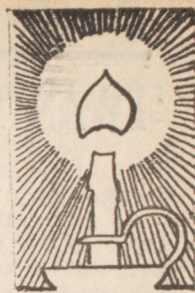


Merry Christmas



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Weather: Milder tonight with snow
and milder weather for Friday

STATE OF AFFAIRS IN EUROPE TODAY IS SAID TO BE THREATENING DEMOCRACY

The Closed Door School Board Makes a Secret Appointment

Ontario Man Comes to Fredericton Over Our
Teachers' Heads

Local Teachers Turned Down

Another Evidence of Results When Public Busi-
ness Transacted Behind Closed Doors

As announced in The Daily Mail yesterday afternoon the Closed Door School Board met yesterday and appointed a superintendent of schools in succession to R. D. Hanson, who died a few months ago. The Daily Mail was unable yesterday to give the public the name of the new superintendent. The school board office while admitting that a secret meeting had taken place and an appointment had been made, refused to give the Fredericton papers the name of the gentleman appointed. It was stated at the school board office that the trustees would not take the public into their confidence until today. In the meantime the announcement of the new superintendent was given through the Saint John paper. Two or three weeks ago The Daily Mail states that the Board had received applications for the post from residents of Montreal and Ontario. This we learned in our own way as it filtered through the doors of the Closed School Board. Nobody believed, however, that the board would pass over the heads of several experienced school teachers who were applicants for the position. But they have done so.

The new superintendent of schools is Guy D. Scovil, a native and former resident of Saint John who has for some years been residing at Brockville, Ontario. Mr. Scovil, who is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick, later took a post-graduate course in the University of Toronto. Lately he has been employed on the staff of the Brockville Collegiate school. His father died several years ago at Saint John and his mother resides in this city. So far as can be learned, Mr. Scovil has never been

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POPE PIUS IS RESTING - TO BROADCAST

VATICAN CITY Dec. 24—Pope Pius completed the text of his Christmas message to the world and rested in bed throughout the day to conserve his energy for delivery of the address tomorrow. He had passed a fitful night, and pain in his partly paralyzed legs bothered him a great deal. Unless he feels much better tomorrow morning, prelates said he would speak from his bed with Father Socorsi, director of the Vatican broadcasting station, holding the microphone. Otherwise, he will speak from an armchair.

The Pontiff will talk very slowly, at about 50 words per minute, and his message, it is estimated, will require 15 to 20 minutes. The broadcast will be at 12.30 p.m. (7.30 a.m. A.S.T.).

S. J. Hungerford Sends Greetings to Employees

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MONCTON, Dec. 24—The following Christmas message from S. J. Hungerford, Chairman and President, Canadian National Railways, has been received by W. U. Appleton, vice-president and general manager, Atlantic region: "To all in the service and to their families, I extend every good wish for Christmas and for prosperity and happiness through the coming year."

DUKE OF KENT'S 14 MONTHS OLD SON TAKES JOB AS ROYAL "SALESMAN"

LONDON, Dec. 24—Britain's newest royal "salesman"—Prince Edward, 14-months-old son of the Duke of Kent—took over his duties with a flourish today.

Although the son of the youngest son of Queen Mother Mary wasn't proclaimed from St. James Palace, he might as well have been—for London papers plastered his photograph all over front pages.

Apparently designated to become the royal family's personality prince, photographs taken today show the blond-haired youngster waving gaily, registering pleased curiosity, smiling and laughing.

Incidentally, today was the first time in British history that photo-

graphers formally were invited to rally round a member of the royal family and snap pictures at will.

Miners in New South Wales Receive Gifts From Unknown Givers

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Dec. 24—A great many homes in the South Wales mining districts are receiving Christmas packages from mysterious donors. It is estimated that over sixty thousand parcels have been sent to needy families in those districts. A great many of the donors are people from London whose names are unknown.



Holy Night

AND there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not; for behold I bring to you good tidings and great joy which shall be to all people."

For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly hosts praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the Babe lying in a manger.

St. Luke 2:8-16.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR



HIS HONOR
THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR
COL. MURRAY MACLAREN

Two races of ancient and honourable name have laid the foundations of our strength and prosperity, have faced together the emergencies of the past, and are now knit in indissoluble bonds of friendship and in a common loyalty. We look forward with a happy confidence to a continuance of those blessings, spiritual and temporal, under the rule of His Majesty King George VI.

May those in distress and discomfort be cared for and may the New Year bring happiness and blessings to all.

MURRAY MACLAREN,
Lieutenant Governor.

To all the people of New Brunswick:

I extend my most cordial greetings and heartiest good wishes for your prosperity and continued happiness in the New Year.

In this old and well-favored land by the sea we have enjoyed that peace and security and freedom that is the most fortunate possession of all lands under the British Crown.

While in many parts of the world the clouds are lowering, we may feel stirred with pride at the steady influence which our Empire has maintained among the nations and its splendid efforts to bring peace and good will to all the peoples.

At a time when liberty is assailed and individual rights are invaded in so many quarters, we rejoice as British subjects in that liberty of action, that freedom of expression of opinion, and those constitutional privileges that belong to all within our Commonwealth.

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SIR HENRY COLE SENT THE FIRST CHRISTMAS CARD

Missive Showed Happy
Family Holding Glas-
ses of Wine

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—Ninety years old this Dec. 25 the Christmas card, which now occupies a very definite and important place in American social life, might have died as suddenly as it began if it had not been for the prohibitionists of 1846.

First Christmas Card
Although minus its fringe and deckled edges, the sentiment expressed in the early years of the Christmas card's existence has changed very little.

The first bit of decorated paper to qualify for the title of Christmas card is credited to Sir Henry Cole (at that time, plain mister.) who lived in Merrie England. He suggested to a royal artist, J. C. Horsley, that he design a special form of greeting to be sent to friends at yuletide.

Horsley produced a drawing with a decorative trelis on which entwined

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Twenty Thousand German Soldiers Arrive in Spain

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MADRID, Dec. 24—The government forces are making further advances although they are not progressing around the capital. Much heavy fighting is going on in the north-eastern part.

The insurgents have captured a government oil tanker on the north-western coast. Madrid claims that over twenty thousand German soldiers have arrived in Spain since December 12. There are also a great many Italians fighting in Spain but their numbers are not known as yet.

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EXTREMELY TENSE SITUATION IN EUROPE TODAY

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Dec. 24—The situation in Europe today is extremely tense, while waiting for Hitler's decision in the Spanish question. European affairs today are said to be a threat to democracy. France has said that she will be forced to aid the Madrid government and she intends to do it if Hitler sends armed forces to the rebels.

British Subjects to Be Placed in Safety in Northern China

NANKING, Dec. 24—Arrangements are being made to move British subjects from North China to a place of safety as a result of the rebellion which is now raging in that part of the country.

Rebels Announce Boat was En Route to Alicante with Arms

Men Are Abandoned Aboard Their Burning
Vessel

Four Survivors Executed

Butchery of Russians By the Rebel Forces is
Reported

GOV.-GENERAL HOST TO RIDEAU HALL STAFF

OTTAWA, Dec. 24—Tomorrow the unmarried members of Government House staff will personally receive Christmas gifts from Lord Tweedsmuir, His Excellency today having presented seasonable tokens to the married members. These include employees of the public works department, the federal district commission, the Royal Canadian Mounted Po-

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Belgium Follows Example of England and France

(Special to The Daily Mail)
BRUSSELS, Dec. 24—The Belgian legation at Addis Ababa has been replaced by a Consulate General. The Belgians in this way are following the example of England and France and are not recognizing Italy's conquest in Ethiopia.

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France Feels Compelled
to Help Government as
Result of Hitler's Aid
to Rebels.

LONDON, Dec. 24—The situation in European affairs has become extremely tense. Camouflaged warships, "bored" by the Spanish insurgents from a foreign power whose identity was not divulged, are blockading Barcelona more effectively than is generally supposed, it is reported.

Three cruisers, all representing themselves as the Almirante Cervantes and flying the insurgent flag, were simultaneously observed recently at widely separated points along Spain's Mediterranean coast, this informant told Havas.

He confirmed reports that Italy was gradually withdrawing its aid to the insurgents, while Germany was sending increasingly large contingents of soldiers and fighting material.

In the last month 19,600 Germans and 26 Junker planes equipped with 42-millimetre guns have debarked at

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LONDON, Dec. 24—The Daily Herald, Labor party organ, asserted today in a dispatch from Gibraltar, that Spanish nationalists attacked the Russian steamship Komsomol, abandoned it in flames with the crew aboard and executed the only four men who escaped.

The Gibraltar correspondent of the newspaper asserted that he learned the circumstances of the attack from an insurgent source.

According to the dispatch the cruiser Canarias stood by while the Komsomol blazed and all but four men of the crew perished in the flames. The other four, the correspondent said, were picked up by the Canarias and later executed.

This report, calculated further to inflame Russian anger at reports of the Komsomol's fate, was supplemented by another broadcast by the nationalist wireless station at Tetuan, Morocco, and picked up at Lisbon. Tetuan, announcing the beginning of the nationalist blockade of all loyalist ports, said that a Russian steamship struck a mine off Alicante, on the Spanish east coast, yesterday and sank with all hands. It was added that the ship was taking food and arms to Alicante.

A nationalist gunboat appeared at the entrance to Tangier Bay, Morocco, and signalled its capture of the

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MANY TELEGRAMS WILL BE SENT TO FRIENDS

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MONCTON, Dec. 24—To that relative or friend to whom you have overlooked sending Christmas and New Year greetings at the last minute, a telegram will bring your greetings on Christmas morning.

"We find that in the rush of sending out their greetings, many people

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Switzerland Has Recognized the Italian Conquest

(Special to The Daily Mail)
GENEVA, Dec. 24—Switzerland is replacing her legation in Ethiopia with a Consulate General and following the footsteps of Germany, Austria, Hungary and Albania is recognizing Italy's Empire in Ethiopia.