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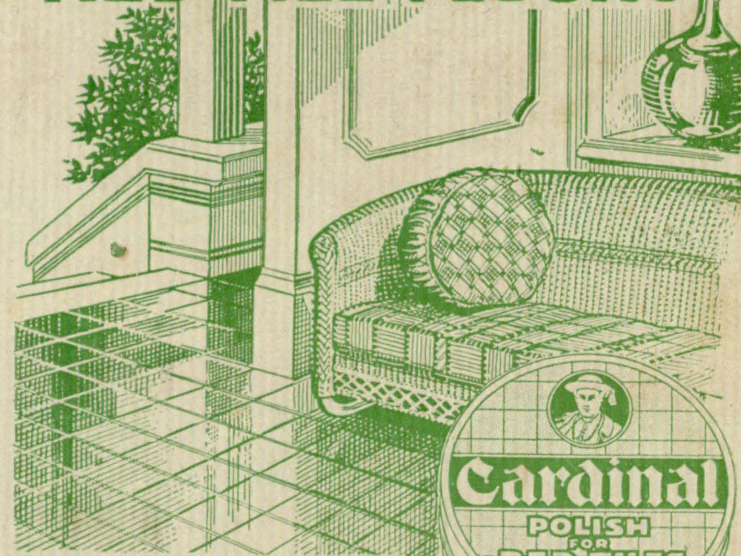
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# Christmas In China

By Rev. Harold B. Rattenbury

From CHINA REVIEW, London

INTELLIGENT, up-to-date, traveller and clever students, and their kind, in China know, of course, as much about the world as enlightened people everywhere.

To them "Foreign New Year" as they call it, is no strange festival of foreign lands. They know its history and its meaning whether they share in its festivities or not.

China is a vast country with a huge population, dwelling mostly in the country. Most of the people are happily ignorant of any foreign language and follow, as far as they may, the traditions of their fathers. These farming folk have guided their lives largely by the calendar, with its twelve or thirteen months in its lunar year.

There the big and little festivals have been set forth, particularly the fifth, seventh and the eighth month feasts, and the annual home-coming, home-keeping, and rejoicing of the "Crossing the year", the New Year's festival. This has varied somewhat since the 1911 revolution. Government decrees have sometimes sought to abolish it and substitute the Solar New Year which we Westerners observe on the first of January. Farming folk at least, are slow to move. In all classes of society, customs sanctioned by centuries, harmless and even useful of themselves, are not very susceptible to change. The outcome has been that our New Year is observed in circles where East touches West. In business circles, in government circles, and in schools the solar year obtains, but even here the old New Year lingers on. It is hard to put old wine into new bottles, and the Chinese seem inseparable from their China New Year. It may, in the end, die out. But the custom which holds the suffrage of 473 million people would seem to have considerable support.

THIS all has its bearing on what we call Christmas Day. To all in China this is obviously the great foreign feast, which

foreigners of many nations seem to keep. It is the only foreign feast where there is much decoration and demonstration. The Christians, still a small minority in China, call it the "Festival of the Holy Birth", or the "Jesus Holy Birth". The man in the street calls it, from his own experience, "Foreign New Year." He realizes that much of what Christmas means to us, New Year means to him. It is a home festival. Children and the shouts of children make the welkin ring. There are decorations and evergreens, paper-chains and Chinese lanterns, feasting and best clothes and general congratulations all round. This is all true of China New Year as it is of Christmas. At the former there is the house-sweeping, the pasting of new red papers covered with appropriate couplets above and beside the front-door, the worship at the ancestral tablet, and the letting off of vast stores of Chinese crackers. Fire-works go off around the Christians' festivities too; for they are used at every time of joy.

Those who enquire further into the mystery of "Foreign New Year" gathering into the back-seats of crowded churches or standing at the open doorways will see men and women and little children being offered for baptism, whatever they may think of the ceremony. For in China, as in the mediaeval church, the great Christian festivals are made more joyous and memorable still by the admission of members into the community. They may also see, as we in Britain see, a nativity play of Joseph, Mary and the Babe, not forgetting the shepherds, the wise men, the stars, the sheep and the angels. The Chinese love the theatre and use every opportunity to dramatize. They did this in the evolutionary armies in the war. They have always done it at Christmas time, and wherever else they could find a good excuse. There is an inborn capacity in many for acting out such stories.

FOR those with ears to hear, the Christmas story is told and retold in all its beauty. Christmas is a day of excitement. It is joy and colour, feasting and crackers that mean most to the crowds that throng the churches.

These are mostly concern of the places where Christians gather and worship. Christmas is not at present observed in Chinese homes on any large scales; nor is it a holiday when shops are shut, as at China New Year. At that time for three days the front-door of shops. The bigger shops are closed for a fortnight, whilst the annual stock-taking takes place. You see, the Church, though influential enough, is such an insignificant thing in the sea of China's humanity that "Foreign New Year" hardly ruffles the surface more than a number of temple festivals would. All the rest of life flows on as usual. It is only the churches and their near neighbours that realize that anything particular is happening. There is also an extra holiday in universities and higher schools, in the customs and the shipping they control. There is also a little extra business in shops and post offices, because of the Christmas cards and their sending.

Foreign exiles in China make all they can of the day, especially where there are children. It is peculiarly their home festival. Christmas puddings appear and mince-pies. If turkeys are unavailable, a turkey-buzzard or a wild goose is not a bad substitute. Christmas trees turn up from nowhere and Father Christmas takes China in his stride.

PERHAPS the most joyous part of Christmas for those who do not know its meaning is in the hospitals. There in the children's wards and the wards of those no longer children, there are decorations and

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# The Christmas Gift

By S. H. C.

**I**n a little shack in West End Kingston, little Joe lay ill in bed. He was alone, for his mother had not yet returned from work, and Miss Ada, the kind neighbour who tended to his needs while she was away, had just left him to begin preparing his supper.

As he lay back tossing wearily in bed, his little mind kept wandering and in his imagination he saw many things. Some of these were happy memories. Then he felt that he was the loneliest boy in all the world. But he prayed, as his mother had taught him to pray when things became unbearable. The hand about his heart soon relaxed and he felt as if he could breathe again. He wondered why he felt so very much alone, until he realised that it was because Christmas was coming round again, and it would be his second in bed.

One of his mother's friends from the church had come to look for him. And she had asked him what he wanted most at Christmas. His answer came back to him now as he tossed about.

"I want my daddy. Nothing else—just my daddy for Christmas!"

Over and over it was being repeated in his mind. Day after day it came, that single thought that expressed his nearest and dearest wish.

What's the good of Christmas, if a fellow hasn't his father to share it with him. Sure his mother was the most darling person in the world, but to a boy, there is something god-like about his father. Look at Mass P. and his father—why the old man still played marbles with Mass P. and football, and any other game. He said so himself when he came last. And when he heard what Little Joe wanted for Christmas, he didn't look away sad, and talk about something else. No, he talked to him the way he knew dad would talk to him about other things. And best of all he ended up with the very thought that Little Joe had in mind.

"You know son, when a fellow wants things as bad as you do, he just has got to get them. I bet you my last bob that you'll see your old man this Christmas."

**L**ITTLE Joe felt just that way, at least most times, but sometimes he just couldn't be sure. Like last Christmas for instance—didn't he wish just as hard. And

never a sight did he see of his dad.

Just then he heard the door creak and he knew that his mother had come home.

As she bent over to kiss him, he threw his thin arms around her neck and pressed her close. They chatted like two carefree people about things, and they smiled with each other. But she never let on how tired she was, how weary of the drudgery which meant their daily bread, and she said not a word about his wish for Christmas, or about what he had been thinking. So they went on day after day, playing a little game of contentment and happiness with each other.

The days crept by for the little boy who seemed to grow steadily weaker with their passing. The tears that for long were being shed in the mother's heart, brimmed up to the surface, and a few tell-tale drops fell to the coverlet.

"Mummy! Why do you cry?"

"Oh, nothing darling! Nothing at all. I'm just a wee bit tired, I guess."

"What did the doctor say?"

"He said that you were getting a little better, and that you ought to be up in a matter of weeks."

But what the doctor had actually said, was:

"Never mind the money, Mirrie, that can come. Let's worry about the boy's health. I'll come as often as you need me. What Little Joe wants now is the will to get better. I am sure that there is something he wants badly, but which seems for now to be out of reach. Is it anything I can get for you? Will it need money?"

She broke down then and told him...

"And doctor since then I have never set eyes on him. I don't even think he knows where we are living now."

Oh, God bless you doctor, you are doing all you can. Bless you for that."

**S**o the days passed and it drew nearer and nearer to Christmas Eve. Through the tiny opening that was his window, Little Joe could really hear the approach of Christmas, for the noise of the horns and fee-fees of the children passing on their way to their homes, became almost incessant.

Now the days themselves seemed anxious to bring on Christmas, for the horns and the

excited chatter and the frequent visits of his schoolmates now on holiday, all seemed to shorten the days. Best of all was the visit by his teacher who brought him a package of sweets, balloons and fee-fees. And before he was quite sure about it, it was Christmas Eve.

The day passed with the usual round of visitors, for he was well liked by his classmates; and even to the anxious mother's eyes, the colour seemed to be returning to his cheeks. They were having supper, chatting gaily about the events of the day. His mother told him of the little 'raise' her kind employer had given her, and she presented him with the large juicy American apple that she had bought for him out of the money. In all things but one, it seemed just like old times. Then the hlow fell.

Miss Jane who lived some doors away came in with the news.

"Can I see you outside a little Miss Mirrie?"

"Excuse me, Little Joe." The mother rose from the table and followed her caller to the front yard.

"I get news today, Mirrie, 'bout Big Joe. It seems that all them years him was working on the wharf. Lawd a so glad to bring you the news that I find him for

you, but a so sorry that the news is mingled with the bad. Him was supervising some cargo when a big case of tinned food drop pon him foot and crush it up. Them take him straight to hospital!"

Mirrie's hand flew to her heart. Her lips moved, but no words came from them.

"Don't worry child, him will be all right!"

**A**T last she knew where to find him, but now her mind was tormented with wondering about the extent of his injury; wondering whether he had ever during all these years wanted to come back. Oh, it had been such a silly quarrel. It had been all over the fact that he had thinned out the pay envelope by stopping at a bar with some friends on payday, the very day she had planned to pay down on a new bed. If she had only waited until he had sobered up; but her anger had overcome her, and afterwards he must have been too ashamed to come back, for they had long been discussing the purchase of the bed.

And now he was in the hospital, maybe wanting her, needing her—why, maybe he was even asking for her, and she knew with a little twinge of despair that neither he nor they would know her address.

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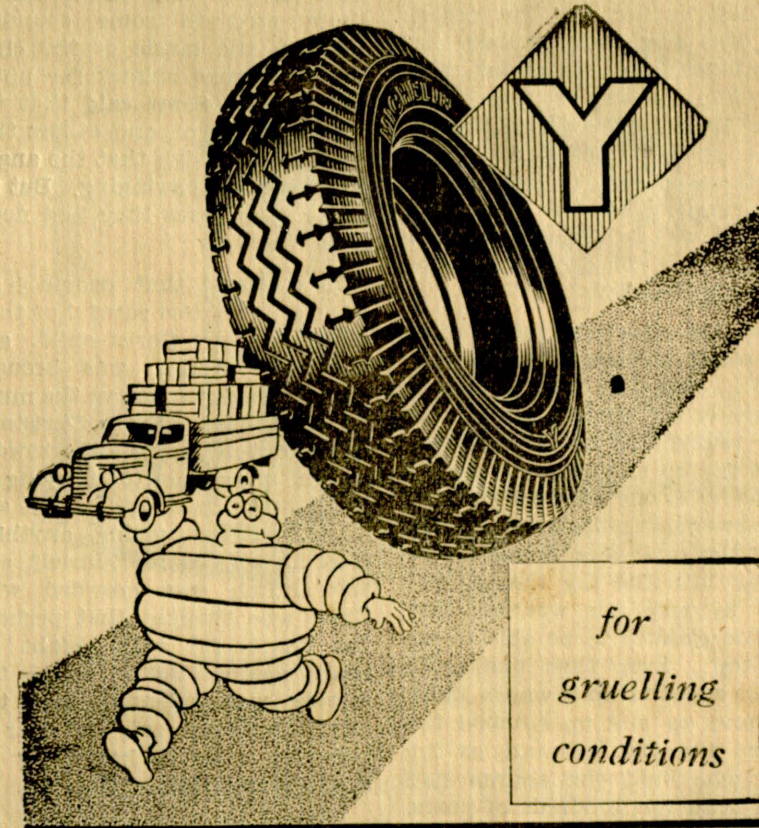


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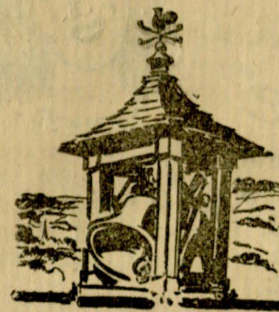
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# A Christmas Legend

From THE ROYAL BANK MAGAZINE

THERE was once, in a far-away country where few people have ever travelled, a wonderful church. It stood on a high hill in the midst of a great city; and every Sunday, as well as on sacred days like Christmas, thousands of people climbed the hill to its great archways, looking like lines of ants all moving in the same direction.

When you came to the building itself, you found stone columns and dark passages, and a grand entrance leading to the main room of the church. This room was so long that one standing at



the doorway could scarcely see to the other end, where the choir stood by the marble altar. In the farthest corner was the organ; and this organ was so loud that sometimes, when it played, the people for miles around would close their shutters and prepare for a great thunderstorm. Altogether, no such church as this was ever seen before, especially when it was lighted up for some festival, and crowded with people, young and old.

But the strangest thing about the whole building was the wonderful chime of bells. At one corner of the church was a great gray tower, with ivy growing over it as far up as one could see. I say as far as one could see, because the tower was quite great enough to fit the great church, and it rose so far into the sky that it was only in very fair weather that anyone claimed to be able to see the top. Even then one could not be certain that it was in sight. Up, and up and up climbed the stones and the ivy; and, as the men who built the church had been dead for hundreds of years, everyone had forgotten how high the top was supposed to be.

Now all the people knew that at the top of the tower was a chime of Christmas bells. They had hung there ever since the

church had been built, and were the most beautiful bells in the world. Some thought it was because a great musician had cast them and arranged them in their place; others said it was because of the great height, which reached up where the air was clearest and purest; however that might be, no one who had ever heard the chimes denied that they were the sweetest in the world. Some described them as sounding like angels far up in the sky; others, as sounding like strange winds singing through the trees.

But the fact was that no one had heard them for years and years. There was an old man living not far from the church, who said that his mother had spoken of hearing them when she was a little girl, and he was the only one who was sure of as much as that. They were Christmas chimes, you see, and were not meant to be played by men or on common days. It was the custom on Christmas Eve for all the people to bring to the church their offerings to the Christ-child; and when the best and greatest offering was laid on the altar, there used to come sounding through the music of the choir the Christmas chimes far up in the tower. Some said that the wind rang them, and others that they were so high that the angels could see them swinging. But for many long years they had never been heard.

It was said that people had been growing less careful of their gifts for the Christ-child, and that no offering was brought great enough to deserve the music of the chimes. Every Christmas Eve the rich people still crowded to the altar, each one trying to bring some better gift than any other, without giving anything that he wanted for himself, and the church was crowded with those who thought that perhaps the wonderful bells might be heard again. But although the service was splendid, and the offerings plenty, only the roar of the wind could be heard, far up in the stone tower.

Now, a number of miles from the city, in a little country village, where nothing could be seen of the great church but glimpses of the tower when the weather was fine, lived a boy named Pedro, and his little

brother. They knew very little about the Christmas chimes, but they had heard of the service in the church on Christmas Eve, and had a secret plan, which they often talked over when by themselves, to see the beautiful celebration.

"Nobody can guess Little Brother," Pedro would say, "all the fine things there are to see and hear; and I have even heard it said that the Christ-child sometimes comes down to bless the service. What if we could see Him?"

The day before Christmas was bitterly cold, with a few lonely snowflakes flying in the air, and a hard white crust on the ground. Sure enough, Pedro and Little Brother were able to slip quietly away early in the afternoon; and although the walking was hard in the frosty air, before nightfall they had trudged so far, hand in hand, that they saw the lights of the big city just ahead of them. Indeed, they were about to enter one of the great gates in the wall that surrounded it when they saw something dark on the snow, and stepped aside to look at it.

It was a poor woman, who had fallen just outside the city, too sick and tired to get in where she might have found shelter. The soft snow made a drift of a sort of pillow for her, and she would soon be so sound asleep, in the wintry air, that no one could ever waken her again. All this Pedro saw in a moment, and he knelt down beside her and tried to rouse her, even tugging at her arm a little, as though he would have tried to carry her away. He turned her face toward him, so that he could rub a little of the snow on it, and when he had looked at her silently a moment he stood up again, and said: "It's no use, Little Brother. You will have to go on alone." "Alone?" cried Little Brother. "And you not see the Christmas festival?" "No," said Pedro, and he could not keep back a bit of a choking sound in his throat. "See this poor woman. Her face looks like the Madonna in the chapel window, and she will freeze to death if nobody cares for her. Everyone has gone to the church now, but when you come back you can bring someone to help her. I will rub her to keep her from freezing and perhaps get her to eat the bun that is left in my pocket."

"But I cannot bear to leave you, and go on alone," said Little Brother.

"Both of us need not miss the service," said Pedro, "and it had better be I than you. You can easily find your way to the

church; and you must see and hear everything twice, Little Brother—once for you and once for me. I am sure the Christ-child must know I should love to come with you and worship Him; and oh! if you get a chance, Little Brother, to slip up to the altar without getting in anyone's way, take this little silver piece of mine, and lay it down for my offering, when no one is looking. Do not forget where you have left me, and forgive me for not going with you."

In this way he hurried Little Brother off to the city, and winked hard to keep back the tears, as he heard the crunching footsteps sounding farther and farther away in the twilight. It was pretty hard to lose the music and splendour of the Christmas celebration that he had been planning for so long, and spend the time instead in that lonely place in the snow.

The great church was a wonderful place that night. Everyone said that it had never looked so bright and so beautiful before. When the organ played and the thousands of people sang, the walls shook with the sound, and little Pedro, away outside the city wall, felt the earth tremble around him.

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## HEALTH FOR ALL

### Allergies

To many of us, "allergic" is a very handy word. We use it to express our dislike for certain foods, colours or even people. To medical men, "allergy" is a general term indicating various forms of hypersensitiveness, in man and animals, to various substances.

You probably know someone who breaks out with hives after eating strawberries, or sneezes every time a cat walks into the room. You may know people who avoid eggs in any form because they would get sick if they ate them. The rest of us may be scornful of these "whims," but it is a fact that some people are over sensitive to substances which to the majority are harmless.

The irritant may be something in the air we breathe, such as dust or pollen. It may be something we touch, such as poison ivy or certain chemical substances. It may be something we eat, specific foods or drugs. Most cases of asthma are caused by allergies, and many are cured when doctor and patient cooperate to find the offending agent.

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## MOVEMENTS OF NOTE

By I. C. Evre Ting

NO need to remind you that Christmas is just around the corner. You'd probably think I'm just fishing for a nice little parcel tied with ribbons. I can't say I'm always the recipient of little gifts at this time of the year, despite the fact that I try so hard to be popular.

WHILE on the subject of Christmas gifts, two of our popular football players have chosen this time of the year to make their gifts small but precious—two nice diamonds to two of our petite insurance girls. Incidentally, both girls are from the same office. Before the year is out we will perhaps hear of one or two other couples following in this romantic trend.

AT this time of the year we also like to treat ourselves to something nice, particularly where there is little chance of our getting it as a present. Our all-round athlete and tennis star has got himself a neat little present in the way of an expensive camera. What post-war gadget is anything but expensive anyway! By next year I think we'll have a new wave of candid camera craze, so girls, look out for the roving camera man!

LAST Thursday another batch of returnees from Hongkong were welcomed at the airport by a huge crowd of relatives and friends. It seems like not only Jamaica but Latin America and Cuba had even larger batches of folks returning to the respective places they left some years ago.

### PERSONALIA

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38 for Jamaica, seven each for Nicaragua and El Salvador, and two for Guatemala.

Results of basketball games during the past fortnight are as follows:—

On November 23, Y.M.C.A. defeated the Community Store by 59-35.

November 29, South China A

We are more than happy to welcome them home again.

BASKETBALL and softball, both popular games in the States, have a hard time keeping alive here. Every now and again special efforts are made to resuscitate them. With five Chinese teams out of seven, the present basketball league is practically for our benefit. At least our boys are having any amount of fun in this competition. The games are all played in such a friendly atmosphere that it really doesn't matter who is the winner.

THERE will be a Christmas Eve dance this year, a bit unusual in a way as dances before were held on Christmas Day. This dance should attract more people as the spirit of Christmas Eve is more conducive to merriment as Christmas Day is to feasting. The Students are practising hard on a floor show so there will be an added attraction to bring the folks out of their homes on Christmas Eve.

THE latest craze at the club is golf which has taken over quite a few members by storm. If they could afford the time most of them would like to play from sun-up until sun-down, and if just hitting up and down the field can be so interesting to them, how much more wouldn't a full-18 hole course be. I understand they're planning to get a 20-acre course some day in the near future.

defeated South China B by 43-15. November 30, C.A.C. Dragons defeated Fire Brigade by 23-26.

December 1, Tigers defeated Community Store by 50-28.

December 6, C.A.C. Tigers defeated South China B by 25-18.

December 7, South China A. defeated Community Store by 35-21.

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## PERSONALIA

Forty-one passengers arrived by a Pan American Airways plane at the Palisades airport on Thursday, December 1. They travelled from Hong Kong on the S.S. "General Gordon" and landed at San Francisco, then travelled by train across to Miami where they boarded the plane. Most of them were students who left here within the past few years to attend school in Canton, China. Among them were:— 3 sons of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wee Tom of Gregory Park; Ernest, Bertram and Carlos; Phyllis, Dorothy and Cynthia, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Yap Sam; Frederick Chuck; Misses Olive and Vilma Chuck, children of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Kiow of Kingston; George Wong; Miss E. Ching Ping, daughter of Mr. Yee Keow of Frankfield; Rudolph Lowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lowe of St. Ann's Bay; Herman Yee, son of Mr. Simpson Yee; Keith Anthony Fong, son of Mr. Fong Sam; Mrs. Kong Kim Leun; Manny Chin; Theophilus Fung, nephew of Mr. Phillip Fung; Miss Lenling Lew; Joscelyn Hoo Fung, son of Mr. Hoo Fung of Kingston; Lawrence and Donald Hoo, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoo Fat of Kingston;

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In a quiet ceremony at the Morant Bay Catholic Church, Miss Grace Marie Chin, became the bride of Mr. Louis Lee at 1.00 p.m. on Sunday, December 4. The Rev. Fr. Mahoney, S.J., assisted by Rev. Fr. R. Fox, S.J. performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chin Hock Shue of Kingston while the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fun Ying of Morant Bay.

Miss Barbara Chin was her sister's chief attendant and the other bridesmaid was Miss Joyce Lee, a sister of the groom. Bestman was Mr. Albert Chin while the bride's uncle, Mr. Samuel Chen, gave her in marriage.

A dinner and reception was held at the home of the groom's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Chin of Maxfield Avenue, announced the birth of a daughter on Thursday, December 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Chin Yee are also the proud parents of a little boy born on November 28.

The stork also visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Chin and left a baby girl on December 5.

Mr. Jack Shim and his daughter, Alice and son Dudley arrived by plane from Miami on Sunday, November 27. The Shimms travelled on the Blue Funnel Liner the S.S. "Ajax" from Hongkong via the Suez Canal and landed at New York spending a few weeks there before coming to Jamaica.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Tie Ten Quee returned to the Island by the S.S. "Bayano" on Saturday, December 3, after spending the past five months at their home in Teddington, England.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lowe of St. Ann's Bay announced the engagement of their daughter, Peggy to Mr. Alvin Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young of Woodford Park, on Thursday, December 1. The marriage will take place sometime next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee of Buff Bay also announced on Monday, December 5, the engagement of their daughter, Fay to

Mr. Dudley Chen, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chen of Woodford Park.

The Chinese Athletic Club will have their holiday dances on Christmas Eve instead of on Christmas Day as in previous years; and on New Year's Eve as is usual.

The Caribbean orchestra will supply the music for both occasions. A good floor show is being rehearsed by members of the Chinese Students' Association to be presented at the Christmas Eve dance.

Austin Chin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Chin of Montego Bay returned to the island on Sunday, December 4, arriving at Montego Bay by plane.

A group of 186 Chinese residents of Latin America completed the last leg of their homeward journey from China on November 30 and December 1 when they boarded Pan American Clippers in Miami for 12 countries in South and Central America and the Caribbean. They are returning to their Latin American homes after extended visits in the Orient.

Sixty-three left for Havana; 13 for Dutch Guiana, 24 for Trinidad, 2 for British Guiana, 10 each for Peru and Panama, 4 for Costa Rica and one for French Guiana.

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## PANORAMA

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

If one may judge by the large number of entertainments which have been taking place in recent weeks, and include all that are still to come between now and Christmas Day, this Season is certainly being a merry one! In the past fortnight carnivals and fairs have been held by the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, St. Matthew's Church, Melbourne Club, the Musical Society and others, all of which have been great successes, and have provided the real "Christmassy" tone to the Season.

Still to come is the Winchester Park Garden Party on Boxing Day, an annual event which is memorable to any one who has ever attended one. Then, too, there is the Christmas Morning Concert, the "Great Broadcast of 1949" to be held at the Progressive Hall on Duke Street, a musical show with many of Jamaica's outstanding artists participating in it.

## FREDERICK FULLER

Apart from the general run of entertainments there have been a couple taking place which are worthy of individual mention. The first of these is the series of vocal recitals given by Frederick Fuller, English baritone, who is on a visit to Jamaica under the auspices of the British Council. Frederick Fuller's voice is rich and melodious in tone, and his command of many languages enables him to sing songs of various countries in a highly competent way. It has been a rare treat to us in Jamaica to have had the privilege of listening to him for he is, undoubtedly, one of the outstanding vocal celebrities to visit our shores for a long time.

## "THEY CAME TO A CITY"

The other entertainment of individual importance already referred to has been the play, "They Came to a City" written by J. B. Priestley and staged here by Neil Gibson and Mrs. Doris Hastings, both of well known theatrical talent. This has been shown

several times at the Garrison Theatre sponsored by the Theatre Arts Club, in aid of the Wortley Home for Children, a cause which is most deserving and always most appreciative of kind assistance.

There has been very little of an amateur production about this play, which presages well for a higher standard of theatrical work in Jamaica in the future.

## CHRISTMAS SEALS

On October 26th last, a public appeal to Jamaicans was issued by Lady Huggins, through the columns of the press, on behalf of the Anti-T.B. Seals Campaign which opened on that date. As is customary, sheets of these Christmas Seals have been sent out to persons individually, while they are also on sale at the post offices in the Island. The design this year is as bright and attractive as always, on a background of deep blue with the word "Greetings" in red and white and the year—1949—at the left hand corner. They make a very Christmassy addition to all communications at this period of the year, and at the small cost of half-penny per seal should be used by one and all to further the valuable cause for which they are issued annually,—that of the Anti-Tuberculosis League which needs the individual and collective assistance of every one of us in the fight against this dread evil that is in our midst.

## IN OUR VISITORS' BOOK

The names of many persons from abroad have recently been added to the list of visitors to our shores, among these being fifteen students from Pinecrest School in Florida headed by Miss Ruth Dow of the social sciences department. They spent several days here at the end of November as the guests of the owner of the Newleigh Hotel and of Martin's Tropical Tours.

There was a party of twenty American farm owners, led by Mr. Bert C. Baker of Nationwide Air Transport Service who came to get acquainted with the land from which their farm workers come.

In addition to these parties there have been some individual visitors of note, such as Mrs. A.

V. Drummond, who, under the stage name of Pauline Chase took the part of "Peter Pan" in J. M. Barrie's famous play by this name for a period of eight years. The Hon. Colonel T. Kennedy, Minister of Agriculture in Ontario, and Mr. Duncan Bull, a prominent cattle breeder of the same Canadian Province have come to look at the agricultural set-up in Jamaica; Mr. Harold Strauss, editor-in-chief of Alfred Knopf publishing house of New York; Mr. Carroll Rines, a sports writer; and Mr. and Mrs. L. Spivak the former being an editor of some well known magazines in the States have been among the new list.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION

Opening on November 22nd last, the current exhibition being held at the Institute of Jamaica is an Arts and Crafts one, displaying once again to our interested gaze the work, in various field of endeavour, of our talented countrymen and women. There is the usual array of admirably executed basket work, weaving and woodwork, that of the Salvation Army for the Blind always making its special appeal both because of its undoubted quality and the source from which this comes.

The ceramics of C. A. Baugh are exceedingly attractive and carry a note of progress and originality

that is encouraging. This exhibition put on at this time when many are searching for "something suitable" as a gift to someone should be very helpful both to the workers and those who have need of such genuine Jamaican gifts.

Observer.



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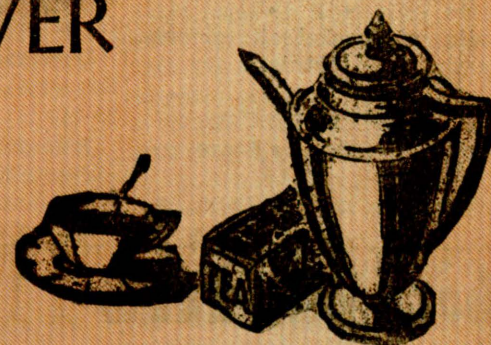
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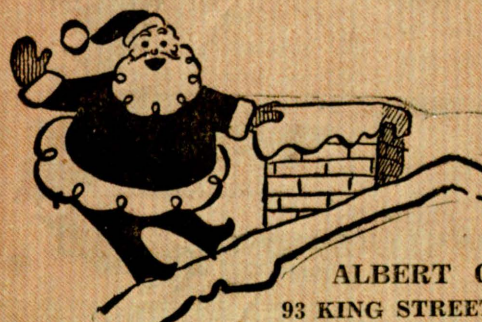
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### Traffic Problems

The question of transport is still one of the most discussed and urgent problems of to-day, all the more so because the rush occasioned by Christmas shopping considerably intensifies the whole situation. The congestion in certain areas is such as to cause complete blockades from time to time, which, despite the commendable efforts of the traffic police, are unavoidable owing to the volume of traffic and the dimensions of these areas.

Foremost in the mind regarding transport problems naturally stands the bus service which until now has been so far from satisfactory that the people are both irate and long-suffering from necessity. Prolonged waits on the buses after long trudges of many blocks to the Parade, laden with parcels, or else at the end of a hard day's work, is the routine for many who have no other transport on which to depend and which harasses one both mentally and physically. In this connection it is now being considered advisable to arrange that certain of the buses travel on King Street as the tram cars did. This should ease the long walks for some people, and relieve some of the congestion at the Parade.

The Transport Board, under its acting chairman, Mr. W. B. Powell met at the latter part of November for the first time to deal with these many problems of congestion, routes, fares and the like, and in view of the need for adjustments to be made in such matters the Board has not come into action a moment too soon.

The Courtesy Service Course has been started under the management of Messrs. Ja. Utilities Ltd., and is a vital necessity to the satisfactory running of the bus service. There is need for much improvement in this direction.

all the more so when, as is often the case, the bus personnel have, perforce, to deal with passengers of all classes, types and temperament, and must learn to deal with them firmly, efficiently, and politely. Changes are already noticeable in instances where supervision is being given for the proper queuing of passengers and assistance rendered to the aged and infirm.

Transport problems do not relate solely to the bus service, however, as may be realized by the number of accidents which take place day after day among motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. There is much that can be done for the safety of the travelling public and pedestrians in particular. Many safety measures have been instituted in recent years as a means of avoiding accidents, such as speed limits, directing of traffic in certain areas, pedestrian crossings and the like; but many persons are unobservant of these institutions either through sheer devilry or else lack of road sense. Speeding has always been and will always be one of the most frequent causes of accidents, and, unfortunately, little control can be placed over such irresponsibility.

### CHRISTMAS IN CHINA

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carols and visits of a weird figure in crimson gown and flowing white beard with his arms full of presents for everybody.

His Chinese is often very faulty. Poor Father Christmas cannot do everything. He is so busy packing his reindeer sledge with gifts for every sufferer lying in a hospital bed that he must be forgiven if he has not had much time to rub up his Chinese. After all, what language does he not have to learn? At least his deeds are good, and may Christmas soon come again, many a patient says.

MEANWHILE, in their homes, the exiles are gathered in parties. When the meals are consumed there are the old games around the fireside, the old stories, the old memories, the absent ones in the homelands to be thought of. There are carols at daybreak lit up by Chinese lanterns. There are stockings crammed with toys and mysteries. At the end of the glad day there are tired little heads lying satisfied upon their pillows.

There are tired parents, too, wondering when, at long last, all the world will gather round the manger of the Prince of Peace.

Is there good hope for freedom for all in any other Name than His? "Foreign New Year" is a time when life's roughness is a little softened; when life's sorrows are a little comforted; when life's storms are a little abated. If Bethlehem be true no wonder that wise men from the East, and Shepherd from their flocks, and even the angels out of heaven gathered there to greet the little Child of a rejected peasant maid, the wife of a village carpenter.

That lovely story begins to grip China as all the world today. Chinese artists are at work upon the scene. Chinese youth have taken the drama to their hearts. Chinese voices sing of it. This tiny helpless Child this strange and suffering Man makes His home in every land.

### A CHRISTMAS LEGEND

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At the close of the service came the procession with the offerings to be laid on the altar. Rich men and great men marched proudly up to lay down their gifts to the Christ-child. Some brought wonderful jewels, some baskets of gold so heavy that they could scarcely carry them down the aisle. A great writer laid down a book that he had been making for years and years. And last of all walked the king of the country, hoping with all the rest to win for himself the chime of the Christmas bells. There went a great murmur through the church as the people saw the king take from his head the royal crown, all set with precious stones, and lay it gleaming on the altar, as his offering to the holy Child. "Surely," everyone said, "we shall hear the bells now, for nothing like this has ever happened before." But still only the cold, cold wind was heard in the tower, and the people shook their heads; and some of them said, as they had before, that they never really believed the story of the chimes, and doubted if they ever rang at all.

The procession was over, and the choir began the closing hymn. Suddenly the organist stopped playing as though he had been shot, and everyone looked at the old pastor, who was standing by the altar, holding up his hand for silence. Not a sound could be heard from anyone in the church, but as all the people strained their ears to listen, there came softly, but distinctly, swinging through the air, the sound of the chimes in the tower. So far away, and yet so clear the music seemed—so much sweeter were the notes than anything that had been

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## THE PAGODA

# CHRISTIAN LITERARY SOCIETY FOR CHINA

By C. Wilfrid Allan

MODERN Chinese education owes a great deal to the efforts of the early missionaries and Christian merchants, who practically laid the foundations of the present system of instruction and culture. The Christian Literature Society has celebrated its Diamond Jubilee last year and it is worth while calling to remembrance the conditions that existed in China sixty years ago, when the great empire was almost a closed country. Little was known to Europeans beyond the facts of the so-called Opium War, the cession of Hong Kong and the opening of a few ports to trade. It was the war between China and Japan in 1894-5 which first really rivetted the attention of the West on this mysterious land.

Before the war with Japan, the impact of the western nations had created considerable unrest in the minds of the government officials. The problems of steam and electricity, the presence of gun-boats and the superior strength of military forces, had led the government to establish a number of professional and technical colleges and schools of various types, but the mass of officialdom was left in its own narrow environment, self-contained and contemptuous of change. The system of education at that period centred round the classical literature of Confucius and his disciples. For more than two thousand years the teaching in the Classics had constituted the supreme authority in religion, ethics and politics. During many centuries the whole education of the Chinese had been in this literature and the whole government and administration of the country left in the hands of scholars. This heritage of ethical and social culture, whilst priceless in itself, had produced a body of men filled with pride and contempt for any other system, but absolutely ignorant of what an English schoolboy would have considered the rudiments of learning. Of course, there were exceptions; men with a more open mind who sought for knowledge. In Fukien, a scholar and official wrote a study of the geography of the world, which was really an achievement, but on its publications, the author was cashiered, never again to be employed in public service. Such

was the contempt for knowledge which did not come within the purview of the Classics. The average Chinese official had no conception of the part that modern science was playing in the improvement of social conditions, and despised any teaching that did not square with his belief in the ancient sages. The government itself was opposed to the influx of new ideas, and endeavoured to maintain a policy of stagnation and isolation which it called peace.

THE missionaries and merchants of those days, however, clearly saw the dangers of such an attitude, and determined to take steps to dissipate this dense ignorance, which was involving men in all sorts of troubles and difficulties. An association was formed in Shanghai under the name of "The Society for the Diffusion of Christian and General Knowledge amongst the Chinese". This was afterwards changed to "The Christian Literature Society for China." It was not solely a missionary institution for at least two-thirds of the Board of Directors were leading representatives of the business life of Shanghai and its first president was Sir Robert Hart who held the office until his death in 1911. The object of the society was the production of literature "Based on Christian principles" and which included all spheres and phases of life.

The society, after a succession of difficulties, took on a new lease of life in 1891 under the direction of Dr. Timothy Richard. He had lived in the interior provinces, knew their pressing problems and was also well acquainted with the official mind. He embarked on a deliberate campaign amongst the country's leaders which was intended to foster the movement for reform already showing itself. Books published by the society were sent to all the prominent officials, and distributed to thousands of candidates for office at the prefectural examinations. These examinations were a chief feature of the educational system of the period. Every three years the students gathered in the great centres and were confined in separate and individual cells which constituted the examination halls. The cells had only one small entrance, and were just

large enough to allow a man to stretch himself on a bed or mattress. The student on entering, was locked in, and for several days had communication with no one until the examination was finished. The releasing of such a horde of examinees numbering thousands was a sight never to be forgotten. A wonderful opportunity was presented for the free distribution of literature, which was accepted by many, and also spurned by many, who had no use for the new fangled notions of the "foreign devils." In such a way were the society's publications disseminated abroad and were read by many students and budding officials in all parts of the country. Before very long there was a response in requests for more books, and expressions of appreciation from some of the highest officials in the land. Of these men, H. E. Chang Chih Tung, Viceroy of Liang Hu (Wuchang, Hankow, etc.), was an outstanding example of scholarship, political integrity and patriotism. He himself published a book with the title Learn, an exhortation to his colleagues to arouse themselves from their complacency and face the realities of the situation. He contributed the sum of Taels 1,000 to the society towards the production of one of its outstanding books. Other officials also sent smaller sums.

THE Reform Movement increased its efforts after the war with Japan and its leaders especially recommended the books of the society. The emperor Kuang Hsu came under the influence of the noted reformers Kang Yu Wei and Liang Chi Ts'ao and sent for a complete set of the society's books, and Dr. Richard himself was consulted on many important questions. In 1898 the emperor issued several premature edicts which brought down the wrath of the empress-dowager and outraged many of the most cherished convictions of the people. The two leaders escaped, but nine of the reformers were beheaded, the emperor himself being confined to his Winter Palace from which he never again emerged. A reaction set in culminating in the Boxer Movement of 1900 with all its atrocities and consequent national humiliation.

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nifies  
not alone the one who loves, but  
also the beloved.  
Unto that day love was for me a  
thread of cobweb between two  
flowers, close to one another;  
But now it become a halo with  
neither beginning nor end,  
Encircling all that has been and  
waxing eternally to embrace  
all that shall be."

**Kahlil Gibran:**  
"My Soul Counseled Me."

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"O the wild sweet rain when  
December passes by!  
And the tinkling tune it plays  
In a thousand different ways—  
O the rustle of the cedar and the  
clatter of the palms.  
O the glad strong wind in the  
tumult of its song!  
And the Christmas-bush a-  
swinging,  
Its dainty bells a-ringing  
To the humming of the mountain  
and the chorus of the  
seas . . ."

**Arabel Moulton-Barrett:**  
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Those who knew the tune heard  
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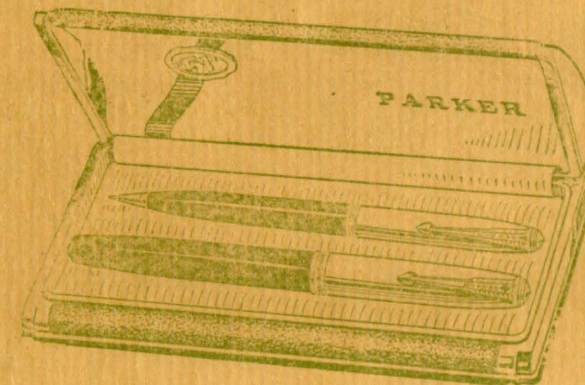
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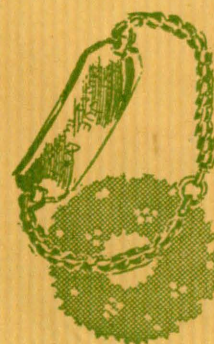
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PERSONS PLACES THINGS

By OLD JOE

PERSONS

Still on the subject of Drawbacks to Progress in the Jamaica of a little over a century ago, referred to in previous issues — The attempt to fasten upon the Secretary of the Baptist Society in Jamaica, the responsibility for the Morant Bay rising having failed, the intrepid workers set their plans for the onward march.

The chief obstacle to the general progress of the coloured population was the removal of the plantocracy from the island government. Immediately after the revolt, (1866), the House of Assembly ceased to exist, and was replaced by a system of Crown Government, which, with a certain number of elected members, has prevailed up to a few years ago. Capable and fairminded men, sent in succession from England, represent the Sovereign power of the King, and are assisted by colleagues nominated by the Crown, or elected by the inhabitants of each parish.

Another event soon following the revolt, and due to that same spirit of reform which the sadness of that time engendered, was the disestablishment and disendowment of the Episcopal Church in Jamaica. Up to that time the clergy and institutions of the State Church had received support from the island funds, in the same way in which the Established Church is maintained in England; but in 1870 complete disestablishment was decided upon. Henceforth the Episcopal Church had to be supported by its own funds and the contributions of its adherents, just as is the case with Wesleyan or Baptist.

Another step in the march of progress took place in 1867. Under the reformed Government a system of grants-in-aid to elementary schools was introduced. There were then in the island three hundred and seventy-nine such schools, mostly under the superintendence and management of clergymen and missionaries; two hundred and twenty-six of these received aid from the

Government. Nearly half were connected with the Established Church; for a very considerable number of Non-conforming ministers had persistently refused to accept Government aid. Nor was it until they were convinced that there was no intention whatever to interfere with the religious education imparted, and that the amount of aid would be regulated solely by the attainments of the children in secular subjects, irrespective of denominational distinctions, that they gradually fell in with the plan.

Another sign of progress was reflected in the Baptist extension work. The finance showed that the 95 churches during the year 1871 had contributed £1,952 for repair and building work, while from outside, chiefly through the Baptist Missionary Society in England, £2,575 had been received for the same purpose. The appeal for more workers resulted in the sending in 1871 Rev. T. L. Rees, and in the following year Revs. Philip Williams and J. E. Gummer, the latter from Demerara

Another welcome relief from the struggle and depression of earlier years, was to induce the Government, who had just issued a most favourable report as to the finances of the island, to spend their surplus in three directions: 1: Extended elementary education for the children of all classes in Jamaica; (2) A better method for the registration of marriages, births and deaths, so that, as in other parts of the Empire, the birth, the death and the marriage union of any British subject in the island, coloured

or European should be legally recorded; (3) The construction and repair of the roads and bridges. The wording of the resolution on this last matter gives a picture of the times: "We urge upon the Government the exceeding importance of spending such an amount of public funds as will put into a good state of repair the second-and third-class roads in the interior, over which the masses of the people travel both to church and market. It is our opinion that the produce grown in the mountains becomes much deteriorated in value, and that education, civilization, morals, and religion are at present hindered in their operation for want of better roads and bridges."

Note: The present generation have no idea of the kind of mountain tracks and river fords that their fathers and mothers had to trudge over as best they could.

Yet another sign of progressive effort was this: In 1874 the English Missionary Society being anxious to extend their work in the Bahama Islands, 500 miles north of Jamaica, selected a Jamaican pastor, Rev. W. N. Brown, a native, and trained at the Baptist College, (1869), to be their Missionary at Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas.

The years 1876-77 initiated another method of assisting the Jamaica Mission, which has been made use of many times since, even as late as the present year (1949). Mr. Taylor, an evangelist, visited Jamaica and held special services from place to place. This resulted in the quickening of religious life inside the Church, and a large number

of marriages, chiefly between people who had been living together without the sanction of the law. It is on record also that much of the fruit of Mr. Taylor's evangelistic efforts remains to this day.

The years 1879-80 were marked by the death, in quick succession, of several of the Fathers of the Mission. There were three of these, the years of whose active service added together made 149 years, very nearly an average of 50 years apiece: James Reid (1837) of Montego Bay First Church; James Mursell Phillippo (1823), and John Clarke of Jericho. Mr. Phillippo's length of service was fifty six years; he was one of the first of slave-time missionaries. Mr. Clarke, beside doing fine pastoral work in Jamaica, was one of the pioneer missionaries from Jamaica to Africa in 1840. Mr. Reid, an accomplished scholar, had charge of the big chapel at Montego Bay, which Mr. Burchell built to replace one which was burnt down by the slavery party in 1832.

Special Note: The year following the name of any person is the year in which, as minister or missionary he took up work in Jamaica or other fields.

The dipsomaniac and the abstainer are not only both mistaken but they both make the same mistake. They both regard wine as a drug and not as a drink.

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## TRADITIONAL CHINESE TALES

## THE JADE KUANYIN

Anonymous

12th Century

Translated by Chi-chen Wang

(Continued from last issue)

Along the bamboos the morning glories climb,  
Through the hedge-trees the moonlight peeps.  
In the glass cups there is crude wine  
And in the jade dish some salted beans.  
Regret not  
But be gay

For laughter is life's best pay;  
Once you rode at the head of a hundred thousand men  
While no one remembers who you are today.

THIS song was written to the tune of "Patridges across the Sky" by a certain General Liu of the Hsiungwu troops. After the battle of Shunchang he lived at Hsiangtan in very modest circumstances, for he was a general that cared nothing about money. He used to go to the country wine shops to drink, but no one remembered him and few paid him any respect. And so he composed this poem to express how he felt.

Now this poem was seen by certain important personages in the capital and they all felt sorry for the general. Among these were the Prince of Yangho and the Prince of Hsienan, Tsui Ning's erstwhile master, who both sent money and presents to General Liu. It was the messenger of the Prince of Hsienan that Tsui Ning passed on the Hsiangtan road. His name was Kuo Li, one of the Prince's bodyguards. He followed Tsui Ning to his house and surprised both Tsui Ning and Hsiu Hsiu, saying, "So you are here, Master Tsui! And Hsiu Hsiu here too!"

Tsui Ning and his wife were frightened to death and implored Kuo Li not to betray them. "Why should I betray you?" Kuo Li said. "The Prince knows nothing about you two and it is not for me to meddle in other people's affairs." Then he partook of the feast that Tsui Ning set out for him, thanked his hosts and went away.

After he had reported to the Prince he said, "Your Highness, I saw two persons at Tanchow

that Your Highness would probably like to know about." "Who are they?" the Prince asked. "The bondmaid Hsiu Hsiu and Tsui Ning the jade carver," Kuo Li answered. "They invited me to a feast and begged me not to tell Your Highness about them."

Thereupon the Prince commanded the prefect of Linan to have Tsui Ning and Hsiu Hsiu arrested. The prefect obeyed and sent an official note to the prefect of Tanchow. In due time Tsui Ning and Hsiu Hsiu were returned to the Prince. Thereupon, the Prince went into his great hall to confront the fugitives. Now when the Prince was in the wars against the barbarians he carried in his right hand a sword called Great Blacky and in his left hand a sword called Little Blacky and many were the barbarians who had perished under those swords. The swords were now hanging on the wall. At the sight of Tsui and Hsiu Hsiu the Prince became very angry. With his left hand he took Little Blacky down from the wall and with his right he unsheathed it. His eyes were opened wide as when he slaughtered the barbarians, and he gritted his teeth so that the grinding sound they made echoed in the great hall.

LUCKILY for Tsui Ning and Hsiu Hsiu, the Princess was at the moment standing behind the screen. "Your Highness," she said from behind the screen, "You mustn't kill them! For we are now living under the shadow of the Emperor's carriage, not on the frontier. The two should be sent to the prefect's yamen and punished according to law." "They deserve death for escaping together," the Prince said, "but since you intercede for them, let Hsiu Hsiu be taken to the garden in the back and Tsui Ning sent to the prefect's yamen."

At the trial Tsui Ning confessed the true circumstances, and when the Prince found that he had not been the instigator of their escape, he did not insist on the extreme punishment. Tsui Ning was sentenced to exile at Chienkangfu.

Tsui Ning and his guard had just gone out of the North Gate when they noticed a sedan chair following them. Then Tsui Ning heard the voice of Hsiu Hsiu calling to him, saying, "Master Tsui, wait a while for me!" He wondered what Hsiu Hsiu was up to but like "a bird that has had experience with the bow," he did not dare to get further involved and so went on without answering. But soon the sedan chair overtook him and out came Hsiu Hsiu, saying, "Master Tsui, what am I to do now that you are going to Chienkang?" "I don't know," Tsui Ning said. "Let me go with you," Hsiu Hsiu said. "The Prince had me given thirty strokes of bamboo and dismissed me from service." "In that case, you can come along with me," Tsui Ning said.

They hired a boat and soon reached Chienkang. The guard returned to the capital. Now if the guard had been a telltale, Tsui Ning and Hsiu Hsiu would have been in for more trouble, but he was a sensible man and decided to mind his own business, especially since he had no connection with the Prince's palace. Moreover, Tsui Ning had been very

generous to him, providing him with food and wine all along the way, and he was inclined to say nothing of what he had seen.

TO return to Tsui Ning. He had now nothing to fear as he had been tried and sentenced. As before, he opened a jade turner's shop. Then said his wife to him, "We are now happy together, but my parents have suffered many anxieties on account of us. Let us send for them and have them live with us." To this Tsui Ning said, "Excellent," and immediately sent a messenger to the capital to get his parents-in-law, giving him their address. Arriving at the capital, the messenger went to the street to which he had been directed and inquired of the neighbours for old Chu and his wife. He located their house but found the door locked from the outside. From the neighbours he learned that they had been in great distress when their daughter was captured and that they had not been seen since.

In the meantime, as Tsui Ning was sitting home one day he heard someone say outside, "This



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## Jamaican Proverbs

## Their Meaning and Significance

Jamaican proverbs are so much akin to Jamaican dialect that I have decided to give some examples of what I may term "The Jamaican Language" before passing. By the Jamaican Language I mean the language in which a number of Jamaicans carry on their daily intercourse with each other. This is not at all the real English as spoken in the mother country. It includes certain peculiarities of the expressions in daily use among people who would be very indignant indeed if one were to refer to them as being of other than the educated classes.

For example, try your skill at working out the etymology of such phrases as the following:—

"A wish part oonoo a go?"  
"Me no min no seh nobody no min deddeh ma," or "Him massoo de sintin so trow it dung inna de putto-putto."

And yet these are merely samples which I cull from the daily speech of the labouring classes, the English of the first being, "Where are you going?" (It should be borne in mind that the word "oonoo" is only used in addressing two or more persons; it is the pronoun "you" used in the plural sense.)—Oonoo is purely an African word.—

The second phrase literally translates thus: "I did not know there was nobody there ma'am"; while the interpretation of the third is as follows: "He lifted up the thing and threw it down into the mud." (It should be noted here that the use of the word "massoo" implies that the "sintin"—something—lifted up was of considerable size and weight; not some small object, as, for instance, a breadfruit or a mango.)

I am convinced that the most superficial research into the origin of such a language would occupy much time and space, so I will reserve this treatment for a more convenient season. I propose therefore only to deal with persons standing on a higher plane, and to point out the perversions of the English language which have become so common that one frequently finds them in ordinary use even among natives of the old country who have settled here.

The most striking among the peculiarities of speech which I have fore-shadowed are what I may describe as the inversion of the interrogative, the redundancy of the negative, and the utterly unaccountable misuse of the word "again".

(To be continued next week).

And now to the usual instalment of Proverbs.

One fo' one noh do noh harm.  
One for one does no harm.  
That is, "Tit for Tat." This English equivalent phrasing

means that, as in boxing, the blow you give is as effective as the blow you receive, barring you do not hit below the belt.

The proverb also occurs as *Do-je-do mek hell full.*

*'Tone ah ribba side feel say watah 'trong.*

'Tone means stone; ribba means river; 'trong means strong. (Accent on feel).

The stones cast out on the banks of the river experience the full force of the stream as it flows onward, tumbling, scrambling, rolling, tossing, carrying down some of the stones in its path, wear down rough edges, and leaving them smooth and round, being reduced by its force. Even so the experience gained in the University of the World smoothes out rough edges and fashions a delightful character; even though the operation is unrecognisable by all and sundry.

*While you ah watch the cock, de bung ah leak.*

The bung is a stopper, often made of cork or wood, which is placed in the filling hole of a cask or barrel to prevent the contents running out. The cock is the top that locks the contents off. Hence the warning advise of the proverb, not to worry over trifles at the expense of essentials.

I am reminded of two good old English proverbs:—

"For want of a nail the wheel comes off."

"Safe bind, safe find."

*Watah mo 'an flour.*

That is, water more than flour (in making a flour cake that will not jell): a situation bordering on the impossibility. Like the housewife who cannot balance her budget, the businessman whose liabilities exceed his assets; the poor labourer who sums up the situation by repeating the proverb, his thoughts running this way: The lillie sintin' (something), ah get las' night from Busha fe mi whole week pay can even buy salting (salt provision), fe me an' me fambly (family).

Note: Poor Man's fambly consists of the following:— Liza Jane, his wife; Buddy (Captain Bud) Poor Man's papa; Ma Sue, Bud's wife; then there is Uncle Melkesideck; and Aunt Jebezel, Mel's better half and, when it comes to an argument about wages, his bitter three-quarters. Lizzie, Janey, Ceciline, Dinah and Jacky constitute Poor Man's bundle of "wild-cats". In addition are a meagre dog and a puss, much favoured appendages.

PLUTO.

is where Master Tsui lives." He went out to see who it was and who should it be but Old Chu and his wife! "It took us a long time to find you here," they said. After that the four of them lived together at Chienkang.

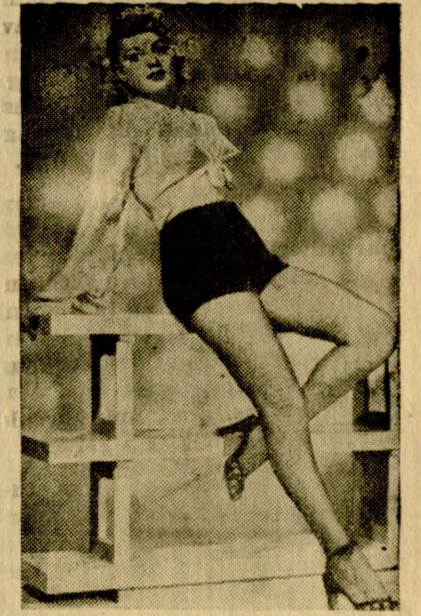
Now one day the Emperor was looking over his curios in one of the palace rooms. He took up the jade Kuanyin that Tsui had made and notice one of the bells broken off. "How can we have this repaired?" the Emperor asked. One of the attendants examined the Kuanyin and noticed the words "Made by Tsui Ning" carved at the bottom. "It is easy," the attendant said. "It is only necessary to summon the man who made this Kuanyin."

The Prince of Hsienan was commanded to produce Tsui Ning, and the latter was accordingly summoned to the capital. He was presented to the Emperor and given the Kuanyin to mend. He found a piece of jade of the exact colour and texture as the Kuanyin and did such a clever job of repairing that no one who did not know would have noticed that it had been broken. Tsui Ning was handsomely rewarded and commanded to live in the capital.

"Since I have nothing to fear

should any one run into me," Tsui Ning said, "I shall rent a house by the side of the Clear Lake River and open up another jade shop."

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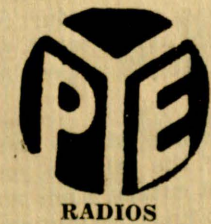


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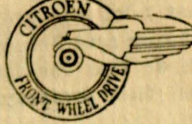
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Although my problem seems hopeless I am earnestly asking your advice in this matter. I have been married for five years and have two children. Even though I was not in love with my husband at the time of our marriage we have lived happily together.

Recently I have had the opportunity of meeting a lot of people particularly of the opposite sex. Eventually I fell in love with one of them. I knew from the beginning that it was an unwholesome affair so I tried my best to shun it, but true love cannot be destroyed as easily as one would uproot a weed out of a garden.

When I discovered that the situation was becoming dangerous I finally succeeded in making a separation between my lover and myself. But during that period I found myself gradually disliking my husband more and more despite his continuous effort to make me happy and contented.

I had no intention whatsoever to make any change with the other man who had come into my life as I knew he was not suited for me. Now although he is out of the way and I want to be devoted to my husband as before I find it almost impossible for my affections to return to its right place. I do not want a divorce and yet I am unhappy with him. He still loves me and I don't want him to know that I had betrayed the confidence he placed in me. I am eager to start anew but I just can't love him as I should.

Must I let him know how I feel about him and break up our marriage, or live the balance of my life in this pretence of love.

What shall I do? I am really anxious to save our marriage for my children's sake.

C. H.

Dear C. H.

Although you refer to your affair as "true love" I think if you examine yourself thoroughly you will find that it is merely infatuation.

You married your husband without really loving him, but having lived happily with him for five years you must have developed a certain fondness and respect for him, especially as you say that he makes every effort to make you happy and contented.

I think that the trouble is that meeting these people you feel that

you have missed something. Let me tell you that true love is a calm affair — a deep calm fondness, respect and tolerance between two people who can live contentedly together. The wild, tumultuous feeling that you have for the other man could never stand the storm and stress of year after year together.

You yourself realised this when you said that you knew that it was "an unwholesome affair." You also say yourself that you know he is not suited to you. Then let him go my dear, he would only bring you unhappiness and bitterness!

You say that you want to become devoted to your husband. This cannot be done overnight, especially when you know that you have betrayed his confidence, but with time and patience I believe that you will have your wish and will save your marriage.

I suggest that you take a short holiday away from your home, with some relative or good friend. While you are away try to visualise to yourself just what it would be like if you were never to go back to your home. Think what it would be like to lose the respect and love of your husband. The love, care and respect of your children. Think what it would be like never to enter your own home again and to share in all the things you have come to love. Think of the loss of friendships, and last of all, think of the long bitter days that would lie ahead when your romantic wooer no longer cared, for he too would lose his respect for you!

When you return with a fresh appreciation of the value of your home and all it entails, I am sure you will at last find love and contentment there. Until then I see no reason to make your husband unhappy, when you have made up your mind that your marriage is "for better, for worse"

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

I have never entertained formally but must do so at a dinner party marking the opening of my new home.

Could you help me with some pointers?

Mrs. May.

Dear Mrs. May,

My best advice to you is to keep your menu simple. Stick to dishes at which you excel and do not

try elaborate new recipes that may well turn out a failure.

When seating your guests the most important man present or guest of honour should be placed on your right, the male guest of second importance on your left. In the same way the lady guest of honour sits at your husband's right hand and the lady guest of second importance on his left.

Try to be your own calm self and not get flustered. It is a good plan if you can have everything ready for service, with the exception of a few last minutes touches by the cook, at least half an hour before your guests arrive. This will give you time to recheck anything that may have been overlooked, and to put a last touch of powder on your nose, so that you may be charming and well poised to meet your guests.

If there is anything else you would like to be told about just drop me a line.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

Reading some of your columns recently, I got interested, and I would like you to help me, although you may not be a beautician.

E. M.

I live some distance from a beauty counter, and would like to purchase a colourless lash-growing cream for my eyebrows and lashes. Could you say what 'brand' I should purchase to let my eyelashes turn up and grow longer. (They are now straight).

I would like to have a pair of starry eyes.

Please answer my letter as early as possible.

Effie.

Dear Effie,

I am sure every girl would like to have a pair of starry eyes, and that is within the reach of every one. Plenty of sleep and good health are your assurance of bright and beautiful eyes. A word of warning, regular elimination is essential.

At most drug stores you will find that you can obtain a small piece of cocoa-butter. This is perfectly safe to use, it adds a delicate gleam to your lashes and brows and helps to make them grow. You should apply it with an eyelash brush, and when brushing it onto your eyelashes use a curling motion. Leave it on all night.

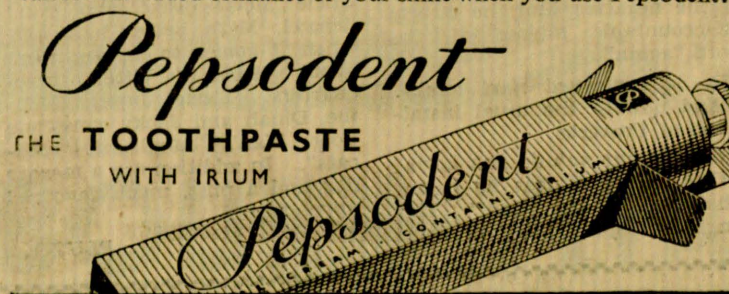
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## IN PARENTHESIS

A young man's love can take the place of everything — except an old man's money.

Woman motorist, after head-on collision in King Street: "You had no right to assume that I had made up my mind."

A very thin man met a very fat man in the hotel lobby.

"From the looks of you," said the fat man, "there might have been a famine."

"Yes," was the reply, "and from the looks of you, you might have caused it."

Boarder — "Ah, your steak is like the weather this evening, madam, rather raw."

Landlady — "Indeed? By the way, your account is like the weather too, unsettled."

The new maid-servant embarrassed her mistress by using big words.

"If you please, ma'am, there's a mendicant at the door."

"Tell him there's nothing to mend."

A philosopher is one who instead of crying over spilt milk consoles himself with the thought that it was four-fifths water anyway.

A woman went to a bank. She noticed there was a new face behind the window.

"Has the cashier gone away to take a rest?" she inquired.

"No," replied the new man, "he has gone away to avoid it."

A wealthy American girl was attending a social at a country house in England.

"You American girls haven't such healthy complexions as we English women have," said an English duchess to the girl. "I always wonder why our noblemen take a fancy to your white faces."

"It isn't our white faces that attracts them," responded the American girl; "it's our green-backs."

She knew just the sort of hat she wanted. It needn't be "smart" or fashionable. It must be cheap, and ready to give years of service. It was for her husband.

"You gwineter hang up any mistletoe dis Chris'mus, Anna-lena?"

"Not me. Deed I isn't. I got too much pride to advertise for de ordinary cou'tesies a lady have a right to expect."

"Doin' any good?" asked the stranger on the bridge.

"Doin' any good!" answered the fisherman in the banks of the creek below. "Why I caught forty bass out o' here yesterday."

"Say, do you know who I am?" asked the man of the bridge.

"Naw, I kain't say as I kin," answered the fisherman.

"Well, I'm the county fish and game warden."

The fisher did some quick thinking. After a moment's hesitation, he exclaimed:

"Wall, say, do you know who I am?"

"No, who're you?"

"I'm the biggest liar in Sullivan County."

Lady: "What caused you to become a tramp, my man?"

Tramp: "The fam'ly physician, mum."

Lady: "The family physician? Why, how in the world could the family physician have been the cause?"

Tramp: "Well, it was him, and none other, mum. He advised me to take long walks after me meals, an' I've been walkin' after 'em ever since."

After purchasing a quart the man in Apartment X found that it not only corroded his own copper-lined interior, but that it ate out all the plumbing fixtures as well. So he presented the quart to Al, the janitor. A few days later, seeing the janitor on duty once more, he stopped for conversation.

"Well, Al, how did you find the likker?"

"Jes' right, Cap'n, jes' right," was Al's reply.

"What do mean, 'jes' right?'"

"Well suh, Cap'n, if that likkur had been any bettah, you wouldn't have given it to me, and if it had been any wusser I'd a died. It was jes' right, Cap'n, jes' right."

Two men were separating when one said, "Au revoir."

"Vat's dat?" asked the first.

"Dat's good-bye in French."

"Vell," said the first, "carbolic acid!"

"Vat's dat?" asked his friend.

"Dat's good-bye in any language."

It is a miserable thing to live in suspense; it is the life of a spider.



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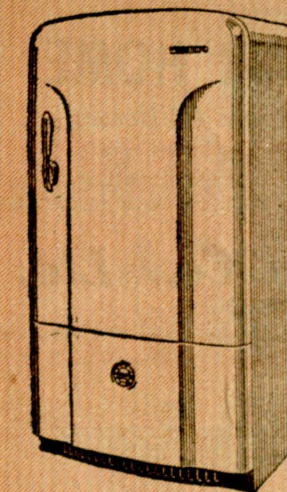
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The winners of a recent beauty contest held in Miami posed here for their picture. Winner stands in the centre with the second and third place winners beside her.

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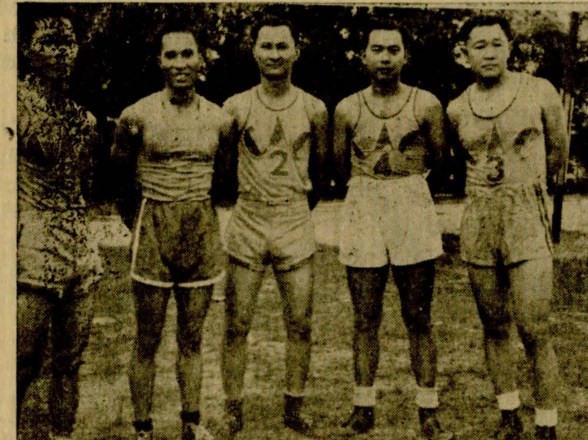


Members of the Christian Guild at the Communion Breakfast last Sunday at Marine Villa. Top picture (l. to r.), Mr. Headley Hosang, Rev. Fr. Bateman, Mrs. Horace Chang, Mrs. L. R. Manson Hing, Mrs. John Wong, Mrs. D.



Leahong, Mr. John Wong. Lower picture (left to right) Miss Dorothea Chinn, Miss Pansy Chinn, Miss Edna Chin, Miss Mavis Lee, Mrs. Thomas Chang, Mrs. A. Chin Foong, Mr. Allan McFarlane, Miss Elaine Chin.

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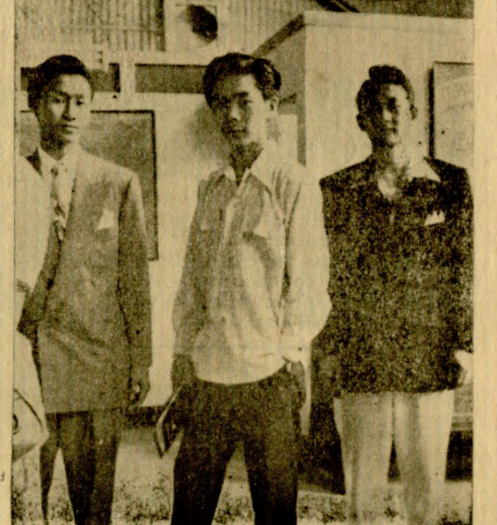
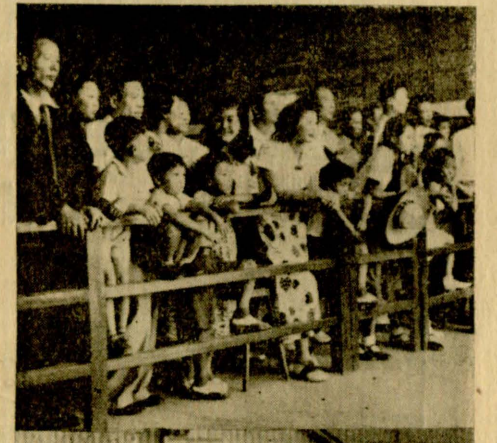


(PICTURE ON LEFT)

Two of the seven teams entered in the Jamaica Basketball Tournament. Top picture—The C.A.C. Tigers (left to right) Lennie Chin, Cleveland Chin, Harold Chin Fatt, Eddie Wong Pow and Cecil Chin Yee. Lower picture—The Community Store (left to right, standing) Jack Ho Hing, Don Statz, Alty Chin, Headley Hosang, (Kneeling) Simon Yuen, Thomas Chin, Stanley Chin, Leslie Lyn Ah Woo.

(PICTURE ON RIGHT)

AT THE PALISADOES AIRPORT, Top Picture—The large crowd waiting anxiously on the rails for the Pan American plane carrying the last batch of 40 passengers from Hong-kong. Lower picture—Three of the passengers who arrived on the plane, (left to right) Joslyn Hoo, Donald Hoo and Leslie Ho.



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### HEALTH FOR ALL

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How is a specific allergy discovered? In much the same way that the existence of allergies was first made known. Eighty years ago an English doctor who suffered from a strange fever discovered that when he rubbed timothy grass pollen into a cut in his hand a red, itching weal appeared. When he applied the pollen to his nose he had a severe attack of what we call hay fever. He concluded that he was hypersensitive to pollens.

Today if a doctor suspects you are suffering from an allergy he makes skin tests to determine to which things you are sensitive. Since there are so many things to which you could be allergic, he first asks a series of questions. If he learns that you feel ill every time you clean house, he makes a skin test with house dust or possibly with the dander of one of your house pets. If the skin tests show that you are hypersensitive to house dust, the doctor can reduce your sensitivity to it. He begins by injecting a weak solution of an extract of house dust. He gradually increases the strength of the injection until you become "desensitized," or are no longer allergic. The desensi-

tizing agent is called an allergen. If your allergy had been to something easier to avoid, and not too essential as, for instance, clams, the problem would be simpler. The doctor would advise you not to eat clams.

If the skin tests were infallible, allergies would be less of a problem. Unfortunately they are not. Some people with an allergy do not react positively to a skin test, some without an allergy do. These cases must be solved by trial and error.

### A CHRISTMAS LEGEND

(Continued from page 10)

heard before, rising and falling away up there in the sky, that the people in the church sat for a moment as still as though something held each of them by the shoulders. Then they all stood up together and stared straight at the altar, to see what gift had awakened the long-silent bells.

But all that the nearest of them saw was the childish figure of Little Brother, who had crept softly down the aisle when no one was looking, and had laid Pedro's little piece of silver on the altar.

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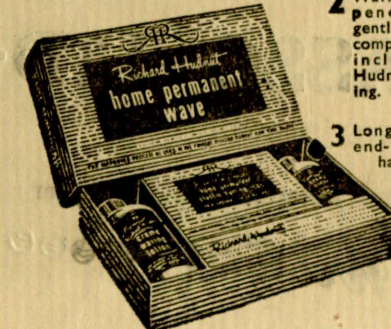
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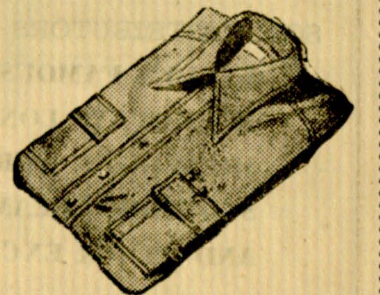
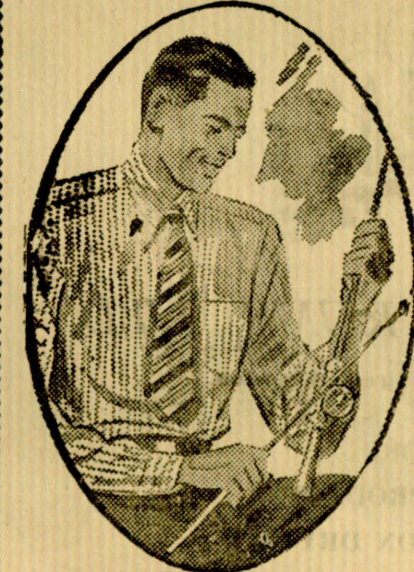
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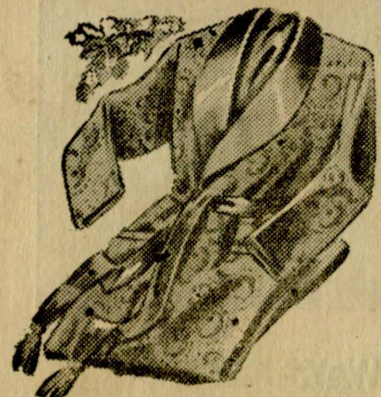
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**THE CHRISTMAS GIFT**  
(Continued from page 4)

She knew then that the next move would have to be hers.

She told Little Joe that she was going to see a friend.

"What, Mummy, on Christmas Eve?" Disappointment was written over his face.

"Yes, darling, but it won't be for long! This friend is very, very sick!"

"All right, but hurry back before Santa comes!"

"Sure Darling!"

As she reached the door he heard her swift intake of breath. There was a moment's silence, then he heard her sobbing, uncontrollably.

"Mummy, mummy, what's happened? Mummy, tell me!"

**W**HEN he received no answer he slipped out of bed, grasped for support to a table, a chair, then to the edge of the door and in the dim glow reflected by the street lights, he saw his mother in the arms of a man. She was shaking convulsively. The man kept patting her shoulders and murmuring:

"Don't cry honey, everything's right now."

Little Joe wondered what Mass P's daddy had come for, then he saw the package under his arm

and he knew that he had brought him a present.

Then the man addressed him: "Little Joe, how's the boy!"

It was almost like a great shout raised in his ears, the echo of that voice in his heart. **IT WAS HIS DADDY**, his own, very, very own daddy. New strength flowed into his limbs and he ran into eagerly awaiting arms. It was the most wonderful feeling in the world, daddy, mummy and himself, everybody hugging everybody else, everybody crying, and nobody sad anymore. Oh, it was wonderful, wonderful.

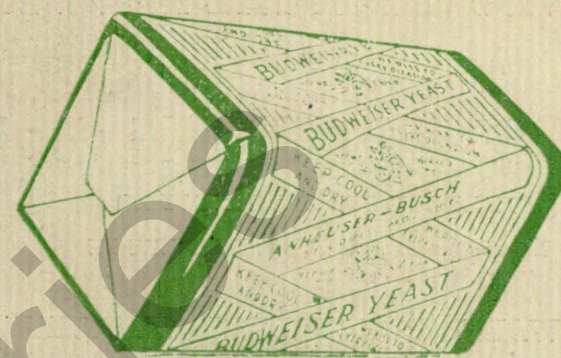
The reunion, his mother found out later, was brought about by Little Joe's doctor who attended Big Joe at the hospital. He came in for treatment and gave his name, and the good doctor suddenly remembered the sick boy who wanted his father so badly. He told the father how ill his little boy was and urged him to forget old quarrels and see Little Joe before it was too late. Fortunately Big Joe was not the one who was seriously hurt and as he left the hospital he went straight to the address which the doctor gave him, thankful for the Divine Providence that saved him.

"Little Joe, what about your present, aren't you opening it?"

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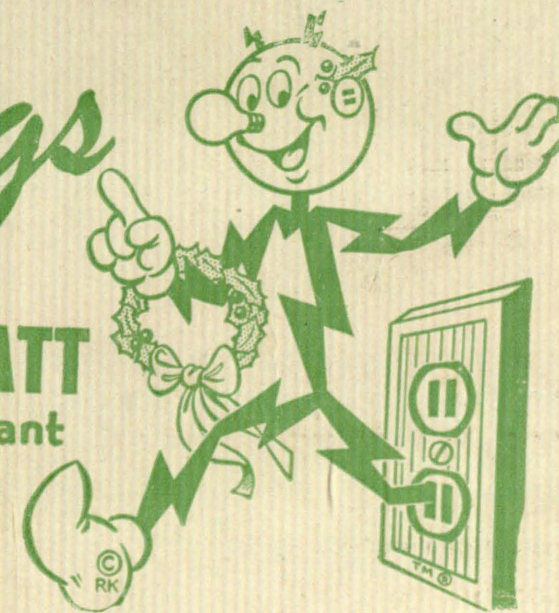
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