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The Message Of Christmas

By the Rev. W. Constantine Perry,
Chatham, Ontario

As the gracious and hallowed season of Christmas approaches, I accept it as a pleasure at the request of the Editor of the Dawn of Tomorrow, to send you its readers, this brief Christmas message. I doubt if there has ever been a time in the history of the world when the application of the Christmas message justifies its adoption as it does now.

It is regrettable that the Christmas of 1936 will again appear finding the world in a more critical and fearful state than it was a year ago, due to the continued economic condition, plus the anxiety and fear of an impending world war. In a recent broadcast of mine, I spoke on the subject—"Are Christians justified in Praying for Universal Peace?" Or are they justified in expecting from God who is the One to whom prayers are made, an answer in the affirmative. I contended that while we all would like to have this universal peace, such an experience will never be the outcome until the causes of war are destroyed. "Wars," I said, "are effects of causes, and if the causes are not rooted out, the effect will forever remain. The message of Christmas is that of 'peace and good-will to all men' which will eventually extend to 'an universal brotherhood' without which, there can be no universal peace.

Prior to the birth of our Lord two thousand years ago the world experienced a most complex situation as it is now experiencing. "That whole period was an hour and power of darkness" said Archbishop Trench. "We will wait," said Plato, in words almost prophetic "till one shall come, he being a god or an inspired man, to teach us in holy things and take the darkness from our eyes." Men were blighty feeling out into the darkness for some solution to solve the grave problems with which they were faced. Hence it was like a bolt from the blue sky bringing unprecedented joy when announcement was made to the shep-



herds of Bethlehem, "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people, for unto to you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord," with the musical accompaniment of the heavenly choir—"Glory to God in highest and on earth, Peace, good-will to all men."

This peace which characterises the anthem of the heavenly host, will not

be realized now universally but in the experience of the individual echoed in the following words—"Peace like a river is flooding my soul, Since Christ my Saviour maketh me whole."

If these causes of war are not removed, I am afraid that the universal peace for which so many are praying will never come till the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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ATLANTA GIRL GETS WELFARE POSITION

Atlanta, Ga., December — Miss Maudlea Norris, 1936 graduate of the Atlanta School of Social Work and well-known member of Atlanta's younger social and civic group, has been appointed visitor for the Child Welfare Association of Fulton and De Kalb counties. Miss Norris is the daughter of Mrs. N. T. Norris, who for a number of years was secretary of the First Congregational church of this city. She received the appointment on the recommendation of Forrester B. Washington, director of the Atlanta School of Social Work and on the basis of her training for and experience in the field of social work.

Killers Given Life Sentences

Detroit, Mich.—Five member of the infamous Black Legion, a white organization, who slew Silas Coleman for a thrill, got life sentences from Judge Zile of Recorder's Court on Friday. Judge Zile commenting on the case, said: "It is hard to understand why you kill this man, who never had done anything to you and whom you did not even know."

While nations are talking and preparing for the outbreak of war, let us endeavour to remove from our individual hearts everything that would mar our own peace and happiness and the peace and happiness of others by the practice of the following bit of history. In 1428 during the war of the Roses, while Orleans was under seige, the English lords, history tells us, requested the French commanders to suspend hostilities, and let the usual celebration of Christmas Eve take place. This was agreed upon, filling the air with the song of the minstrel and the music of the trumpets, instead of the discordant note of battle.

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EDITORIAL

THE KING HAS GONE — GOD SAVE THE KING

Our beloved Edward, King of England has made his choice between love and royal pomp and for the present has gone into seclusion. He would rather live as you and I and marry the one who seemingly all these years he has scoured the countries looking for. While some would condemn him for turning his back on the throne. They must respect and honor him as a man who has courage to follow his convictions.

The unprecedented abdication of King Edward is bound to have an affect on the Empire's future. I think as others, that under any other regime the English Crown will not be able to hold as successfully the colonies under its allegiance for long. Particularly, we must be interested in the fate of the colored people of the British Empire—especially in the case of the West Indies.

The probability again looms, that they might be ceded to America in exchange for War debts. United States has always had its eye on Bermuda and Jamaica as strategic points that should be in American hands—as naval bases, rather than under a foreign power. Particularly is this essential in view of the current Pan American Peace Conference and President Roosevelt's aim to keep war out of the Western Hemisphere.

The question of American assimilation of the West Indies is a very serious one and people in the both United States and in the Tropical Zone are divided in opinion as to whether such a move would be for the benefit or detriment of the people of those Colonies. America hitherto has not been too successful in her attempts at colonization—the histories of Cuba, Haiti, Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands are not altogether complimentary.

Edward, the Duke of Windsor, the new title bestowed on him, has visited among the humblest of homes during his reign as Prince of Wales and King of England and has won the heart of the people, and will be welcome wherever he chooses to go. To the Queen Mother Mary, we feel for her in her disappointment, having built so much on her son. Along with here other sadness we do, as every other mother, sympathize with her.

However, we feel that in time the wound will heal as King George VI carries on in his father's footsteps, having contentment of a good wife and happy family and respect of the Empire. Let us wish for Edward, Duke of Windsor, happiness in his new sphere of life.

CHRISTMAS NOW AND THEN

A festival of the Christian Church, observed annually on Dec. 25th, in memory of the Birth of Christ, and celebrated by a particularly fitting Church Service.

Christmas carols, songs, descriptive of the birth of the Promised Child. (The Babe of Bethlehem), and incidents connected with it, are sung specially at Christmas.

The time when the festival was first observed is shrouded in mystery, but reference to this festival or Holy Day was known to be made back in the 3rd century by Clement of Alexandria; in the latter part of the 4th century Chrysostom a celebrated Greek father of the Church, born in Antioch about A.D. 344, speaks of it as of great antiquity. At one time a diversity of days were observed by different communions, but in the 4th century the Western Church fixed the date as Dec. 25th, yet with on certain knowledge of the actual day of Christ's birth. The Eastern Church generally favored the sixth of January, but they gradually adopted the same date.

Many believe that festivals already held about this time, the Roman festival Brumalia—when it was believed the sun to be born anew—have had a strong bearing on the question, however in the Roman Catholic, Greek, Anglican, Lutheran and all Protestant Churches, special religious services are held for Christmas Day.

A Roman Catholic Priest may celebrate three masses on Christmas Day. Christendom through the world makes itself felt by its spiritual fervor its service, and devotion to others on this Holy Day.

Our modern method of feasting sporting and wordly endeavor—do not strike the high note that so solemn and holy a day should vibrate. Unto us a Son is born, unto us a Child is given—His name shall be called Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins. Not only does this day portray the condescension of Jesus to be born of a woman; but Heaven itself bowed to earth and its choir sang the first Glory Song. Instead of turning this sacred day into a Feast Day—a holiday—it is the business of the Church to keep the feast a Holy Day unto the Lord.

Without the birth of Jesus, there would be no God-man, so Mediator, no Sacrificial Lamb, no Vicarious Death, no Redemption, no Regeneration, no Salvation, no Intercession, no hope of Heaven but a fearful looking for Judgment to come.

All hail the spirit of Christmas time, with its hearty co-operation of goodwill and cheer to all mankind.

Respectfully,
REV. T. H. JACKSON

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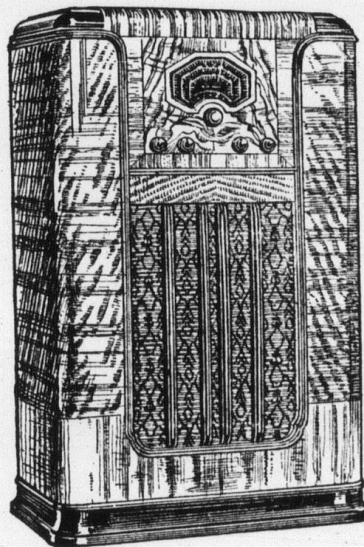


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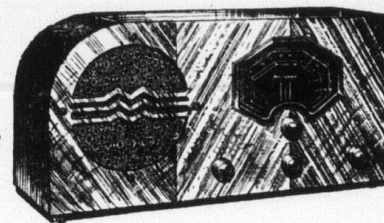
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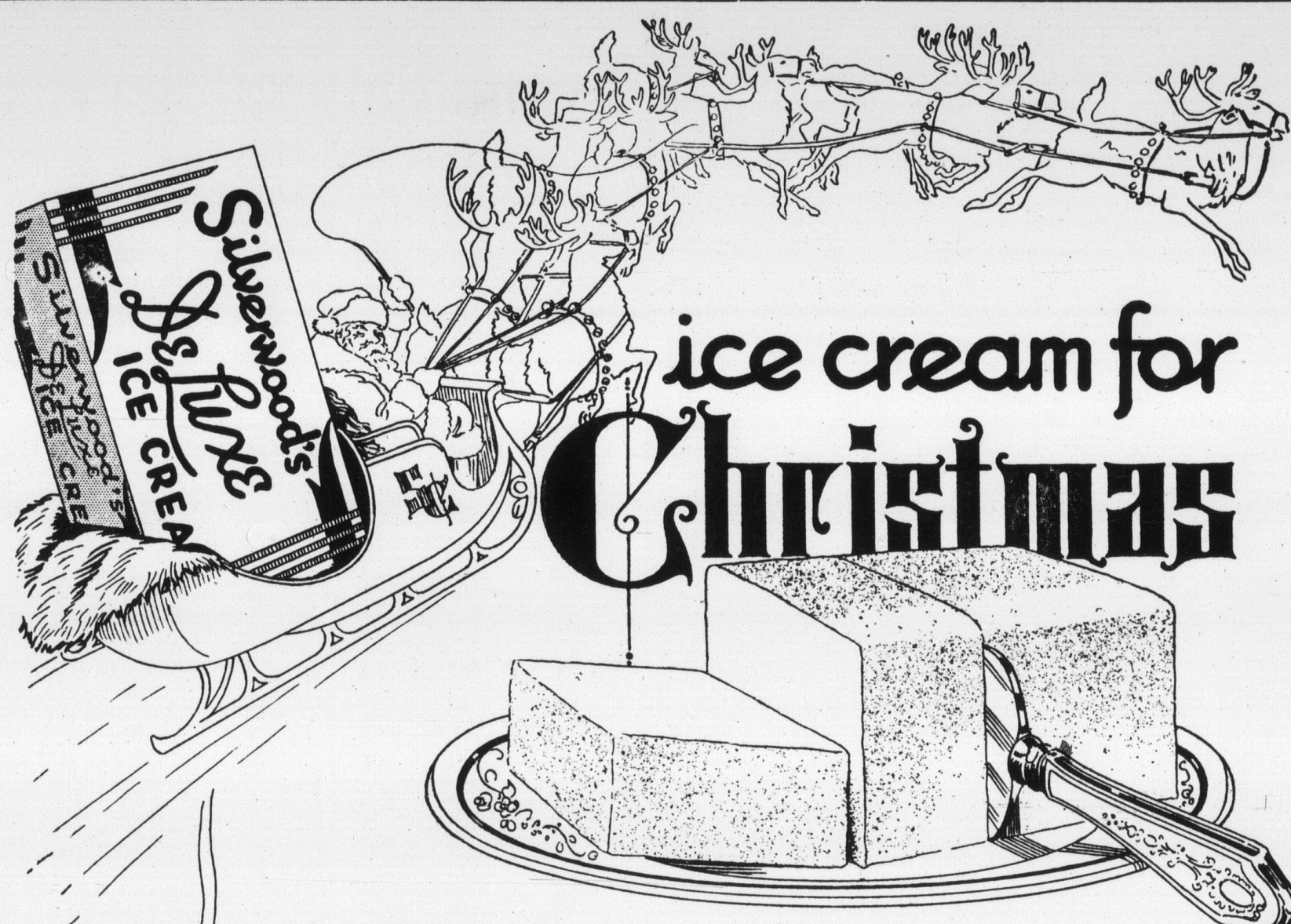
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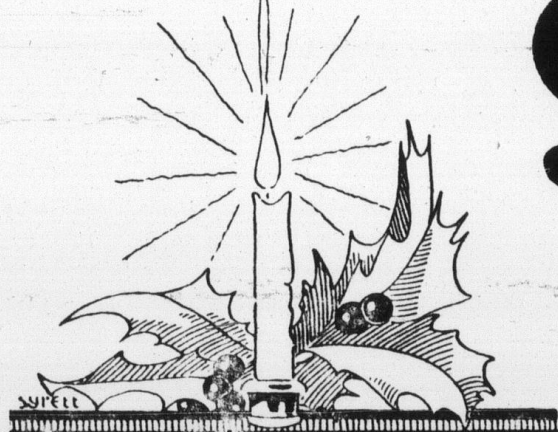
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We are sorry to report that Mr. F. Harris of Trafalgar St. is critically ill, very slight improvements have been shown.

A re-organization of the B.M.E. choir has been made with Mrs. L. Jones, choirmaster and pianist; Mrs. Jenkins, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. H. Turner was the guest of Miss E. Jenkins over the week-end.

A delightful card party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Anderson on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wilson, Jr., Mr. Logan McCurtis, Mr. L. Miller of

Brantford spent a delightful evening visiting friends on Tuesday.

Mr. J. Moxley of this city has accepted a position in Toronto on the C.P.R. Co.

Mr. K. Moxley and W. Smith were the guests of friends while visiting in Toronto over the week-end.

CHRISTMAS NEARING

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 With a bright and happy ring.
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 Wealthy laird and weary wight,
 In the singing of the season
 Deem it pleasure to unite;
 Nor dare one say to another:
 "This sweet song is wholly mine!"
 Ranks are largely all forgotten
 When we come to Christmas Time.
 What a unifying factor
 Is that Child's far-reaching birth,
 For it sets all Christians singing,
 Near and far o'er all the earth!

Songs about the Babe called Jesus,
 To the world a new-born King,
 The unnamed, yet famous shepherds
 Heard the holy angels sing,
 As their fleecy flocks they guarded
 In the open fields at night,
 When the moon, in charming splendor,
 Shed on them her mellow light,
 And the stars were beaming brightly
 In the arches of the sky,
 To those yeomen, doing duty,
 Heaven's songsters deigned to fly,
 With their songs of matchless beauty
 To those watchers, waiting long
 For the birth that then inspired
 Earth to an undying song.

Thus the world was started singing
 In that cherished night of old,
 When, in song, the humble shepherds
 Of the new-born Babe was told.
 Then they trudged off to the stable,
 By some inward guiding led,
 Where they found the world's Messiah,
 In His lowly manger bed.
 There they paid Him fitting homage,
 Being first the King to own,
 Who, though born in that lone stable,
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Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Jr., Miss Muriel Johnson and Mr. Williams all of Brantford visited friends and relatives in this city on Sunday.

Messrs. Alvin and George McKurdy of Amerstburg and Messrs. O. Smith G. Harris of Detroit were the guests

of Mr. and Mrs. McKurdy of this city over the week-end.

Madame Jones of Toronto was the guest soloist of Central Baptist church for all services on Sunday, Dec. 13th.

Mrs. King and Mrs. Clayborne of Marquette, daughter of Mrs. Irons of

this city were guests in Detroit during the past week.

Miss Edith Moxley is confined to her bed on Chesley Ave. Her condition is reported fair.

The Jubilee Singers entertained at Knox United Church on Monday evening to a well filled house.

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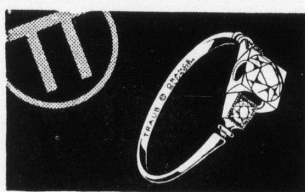
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MISS BLACK AND THE LION

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By Miss Helena James

(Continued from November Issue)

(The Story thus far)

Miss Black, at trim young woman
lives in the wealthy section, and in
one of the nicest homes of the city, in
the neighborhood of St. Judas Church.
Miss Black, unlike many of her
wealthy neighbors is not a member
of the church and on Sunday morning
she takes her little dog Ming for a
walk.

Before she goes very far, she meets
Mrs. Simple, wife of Judge Simple,
who thinks that she may neglect going
to Church to go walking for her figure
because Judge Simple gives a yearly
subscription of \$1000 to the church.

Mrs. Simple whose only reason for
joining the church is because of "the
respectably" feeling it gives her is
quite a gossip. Although Miss Black
does not care for the way Mrs. Simple
talks about everyone she says very
little, and wonders about the people
who are allowed to join the church.

CONCLUSION

"I don't remember the day when the
place was ever tenanted," replied Miss
Black.

"You must have been about six year
of age when that house was closed, my
dear. Something sinister about that
place which has only housed queer
tenants. The last person who lived
there was found lead-mauled, bruised
and crushed, and no clue ever found.
He was a recluse, you know."

"That sounds like the Rue Morgue
Murder case. Have you learnt the
name of the present tenant, Mrs.
Simple?"

"Mr. Madman, and he lives in that
haunted place with an old manservant
and his English bull dog, Vicious. His
manservant told my maid, both his
parent died in an insane asylum when
he was thirteen year old, and at
twenty-one a Viennese surgeon removed
a tumour from his brain."

"That is exceedingly sad, Mrs.
Simple, no wonder he is queer."

"Although he cannot boast of a cul-
tural background, nevertheless he has
amassed great wealth. I learned from
a reliable source that he is the big
boss behind the wine racket."

"How interesting! I must hurry
home, Mrs. Simple. Ming and I have
immensely enjoyed the time spent in
your company. Haven't you, Ming?
Well say so."

"Yap, yap, yap," barked Ming.

As a matter of fact Miss Black had
been out much longer that was her
custom. Meanwhile, three of her dom-
estic employees (her own term for
servants) found time to make her the
subject of discussion.

Said the Greek houseman "What a
pity madame no go to church. She no
Christian, she heathen. I pray God
every night, for Christ's sake, make
madame Christian that she no go to
hell."

Asked the Japanese butler, "What
say you she is then? She live good,
she do good to you, me, everybody, and
you say she no Christian lady, why?"

Then spoke Mary the Irish cook,
"Mike, is it possible I understand you
clearly? To kill, steal, covet and rape

other people's properties, lie and go
to church you are Christian and go to
heaven, but to love, in fact to do to the
other fellow as you would like him do
to you, but fail to become a member of
a church, you are a condemned heath-
en whom God will throw into a furnace
with a pitch fork to torment? Some-
thing is either wrong with you or your
philosophy, Mike."

"Yes, you no go to church you no
Christian, I say" was Mike's reaffirma-
tion.

"Ah Mike, laughed Fraulein, I at-
tended madame since her birth, and
have watched her development into
lovely womanhood, and I tell you if the
devil is going to pitchfork my little
mistress, he will have to pitchfork me
too."

"And Fraulein, said Ioto, "If you
once get there you will be bossing the
devil himself, and using his pitch-
fork on him."

"By the way," said Fraulein, "last
night I had a very vivid dream which
has deeply affected me in some
strange way. I found myself in hell."
"How terrible, Fraulein" said Mike.
"You must had bad thoughts before
sleep, eh?"

"It was a hell entirely unlike that of
your imagination, Mike, and oh, so
much more awful. There was a gate
of admission, but no means of exit.
As I stood at an inner gate far from
the entrance, the gate keeper, who was
a leper with mouth swollen to bursting
point, said to some one on the other
side of the fence, "She wants to go."
I looked over and saw the man to
whom he spoke sitting on a dais. The
left hand was crossed and the right
hand supporter his chin while the
elbow rest on the knee. The togo
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 The tragic symbol of a shadowed race,
 An ivory jar, for Christ the new-born King,
 With prized secretion of the tropic palm,
 A precious ointment used as healing balm
 For sores, as bitter myrrh to lave the dead.
 He laid his ominous gift upon the straw,
 Glimpsed Mary's clouded eyes, and bent his head
 In lowly reverence, then rose and saw
 The sleeping Jesus smile, oblivious to all
 The treasured tokens of the great and wise.
 Balthazar turned and left the door;
 The skies
 Had lost their stars; the snow began to fall;
 A chill north-wind nudged at his tight-drawn cloak;
 He swung into his camel's-seat,
 Swearing escape from Rome's imperial yoke;
 Holding light reins within his dusky hands,
 Bent his lone way toward Abyssinian lands.

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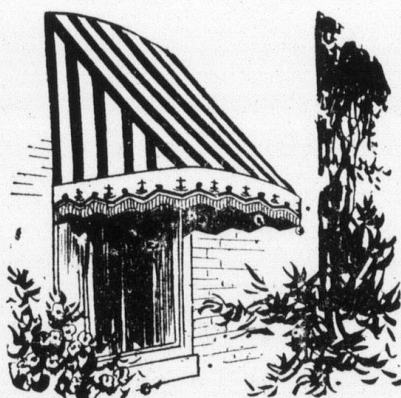
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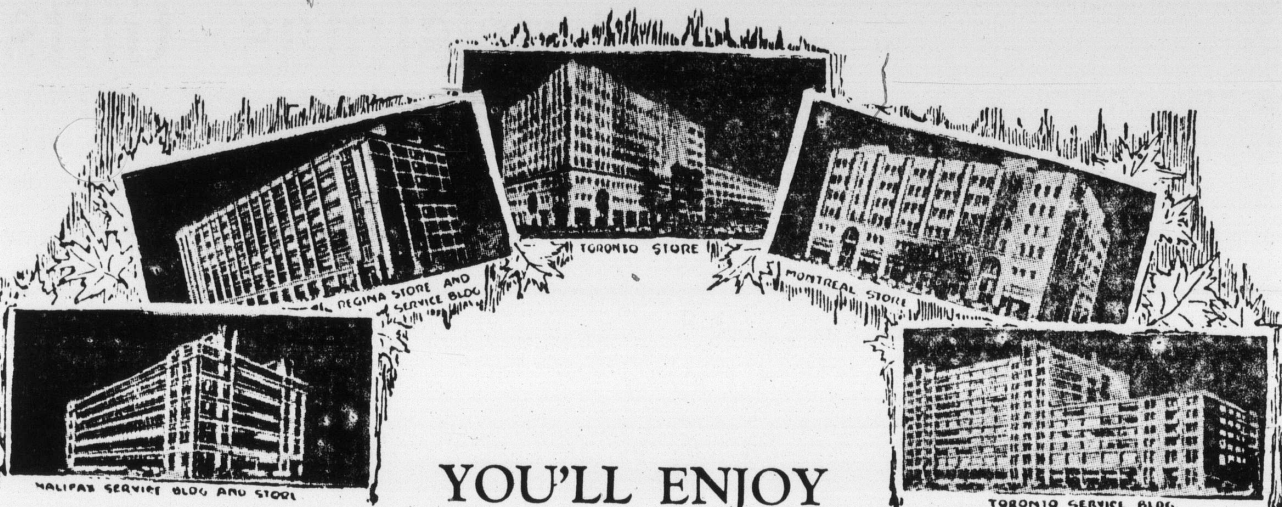
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