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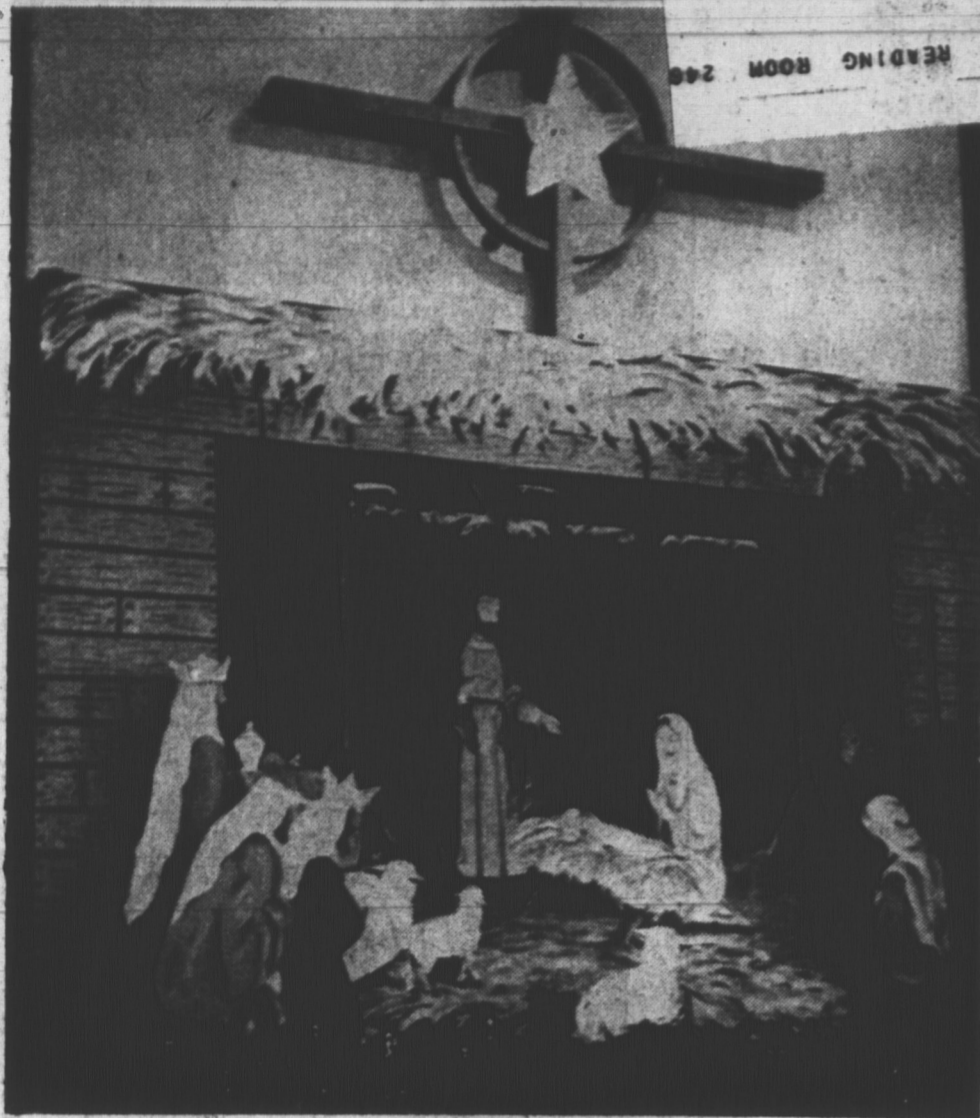
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PEACE ON EARTH

The ageless story of the humble birth of Jesus Christ is simply told in this nativity scene at Park Royal United

Church in Parkdale. For night unto 2,000 years, the story of the King of Kings has inspired Christians throughout the world to strive for "peace on

earth and good will toward men." At this time the management and staff of The Guardian wish all its readers a most joyous Christmas.

India Capital's Homeless Refuse Offers Of Shelter

By ADRIENNE FARRELL
NEW DELHI (Reuters)—As this part of India shivered in a Christmas cold snap, police Thursday night rounded up hundreds of homeless vagrants sleeping in the streets — and whisked them off to communal shelters.

The city, the homeless told him the hostels were full of lice and bugs. "You may have bed bugs even here in your blanket," the minister told one man bedded down at the curb side. "Yes," came the answer. "But at least they are my own bugs." The minister announced he would prohibit people sleeping out during winter. But the statesman's newspaper said

Thursday the administration did not feel it could legally force people indoors.

Those who refused to accompany police Thursday night were left lying in the streets — cold but free.

Botwood, Nfld. Triplets Born

BOTWOOD, Nfld. (CP)—Mrs. Llewellyn Collins of Lewisport, Nfld., gave birth to triplets—two boys and a girl—at the Botwood Cottage Hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins have three other children. A hospital spokesman said it was the first set of triplets born at the hospital since it was opened in 1946.

The spokesman said Thursday mother and children were doing well.

Sudden Snow Slows Cars In Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—A sudden snowstorm that nobody expected turned the Vancouver area white Thursday—and produced a series of traffic snarls so severe police couldn't cope with them.

At the height of the morning rush hour, police described traffic conditions as chaotic and said there was a general tieup across the city.

The snow began to disappear as temperatures climbed into the 40s and light rain appeared in some areas.

Up to five inches of snow fell, producing traffic jams that reached four miles on some major roads, including approaches to the always-busy Lions Gate Bridge, were closed for a time.

Pope Paul Calls For 'True Peace'

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Paul called Thursday for peace in Viet Nam, saying "true peace is to be found in the alliance of love."

"No one ought to force his neighbor and today we are all neighbors to resort to armed defence," he said in his Christmas message to the world.

"And no one ought to shirk his duty and sincere negotiations to restore order and friendship."

Thus, without mentioning Viet Nam by name, the Pope put the Roman Catholic Church, with its half billion members, behind ever effort that could lead to a peaceful settlement.

At one point, appealing to both sides in the war, he pleaded: "Check the way things are going. It is possible that you are on the wrong track. Stop and think. True wisdom is to be found in peace."

had proclaimed a Christmas ceasefire in South Viet Nam.

Pope Paul returned to the theme of peaceful negotiations in his Christmas message. Vatican sources said the war and the misery in Viet Nam weighed heavily upon the Pope and he feared it might lead to a greater conflict.

"And so now," the Pope said, "at this very moment, we are making a new plea for peace—and this, not simply because peace is a good thing in itself, but also because it is a good which is in such danger today."

"Fresh schemes, which the tragic experiences of the last war had given rise to, are now joined by old and deep-rooted nationalistic tendencies, along with newer ideologies of subversion and domination."

"Arms, ever more powerful and dreadful, become, as it were, the only guarantee of treacherous and precarious peace, to the detriment of a sense of justice and human brotherhood among peoples."

"Peace is, in fact, the first and chief good of any society. It is based on justice, freedom and order; it opens the way to every other value in human life."

Slide Dead Are Sought

LIMA (AP)—Rescue parties searched the ruins of three villages high in the Peruvian Andes Thursday for possible additional victims of a late spring landslide.

An official count put the number of dead at 15, but there were unofficial estimates that as many as 60 died in the slide, which crushed the tiny villages of Acopara, Yurayacu and Olayan before dawn Wednesday. Reports from the area said heavy rain caused a mountain lagoon to overflow and trigger the slide, 12,000 feet above sea level.

Pressure Said Building For Peace In Viet Nam

WASHINGTON (AP)—The U.S. government faces a worldwide buildup of pressure in the next two days to try to convert the prospective Christmas truce in Viet Nam into a permanent ceasefire and a decisive step toward peace talks.

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Officials expect the first 12 hours will probably hold, since the Communists themselves offered the 12-hour halt in hostilities the night before Christmas. The prospects for the next 24 hours are not clear but U.S. officials hope guerrilla forces will cooperate.

After that, according to the present outlook, the war would be resumed in full violence.

Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.), who recently conferred with President Johnson and State Secretary Dean Rusk, said he would like to see the United States keep a peace offensive going with an offer to extend the ceasefire to include the Vietnamese new year Jan. 21.

If Mansfield was putting out an administration feeler on this, there was no evidence of it among available officials who are broadly pessimistic about the immediate prospects for ending the Vietnamese war.

There is no doubt that the aim of developing public pressures and secret diplomacy is to seek with almost frantic haste to convert the Christmas lull into a beginning of a real peace settlement in Viet Nam.

Italian Foreign Minister Amintore Fanfani, president of the UN General Assembly and an intermediary in what may be a continuing U.S.-North Viet Nam peace probe, conferred with Rusk for three hours Wednesday. U.S. and Italian informants would say only that the Fanfani channel between Hanoi and Washington "is still open."

PROMPTS SPECULATION This prompted speculation that Fanfani has received a reply from North Viet Nam's leaders to inquiries he made on behalf of Rusk earlier this month for a clarification of reported Communist terms for opening negotiations.

High state department officials describe the North Vietnamese leaders as adamant in their insistence on U.S. acceptance of Communist terms for a settlement.

From the U.S. point of view, this kind of discouragement about arriving at a compromise formula even for opening peace talks has taken much of the optimism out of the projected holiday pause in hostilities.

Officials said the United States is willing to discuss Communist terms for a settlement, that it is prepared to arrange a ceasefire before or after negotiations begin, and that withdrawal of U.S. forces from Viet Nam as part of a peace agreement would present no problem.

HOLD VAST AREAS The situation on the ground in Viet Nam is a source of worry here. Communist forces hold large areas and Viet Cong terrorists are intermingled with the civilian population even in Saigon itself.

How a ceasefire could be arranged under those conditions with any reliability, what would happen to the Communist-held areas, how North Vietnamese troops could be moved out of South Viet Nam—all those are issues which administration strategists are concerned about in the face of the growing pressure for a ceasefire which would, if it worked, freeze the present relationship of forces.

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SANTA CLAUS IS BEAUTIFUL

OSLO (Reuters)—Santa Claus in Norway this year is a beautiful girl named Birgit Berg Larsen. Every day she answers about 150 letters from children all over the world.

The letters are addressed to The Milky Way, The North Pole, or The Snowball House. But the post office channels them to the Oslo Travel Association, where Miss Berg Larsen operates the switchboard.

Most of this year's more than 4,000 letters to date have come from Japan and Britain. Miss Berg Larsen attributes the big British share to a radio speech by the late King George VI in which he explained the annual Christmas tree in London's Trafalgar Square was a gift from Oslo, Norway.

This gave many English children the idea Santa Claus lived in Norway and started a tradition.

Norway, however, has no monopoly of such letters. Almost an equal number find their way to Sweden.

There, Stockholm housewives share the task of answering them with Christmas cards, tokens presents and leaflets on how the Swedes spend Christmas. Handicraft school supply many of the gifts.

By EDWIN Q. WHITE
SAGGON (AP)—United States and South Vietnamese forces are silencing their guns and grounding their planes tonight for a tentative Christmas truce hailed in some quarters as a possible step toward peace negotiations.

But the fighting men are keeping their powder dry. All units are under orders to shoot only in self-defence during

Royal Family At Windsor

WINDSOR, England (Reuters)—The Royal family moved to Windsor Castle Thursday for the Christmas round of turkey dinners and plum puddings interspersed with spells of walking, riding and shooting in the castle parklands.

The Queen and Prince Philip drove to the castle with their four children, Prince Charles, Prince Andrew, Prince Edward and Princess Anne.

Expected to join them shortly are the Queen Mother with Princess Margaret and her husband Lord Snowdon and their two young children.

Also coming are the families of the Queen's cousins, the Duke of Kent and Princess Alexandra.

The Royal family is expected back in residence at Buckingham Palace by the end of January.

Mr. Thompson

OTTAWA (CP)—People must place the Prince of Peace in control of their lives. Social Credit Leader Robert Thompson said Thursday in his annual Christmas message.

"To the members of our armed forces and those in other services abroad, a special message is due. To all of them, and to all here at home, and particularly the boys and girls, I wish a happy Christmas."

"Peace is not just an idea. It has become increasingly evident that men must conform to his pattern of living if peace is ever to be a reality."

"Our deepest wish for Canada and Canadians is that they find a satisfying role in creating a peaceful and God-directed world."

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City Child Returning Home With Patch Over Her Heart

HALIFAX (CP)—A six-year-old Charlottetown girl left the Children's Hospital here for home Thursday with a favorite doll in her arms and a patch over her heart.

Blonde Wendy Sherren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sherren, was going home for Christmas and a normal life after doctors here sewed up a tiny hole in her heart in a five-hour operation three weeks ago.

Surgeons at the hospital, who have performed 40 similar operations since the first a year ago, say Wendy is fine now and will require no further treatment.

Her Christmas list? Wendy's mother says dolls and dishes have been on her mind for some time.

Federal Surplus Shows Increase

OTTAWA (CP)—The federal government ran up a surplus of \$18,700,000 in the first fiscal year, compared with a \$40,800,000 surplus a year ago.

The finance department said Thursday revenue in April-November totalled \$5,027,800,000 and expenditures were \$4,509,100,000.

This compared with revenue of \$4,696,500,000 and expenditures of \$4,205,700,000 in the corresponding period last year.

The budgetary surplus in November dropped to \$18,700,000 from \$39,900,000 in the same month last year.

GESTURE TO CHRISTIAN PILGRIMS

Gates Between Israel-Jordan Due To Be Flung Open Today

By ARYE WALLENSTEIN
JERUSALEM (Reuters)—The gates between Jordan and Israel will be flung open today, Christmas eve, for thousands of Christian pilgrims on their way to celebrate the festival at the birthplace of Christ, Bethlehem in Judea.

Both Jordan and Israel have made it a tradition to shelve for a day their hostility and help the Christian pilgrims.

Most of those who will cross the lines of the divided city will be Christian Arabs living in Israel. For them Christmas has become a festival of reunion with their kin across the border, to whom they have been separated since the Palestine war of 1948.

This year a record number have secured permits to cross. Altogether some 8,000 permits have been granted and 5,000 pilgrims are expected to cross

the lines today. The remainder will do so Jan. 7 and Jan. 18, when Christmas will be celebrated by the Orthodox and Armenian churches respectively.

GET THREE DAYS Instead of the day or two they had been allowed to spend in Jordan in previous years, the Arab pilgrims this year will have a three-day pass. Each is entitled to take across the border four dinars (\$12) instead of one as in previous years.

Among pilgrims from distant lands, there will be a large number of children this year.

More than 1,000 British school children will be in the Holy Land for Christmas as the highlight of their educational Mediterranean cruise.

Another organized group of children, about 250 choir boys, has come from France.

The main celebrations will be in Bethlehem, Jordan, where services begin this afternoon.

The Roman Catholic archbishop, Albert Gori, holder of the crusaders' title of Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, will lead the procession into Bethlehem. He will be the celebrant at a pontifical midnight mass in the Church of the Nativity, standing on the traditional site of the manger.

On the Israeli-side of the Holy Land, the main celebrations will be in Nazareth, where Christ lived.

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