

Christian Education

Building Planned

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At a recent congregational meeting November 26, it was decided to proceed with the erection of an addition to West Plains United Church in the form of a Christian Education building. Since the present church was built, growth of the parish has caused the need for expanded facilities. Two annual Town and Country fairs have been held to raise funds.

The sod-turning ceremony will take place after the morning services on Sunday December 9. Mr. John Craig, chairman of the building committee will perform the spade work, assisted by Mr. Bruce Thurlow, general contractor for the addition. It is expected that construction will be completed early in 1963.

On November 27, the congregation of Aldershot Presbyterian Church welcomed their new minister, Rev. J. Charles Hay, with a reception at the church. A short service was conducted by members of the Hamilton Presbytery, followed by an informal social hour. Mr. Hay was addressed by the leaders of the various church organizations and members of the Presbytery.

Mr. Hay comes to Aldershot with considerable ministerial experience . . . For 12 years he was at Leaside Presbyterian Church in Toronto. After 4 years at McVicar Memorial Church in Outremont, Que., he became Lecturer in New Testament Studies at Presbyterian

Theological College in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Hay have two young children, Merren, five and one-year-old Shaun.

Fairfield Home and School held its monthly meeting with the president, Mrs. H. Dunham opening the meeting. After a report from Mrs. S. E. Robertson, Secretary, and Mrs. H. Coates, Treasurer, four speakers from the Burlington school system were heard.

Miss Helen Marr, reading specialist, spoke of tests she sets up to gauge the correct reading level of students. Miss Marlene Bugry, speech therapist visits Fairfield School once a week to work with children referred to her from the classrooms. There are various causes for speech difficulties but it is often a case of poor audio reception, she said.

Mr. J. B. Mitchell, elementary school inspector, told of opportunity classes to which are sent children of eight years who are two years behind their normal grade. Teachers, principals, and the psychologist confer in the choice of students for enrichment classes but here the parents have the final decision after the recommendation is made.

Mr. Stewart McAfee, psychologist, explained some of the differences between psychology and psychiatry and

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