

"WHITE GIFT" SUNDAY MARKED BY GENEROUS GIFTS FOR POOR

Children Throng City Sunday School Rooms With Contributions to Aid Less Fortunate Ones

NOVEL IDEAS USED IN PRESENTATIONS

Donations Larger Than Ever—Special Exercises Are Conducted In Connection With Christmas Giving By Children in Money and Supplies

IT WAS White Gift Sunday for the majority of the Sunday schools in the city yesterday and the pupils took part in special programs and made the presentation of their "White Gifts" for the King. The gifts were of many kinds and presented in many novel ways and in the aggregate made a mighty store.

The gifts were all to be sent to the poor at Christmas or to country Sunday schools and it was said that never before had there been such a generously large supply of gifts in kind and in money presented on White Gift Sunday.

At a White Gift service of Knox Sunday school, F. A. Corringham, the superintendent, presided and a great many gifts were received. The program included the following carols, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "The Wise Men Bring Their Learning," "The Town of Bethlehem," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." The scripture portion read was Matthew 2:1 to 12. Rev. Mr. Rodger offered prayer. As the primary school brought gifts, the children sang "Away in a Manger." Gifts were presented by the classes taught by the following teachers: Miss P. C. C. Cameron, Herman Campbell, Mrs. Herman Campbell, Miss E. Mitchell, Frank Murphy and F. A. Corringham. A Christmas song was sung by the following junior boys: Gordon Crockett, Donald Fraser, Bobby Clayton, Tom Wilson, Calvin Laskey, Earle Fraser, Eric Colwell, Fred Hines, Christie Beaman and Gordon McLean.

Ludlow Street

R. H. Parsons, superintendent, presided at an impressive White Gift service in the Ludlow street Baptist Sunday school, West End, and gave the opening address. Robert Gregory, a former member of the school, who is now a medical student at McGill, read the scripture lesson, and prayer was offered by Rev. W. A. Robinson, who afterwards made presentations to the members of the church. The gifts were presented by the members of the church and were of many kinds. The gifts were presented by the members of the church and were of many kinds. The gifts were presented by the members of the church and were of many kinds.

The prayer and scripture reading were given by the primary department in chorus under the direction of Mrs. George Gibson, primary superintendent. A scene in Herod's court, The Holy Night at the Manger, The Last Night in the Book, and The Wise Men in the East, were each in turn presented in impressive pageantry. The curtain tenders were Hazel Walton and Harry Rupert. Miss M. E. Mullin was the pianist, and violinists were Carl Johansen and Delbert Black. Those taking part in the pageants were: Mary and Joseph—Miss Sadie Burke and Thos. Brown. Shepherds—Kenneth Black, Donald Maher, Harry Lanyon, Chester Campbell, Sutton Roxborough. Census-taker—Ernest Campbell. King Herod—Edwin B. Rupert. Court servants—Mildred Martin, Ronald Hamilton, Leslie Hamm. Messenger—Miller Brittain. Wise Men—Halph J. Rupert, Carl Robbins, Prescott McLean. Citizens of Jerusalem—Scott Roxborough. The programme is to be repeated on December 29, and will be given at the rally of the Baptist Sunday schools.

Exmouth Street

There were 250 of the members of the Sunday school present at the White Gift service at Exmouth street church in the afternoon at which E. E. Thomas, superintendent, presided. A missionary pageant entitled "Christmas and Mission" was admirably given and showed the mission field of the United Church. Those who took part were as follows: Miss Isabel Carr, the United Church; Miss M. Cosman, Toronto Conference; Miss L. Lawton, British Columbia; Miss T. Huggison, Newfoundland; Miss D. Young, Manitoba; Miss H. Handren, Maritimes; Miss H. Hamburg, London; Miss M. Patterson, Montreal; Miss M. Ogler, Hamilton; Miss A. Wethers, Bay of Quinte; Miss M. Nixon, Alberta; Miss E. Pomey, Saskatchewan.

Mission Stations: Miss D. Belyea, Formosa; Miss M. Macfarland, Trinidad; Miss E. Magnusson, Japan; Miss E. Scott, India; Miss M. Irwin, Africa; Miss J. Cosman, British Guiana; Miss J. Young, China; Miss A. Stevenson, Korea. Miss Greta Love had trained the members of the pageant cast and was given much credit for the splendid presentation. The girls who represented the mission fields wore the native costumes. The White Gift service followed and the scholars' gifts were bountiful. The platform of the Sunday school had been decorated to represent a snow-storm with a star glistening on the ice ground and was very effective. W. L. Beville headed the committee which had charge of the decorations.

Portland Church

Portland Sunday school held its first white gift service yesterday afternoon and used for the first time 300 new chairs which have been presented by the Ladies' Aid to replace the former benches. S. A. Kirk presided and there were 476 scholars present and the school room was nicely decorated. A pleasing program was admirably given and a great array of gifts presented.

St. David's Church

At the White Gift service at St. David's Sunday school Miss P. MacGowan was the organist, and Miss Helen Gifford was choir leader. Albert Punter was pianist. Processional and recessional hymns were sung. Robert Reid, superintendent, was in the chair. Gordon Lippett gave the invocation and led in the prayer. Readings were given by Helen Ewing and Eleanor J. Ledingham. Portions of scripture were repeated by Thomas

took part in a Christmas exercise: Dorothy Steele, Pearl Jarvis, Miriam McAllister, Jean Porter, Mildred Sherwood, Dorothy Kincaid, Marion Sherwood, Eleanor McClelland and Bille Gill. The superintendent, J. H. Murphy, presided. A great many gifts were presented including a large quantity of groceries, a crate of oranges from the Excelsior Club, a barrel of apples from the Boy Scouts and money from the Young Men's Club. The manger scene was depicted on the platform.

Centenary

The White Gift Sunday program at Centenary Sunday school was as follows: Selections by the orchestra. Hymn, "The First Newell." Prayer, Rev. R. G. Fulton. "The Shepherd's Story"—Miss Katherine Shepherd. Chorus, "Christ was Once a Little Baby"—Primary department. Solo, Joan LeLacour—Primary department. Hymn, "Angels from the Realms of Glory."

Pageant, "Christmas and Missions" or "The Christmas Vision of the United Church of Canada." The United Church—Mrs. R. B. Irving.

Eleven confessions: Toronto, Jean Macmillan; British Columbia, Alice Henry; Newfoundland, Lillian Thomas; Maritimes, Constance Belyea; Montreal, Olga King; London, Audrey Bell; Bay of Quinte, Barbara Berry; Hamilton, Jean Austin; Manitoba, Margaret Macdonald; Saskatchewan, Ruth Lyle; Alberta, Doris Sippell. Eight Mission Fields led by 16 little girls.

Fields—China, Mary Harding; Korea, Jean Jenkins; Japan, Vivian Colpitts; Formosa, Violet Snelgrove; India, Muriel Kingston; Africa, Mabel Williams; British Guiana, Amy Evans; Trinidad, Mary Hinchcliffe. Sixteen little girls.

Ruth Horton, Patricia Parfitt, Marion Leonard, Elsie Roberts, Rosie McLaughlin, Dorothy Creighton, Dorothy Jenkins, Kathleen Parfitt, Alison Austin, Helen Little, Barbara Nagle, Mary Patchell, Margaret Williams, Clare Hodgson, Bertha Kingston, Nora Hill. White Gifts received by two little girls.

Offerings from visitors. Christmas Tree Processional and Building of the Tree. Hymn, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

Closing. W. Grant Smith, superintendent, presided.

At St. George's

In St. George's church Sunday school, West Saint John, yesterday afternoon the mission boxes were opened and contained \$161, the children's savings since Easter. A collection for "Save the Children Fund" was taken. Each member of the Sunday school is doing social service work, along lines of Christmas cheer.

Carleton United

In the Carleton United Church a white gift service was held yesterday afternoon. The Sunday school room was appropriately decorated. Miss M. Beattie, superintendent of the school, presided. The gifts included groceries and other provisions for Christmas boxes. The men's Bible class, of which Rev. F. T. Bertram is the teacher, gave a generous donation of money. At the morning service, Rev. James Dunlop of Central Baptist church was the preacher, and the choir sang special music.

West Side Kirk

The United Church (Kirk), West Saint John, held a white gift service in the Sunday school yesterday. Leonard Wilson, the superintendent, presided. At the morning service, Rev. McN. Matthews, preached on "The Messianic Hope" and in the evening his subject was "The Christmas Story." On Christmas morning a service will be held in the church at 11 o'clock.

Deaths

Benjamin H. Gallagher
MONCTON, Dec. 20.—Benjamin H. Gallagher, a well known employee of the Canadian National Railway here, passed away at his home, 102 Archibald street, Saturday evening. He had been in poor health for some years. On Friday and Saturday he was unable to attend to work. On Saturday afternoon he attended to his duties. On Saturday afternoon he took a long walk and in the evening, while resting, expired suddenly.

Mr. Gallagher was assistant accountant in the office of the superintendent of the C. N. R. here. He was 54 years of age. He is survived by his wife and five children, Patrick, Bernard, Daniel, Nora and Clara. Two brothers, Dr. P. J. of Winnipeg, and Dr. Justin, who is living in the United States, and one sister, Mrs. (Dr. R. H. McGrath, of Fredericton, also survive. The deceased was a son of Patrick Gallagher, a former well known hotel proprietor in this city, now living in Lincoln, Nebraska.

U. S. Participation In League Favored

The St. John Baptist Society held an open debate in their rooms yesterday afternoon. The question was: "Resolved, That the United States should enter the League of Nations." The affirmative was upheld by Edward Morrissey, John McDonnell, C. Mofford and the negative by Thomas Killen, sr., B. O'Brien and M. Furlong. A standing vote was taken to decide the winner and the meeting favored the affirmative. The debate was the best held this year and was enjoyed by a large number. J. T. Butler presided.

Birkenhead Is Told To Control His Tongue

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Blunt intimations have been given to Lord Birkenhead that unless he can control his vituperative language in the House of Lords he cannot hope to remain Secretary of State for India.

Even his friends in his own party have been scandalized by Lord Birkenhead's recent savage attacks upon Lord Danesfort, Oxford, Haldane and Arnold.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Paul K. Blackiston, negro butler at the White House until a short time ago, has been arrested, charged with participation in an attempted \$6,000 payroll robbery.

The Store of Many Gifts



Santa Claus is coming and for lots of his little friends there are wonderful toys that will last almost until Santa can get around next year with a new supply. Just come and see the loads and loads of things there are here to make small boys and girls happy.

Wheel Barrows, \$1.10 to \$1.25. Coaster Cars, \$3.25 to \$5.50. Sammie Cars, \$2. Wee Iron Car, \$3.75. Child's Chair, \$2.95 up. Croquet Sets, \$4 to \$7.25. Children's Desks, \$4 to \$16.50. Doll's Furniture, 60c and 75c.

Chairs and Double Rocker. Toy Pianos, \$3.25. Red Riders, \$3.75 and \$7. Doll's Swing, \$5c and 55c. Baby's Swing, \$1.75. Baby's Swing and Stand, \$5.50. Swing Stands, 60c. Toy Sets, Sea Grass, \$1.85. Toy Tea Wagons, \$3.50. Velocipedes, \$6 to \$21.75.

DOLL'S BED
With mattress and pillows that any little mother will want for her doll. \$2.65 and \$4.75.

BLACKBOARDS
What fun it is to play school and use real chalk. Price \$3.50 to \$5.25.

DOLL'S CARRIAGE
Give any little girl a carriage for her doll, she will adore it. \$2.35 to \$12.75.

Kindergarten Sets
Table and chairs large enough to entertain small friends at tea. Brown and Red, \$3.25. White enamel, \$4.50. Porcelain top, \$12.25 and \$13.50. (Furniture store, Market square.)

BOYS RED RIDERS
Strong and well made. They afford lots of pleasure for the little man. Price \$5.75 and \$7.

VELOCIPEDES
Boys and girls will get all the fun from a velocipede that older children get from bicycles. \$6 to \$21.75.

EXPRESS WAGONS
Strongly constructed. Big enough to hold parcels and the boy too.

SHOO-FLY HORSES
A strong pair of wooden horses that can go very fast. \$3, \$3.25 and \$9.

TOYS

TOYLAND is bubbling over with wonderful gifts to make all little folks happy on the day of days. Everything that young people want can surely be found here, so many I couldn't name half, but here are a few and there are heaps of other things you will have to come in and see.

A list that will make any boy happy. The most thrilling things: Electrical Toys, Mechanical Toys, Tractors, Trolley Cars, Steam Boats, Automobiles, Motor Cars, Railroads, Engines, Trucks, Cars, Signals, everything complete. Meccanos, Sport Goods, Base Ball, Bats, Mitts and Christmas Tree Ornaments, Stockings and many other amusing things. (Toyland, Germain street entrance.)

Any Boy Would Be Happy With One of These Overcoats
For the Bigger Boy, 10 to 17 Years. Boy's Chinchilla Overcoat, extraordinary value, \$10. Full back, half belted, convertible storm collar, good fitting. For the Little Chap 2-12 Years to 9 Years. Boy's Blue Chinchilla—Red lined topcoat the most popular coat of the season. Comfortable, good fitting and dressy. (Men's Clothing, 2nd floor.)

Gift Neckwear For Men and Boys, The Most Popular Gift of All
THREE BIG VALUES 50c, 60c, 80c. Each in a Gift Box. These are all silk or silk and wool. Latest designs and good colors. Also a large assortment of Swiss Knitted Cravats in beautiful color effects and various designs—besides many other silk ties in diagonal stripes and other popular designs in all the leading colors. Price \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 and up to \$3 each.

Of Special Interest
A new arrival of Voiles and dainty Lingerie Materials has just been opened in our Wash Goods Dept. Many have been awaiting this special Christmas showing. (Wash Goods Dept., Ground floor.) New Rayon Silk Broadcloth in stripes and checks, 80c yard. New Dainty Lingerie Cloths in pretty floral designs, 55c yard. New Beaded Spot Voiles in all the new dainty colorings suitable for children's dresses. Fast colors. 65c yard. (Wash Goods Dept., ground floor.)

Give Him Handkerchiefs
He can never have too many, and men like the latest styles. Pure Linen Hemstitched, 1/4 and 1/2 in. hems. Gift boxes for 3, 6 or 12 Handkerchiefs. Price 25c to 50c each. Initialed and Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs—1/4 or 1/2 in. hem. Gift boxes provided. Price 50c, 65c, 75c each. Initialed Linen—3 in a gift box. Price \$1.25 a box. White Silk Handkerchiefs—Hemstitched. Prices 45c to \$1. Initialed Silk Handkerchiefs—Hemstitched, plain or twilled. Price 75c and \$1.15. Pongee Silk Handkerchiefs with colored drawn threads. Price 80c and 60c. Colored Silk Hemstitched or Plain Hem in the popular bright colors; both plain and figured designs. Price 50c to \$2.50.

Home Gifts
That may be enjoyed by all members of the family. Beautiful Brass Flower Bowls in odd shape and pretty designs. Attractive Candlesticks of brass in unique designs. They make a charming gift. Brass Door Knockers—These are especially nice, in apartment houses at the entrance of your own suite. Desk Sets of Brass always a useful gift and a very pretty desk setting. Brass Dinner Gongs—Trivets, Brass Trays, Coal Hods and Brass Vases in quaint designs. Mahogany Clocks with Normandy and Westminster Chimes. Mahogany Candlesticks in tulip and many other designs; also colored and decorated candles to harmonize with any color scheme. English Pottery in Vases, Candlesticks, Tea Pots, Sugar and Cream Sets, Pitchers and many other pieces in quaint designs.

Blankets
A genuine Home Gift and one that the Homekeeper will appreciate. An extra blanket can always be used particularly if it is a beautiful soft lofty wool. **Kenwood Blankets** In pretty plaid brown, blue and rose or in plain colors; Rose, apricot, blue and fawn with washable satin bindings. Price \$9.75 each. **Lamps for Cheerful Interiors** The Bridge Lamp, Table Lamp, Floor Lamp and Boudoir Lamp. Just think of the many Lamps we need in our home. They bring so much cheer and home like atmosphere. Here you will find an attractive assortment. (Art Dept., Germain street entrance.)

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