## PERSONALS

Home for Christmas is Miss Norma Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Johnsen, 600 Fourth Avenue East. She arrived Sunday by plane from Vancouver and leaves December 29.

Miss Julie McKay, daughter of Captain and Mrs. Norman McKay, 236 Seventh Avenue East, arrived home last week to spend the holiday season with her parents. Miss McKay is taking a business course at Sprott-Shaw school, Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lundquist and their children Greg, Geof and Susie, of Seattle, arrived Tuesday by Canadian Pacific Airlines plane to spend Christmas and New Year's with Mrs. Lundquist's parents and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Balagno, 325 Fifth Avenue West.

Kjell Rolandsen of Namsos, Norway, arrived in the city Sunday night by train to spend the Christmas holidays with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Johnsen, 600 Fourth Avenue East. Mr. Rolandsen is taking a six-month course in jet flying with the Norwegian Air Force at Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

Home for Christmas and New Year's are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lavigne and children Murray and Kim of Abbotsford. Making the trip by car they are guests of Mrs. Lavigne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Murray, 701 Fifth Avenue East, and leave after the holiday season.

GREETINGS

To one and all, best wishes for happy holidays.

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# Christmas Sermon

By REV. JOHN GOERTZ
Pastor of Port Edward Gospel Chapel

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11). This is great news!

It was first proclaimed to the humble shepherds on the Judaean hills that first Christmas, yet it comes to us nearly two thousand years later with equal joy. A Saviour has been born!

Obviously, the world was in need of a Saviour, else God would not have sent Jesus to earth. God's Word tells us that we are "dead in trespasses and in sins," far removed from God, and unable to save ourselves.

We need only to look at the world around us and into our own lives to realize that this statement is true. Much of our Christmas frolic is further evidence of this fact. We need a Saviour.

In response to that need God sent a Saviour to this world. Though born of a humble virgin, He was none other than God's eternal Son, Jesus Christ. Do we appreciate the impact of this truth? Deity veiled itself with humanity. God became man. Jesus Christ became our Saviour when He willingly took our sins upon Himself (though He Himself was sinless) and was put to death for them on the cross. Christ bore the punishment we deserved, and by so doing, bridged the gulf that separated God from man. Small wonder then that the shepherds were overjoyed when the Angel announced, "Unto you is born this day a Saviour."

But the glad response of the shepherds did not reflect the response of the world in general. Though all heaven rejoiced, the keeper of Bethlehem's inn had no room for the Christ Child. His rejection of the Baby exposes the attitude of this world which, though steeped in sin, wants no Saviour.

The Bible says, "He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name."

What place does the Saviour have in your Christmas celebrations? We have elaborate parties, spend much money on gifts, and let liquor flow freely, but give little thought for the Christ Child whose birthday it is. Nay, we dare not think of Him, for He came to save us from the very sins we practice and enjoy even at Christmas.

May you have a joyous Christmas as with the shepherds of old you bow your knees and yield your hearts to Him Who came to save you.

Miss Jean McAfee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAfee, Summit Apartments, arrived home yesterday by plane from Rossland where she is a high school teacher.

To you and yours—
A Merry Christmas
May it bring you joyful hours, happy memories, thoughts of old friends and a contented heart

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# Children enjoy joyful party staged by Canadian Legion

It was Christmastime in the Legion auditorium Sunday afternoon when almost 300 adults and children gathered to attend the annual "Christmas Tree" staged by the Canadian Legion branch No. 27 and Ladies auxiliary.

Christmas movies and a sing-song heralded the arrival of Santa who distributed gifts and treats to all the children with the assistance of LA members. Emcee was G. N. Lemire and chairman for the joyful party was Graham Alexander.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

With genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to all our friends the Season's Greetings. We wish you all the holiday joys with an abundance of good health.

NOBLES

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Martin and children Richard, Linda and Donald of 542 Eighth Avenue West, leave Saturday night aboard the Canadian Prince en route to Castlegar where Mr. Martin has been transferred with Celgar. He is employed at Columbia Cellulose Company Ltd., Watson Island.

Greetings

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