the Brierbush Hospital here on Monday, after an illness of some duration. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Eckardt of Milliken.

The death occurred at Mt. Albert on Friday, of R. Frank Cunningham. Deceased was the father-in-law of Mrs. Howard Cunningham of Sharon, the former Margaret Forsyth of Stouffville. The late Frank Cunningham, and Mrs. Harold Agnew also of Stouffville. The late Mr. Cunningham is survived by his wife the former Elizabeth Travis and two sons, Howard of Sharon and Harold, Islington. He was in his 78th year. The funeral was conducted on Monday from Mt. Albert United Church with interment in Queensville Cemetery.

### WEDDINGS

#### McCALDEN — LUKE

The marriage of Elva Noreen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Luke and Kenneth Bruce McCalden, son of Mrs. McCalden and the late Mr. David McCalden, took place at the home of the bride, Rev. M. Gibson officiated.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a waltz-length white gown of satin brocade, featuring long sheath sleeves, a scalloped neckline embroidered with seed pearls, and a bouffant skirt. A fingertip veil of tulle illusion was held by a head piece of net and seed pearls, and carried a cascade of red roses.

Bridal attendant Miss Carol Colwell wore a waltz length gown of gold satin and matching hat, and carried a bouquet of yellow roses.

The best man was Mr. David McCalden, brother of the groom.

Following the reception the happy couple left on a trip to the States. On their return they will reside in Weston.

### Tells of Dominica at Good Friday Service

After serving successfully as a pastor of two churches of the Indiana Conference of the United Missionary Church, Rev. and Mrs. Jacob Hostetler were led to offer themselves for foreign missionary service. They have just returned from one term in the Dominican Republic where they have been ministering the word of God to this spiritually destitute area.

During his years of residence in the Dominican Republic, Mr.



Hostetler has become intimately acquainted with many of the people and has had opportunity to observe the conditions existing in the country. He also made a tour of Haiti to obtain a perspective of the overall need of the area. You will be surprised and shocked to hear from him of the desperate plight of these people, and you will be challenged at the opportunities for Christian service so close to our very doorstep. His messages illustrated by case histories of those to whom they have ministered will grip your heart.

Mr. Hostetler is a native of Elkhart County, Indiana, and he and his wife are both graduates of Fort Wayne Bible College. Previous to their departure Mr. Hostetler was pastor of the Liberty U.M. Church in Mishawaka for five years. You will want to hear him speak and see his kodachrome slides of the Dominican Republic at the Stouffville United Missionary Church on Good Friday at 8 p.m.

The regular meeting of the I.O.O.F. will be held on Monday evening, April 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Winterstein left Malton by plane on Tuesday morning for a holiday in California and Mexico.

There will be a Sunrise Service in the Stouffville United Missionary Church on Good Friday morning at 7 o'clock.

Attend the Easter Cantata, "The Crucifixion," being presented by Stouffville United Church choir in the church this Good Friday evening.

New furniture for the local Utility Commission office recently established on the second floor of the municipal building was expected here this week so that the office would be completely ready for occupancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Irwin, Beverley and Danny of Agincourt, with the former's mother Mrs. J. Irwin of Stouffville, and sister Miss Edna Irwin R.N., of the staff of Orangeville Hospital, are enjoying a couple of weeks holiday in Florida.

At Home — Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baker, Princess St., Fenelon Falls, will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on April 4th, 1956. They will be at home to their friends on that date from 2 to 4 and from 7 to 9 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clark of Lindsay Highway spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. F. C. Rowbotham and family here, and also visited her brother, H. O. Kineck. Mrs. DeWitt and Joyce returned with them for Saturday.

### Faith Mission Conference

The Easter Monday Conference of the Faith Mission of Canada will be held in Altona Union Church Monday, April 2. Meetings will be held afternoon and evening. Lunch will be provided by the ladies of the church.

The funeral was conducted on Sunday from the late home, lot 10, con. 4, Scott township, of Letisha Ann Stiver, wife of the late Edwin Stiver, who passed away on Friday. Surviving are four sons, Ronald, Douglas, Dennis and Garnet, and a daughter Marion (Mrs. H. G. Page). Interment was made in the Mt. Albert Cemetery.

George Aston, proprietor of the Gold-Fish Supply Company, Stouffville, appeared on television from New York on Sunday evening on that popular quiz show, "What's My Line?" The panel had failed to get very far with spotting Mr. Aston's line after four or five questions, but time ran out and the local businessman collected the full prize money.

### United Church W.A. Easter Meeting

On Monday evening, March 19th, the Easter meeting of the Woman's Association of Stouffville United Church was held in the church parlours with guests present from Markham, Locust Hill, Goodwood and Claremont. Miss Betty Huston, a talented young musician from Victoria Square, rendered two selections on the piano. "My soul, my life, my all," which dealt with the meaning of Easter. She gave in poetic form a summary of the different accounts of Easter as taken from the four Gospels and concluded by reading from 1 Corinthians the account of Christ's resurrection and our resurrection.

A ladies' quartette from Locust Hill favoured the meeting with the singing of the lovely hymn "Ivory Palaces" and Mrs. Wood introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. E. R. Hall of Toronto. Mrs. Hall brought greetings from the Toronto East Presbytery Executive of which she is a member and introduced her topic, "I have a Stewardship."

She interpreted her text, the parable of the talents, as it might have been spoken by Jesus to a group of women. We have a stewardship and all that we have is a trust from God to be used in His service. Three qualities — vision, imagination and courage, are necessary for Christian stewards who must be willing to be used more and more as channels of God's power and not give only left-over time and money to God. Perhaps much of the indifference today may be due to the fact that we have never known what it is to be without the good things which have come to us as a result of religion. Easter is a glad personal experience for all of us, but we must become co-workers with God and use our resources to serve His Kingdom. We must allot our money, strength and time starting with God. Mrs. Hall concluded her address with a verse from a familiar hymn: "Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all."

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Bowen and Leslie of Oshawa had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Gord Wagg and Gayle on Sunday.

C. H. Nolan, local publisher, addressed the Cedar Grove Community Club on Monday evening on the Weekly Newspaper and Its Place in Rural Life.

John Ostar, an employee of Smith Welding, will be away from work for some time due to a broken bone which he sustained in the back of his right hand while he was operating a drill.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Atkinson last Friday evening, Miss Barbara Beach and Miss Isobel Atkinson held a miscellaneous shower in honour of Miss Joy Wood whose marriage will take place this weekend.

Uxbridge town council struck the 1956 tax rate last week at 88 mills, an increase of 14.5 mills over last year. Biggest jump in costs has come in the public school where a levy of an additional 10.67 mills is required.

Genial crossing guard Fred Woodward, known to school children in town as "Pop" underwent an operation at the Toronto East General Hospital last week. "Pop" will be coming home during the Easter Holidays, and the children hope to see him back on duty when they return to school.

Relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Foote, ninth line, to celebrate the birthdays of Mrs. MaryAnne Hall and Mrs. Elifeda Foote on Thursday evening, March 22nd. Progressive euchre followed by refreshments were enjoyed by the guests who included: Mr. and Mrs. J. Harrison, Mt. Albert; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Claughton, Mr. and Mrs. Del Kidd, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whetter, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Swain and Betty, Mrs. Ralph Baker, Fred Conner and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wells.

An interesting ceremony was conducted at the regular morning service of the Stouffville United Church on Sunday when the Explorers Group presented the church with new brass offering plates and a chalice. The gifts were made available by money raised by Mrs. Harold Lewis, the leader of the Explorers in 1955, who won a contest in the name of the girls' group. The presentation address was given by Elaine Forsyth and the presentation by Lynda Nolan. The plates were presented by Sharon McLean, Lynn Murphy, Louise Dyke, Susan Ogilvy, Linda Sanders and Karen Lewis. These girls were the graduates of the group in 1955. The gifts were received on behalf of the church by Rev. Douglas Davis.

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### Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Holden announce the engagement of their daughter Eria May to Robert Joseph McClanahan of Chatham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. McClanahan, of Kirkland Lake. The marriage will take place on Saturday, April 21, 1956, at 3 o'clock in the Ringwood Christian Church.

### MRS. HILKER BROWN PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS TUESDAY

Early Tuesday morning, Mar. 13th, Mrs. Hilker Brown, the former Anna May Bonnett of Tiverton, passed away in Toronto Western Hospital after an illness of three weeks. She was in her 50th year.

The Browns took over store keeping in Altona when Mr. Madill retired. The deceased is survived by her husband, Hilker, three sons George and Fraser of Altona and Bert of Port Elgin, also six brothers and two sisters. The funeral was from the Davey Funeral Home in Pt. Elgin on Thursday at 2:30 p.m., with interment in Lovat Cemetery.

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### EASTER SUNDAY CLOSING DAY OF MISSIONARY CONVENTION

UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH, Stouffville  
EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE 7 a.m.

SPEAKER - REV. R. REILLY  
Foreign Secretary of United Missionary Church.

11 A.M. — REV. REILLY  
will speak on the subject "The Resurrection's Imperative."

7.30 P.M. — REV. PAUL UMMEL

Missionary to Nigeria, West Africa.

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