

Grace Church Anniversary

Many people came to worship at the anniversary services in Grace Presbyterian Church, Millbrook, last Sunday. Rev. Kenneth G. McMillan, B.A., B.D., of Toronto, General Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada, and Moderator of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston was the guest preacher. Rev. Walter Patterson, M.A., Minister Emeritus, assisted in the services which were conducted by the Minister, Rev. W. H. Heustlin, B.A.

The Moderator brought greetings to the congregation from the Synod, also from many Christians in other lands. Since his appointment as General Secretary last fall he has visited seventeen countries.

At the morning service his text was, "Behold, I make all things new," Revelation 21:5. This is a proclamation of faith and a declaration of hope. In work, marriage and in the Christian Church it is only by believing in Jesus Christ and by taking God with us that all things become new in our daily lives. God means us to have the blessings of new things. We must not be satisfied with what we have had in the past or with the present but yield ourselves to Him. He will reveal His will and way, and He will bring forth wonderful new things as we obey.

Evening Service

At night Mr. McMillan told how he had visited the United Church Mission in Trinidad, Baptist Missionaries in Bolivia and the Canadian Presbyterian Mission in British Guiana. "Too often they feel forgotten," he said. "We must support them with our prayers and our gifts and by encouraging them in what they are doing."

Decision and Commitment was the sermon subject at night. "Choose you this day whom ye will serve," Joshua 24:15. Decisions must be made. In trade, marriage, religion and morals we tend to avoid decisions, and fail to see absolutes. The New and the Old Testaments make stern demands and set forth the need of decisions. The demands of Jesus are uncompromising. "Take up the cross," He says. There can be no middle ground. Decision speaks of separation; commitment of giving the self over to another's keeping. We become pledged to a line of action. Commitment is both an act and a life-long attitude.

Necessary in daily life, decisions are even more necessary in religion. No one drifts into Christianity. There is no such thing as being a Christian by proxy. People cannot get the gift of Salvation by taking a course in religion or by good works. Decisions force people to face up to the fact of who the god of their lives is. Many



THE POT CALLS THE KETTLE BLACK

Tugboat Annie Brennan, played by Minerva Urecal, winds up for a swing at Captain Horatio Bullwinkle, played by Walter Sande. These fun-loving friendly opponents can be seen every Monday night on the CBC television network in a comedy-adventure series about the sea, called "The Adventures of Tugboat Annie".

fail to face up to the realities of life, and seek to avoid God. People fail to make the decision to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour, and to commit themselves to Him, because they want to control themselves. Yet the failure to make a decision means that a person finally decides against and rejects the Lord. Young people, making a decision for Christ, know what they are doing, whatsoever others do, and even though they may be called bigoted, old-fashioned or queer. The important thing is not where you are but the direction you are facing. Is it toward the darkness or the light? Is it up or down? If facing down, you need conversion, or to be turned around. If you know you should be converted then you can be. God will give you grace to make the decision. The results will be legion.

Toynbee the historian has written, "Our times-to-day call for extraordinary faith. The challenge of to-day is for Christian people to bring a living faith to a dying civilization." To bring a living faith to the Church, to the home and the community we need to make decisions. We need a complete commitment of our self to God in Jesus Christ. We can begin by offering ourselves. God does not demand that we be perfect. He takes us just as we are. "Let this anniversary be a time when you make a complete commitment of yourself to Jesus Christ," concluded the preacher.

Mr. Sam Castle of Peterborough was guest soloist at both services. His solos brought messages in song that warmed the hearts of those who heard him. In the morning he sang, "Lord, let me live to-day," and "How Great Thou Art". In the evening, "My Cathedral" and "God Hath Not Promised". Miss Patricia Peebles was at the organ.

Bible Society Meeting

In the afternoon the annual meeting of the Millbrook Bible Society was held in Grace Church. The General Secretary spoke, and the District Secretary, Rev. Colin Rudd, B.A., B.D., showed a film, Our Bible—How It Came to Us.

The presence and messages of the General Secretary have made this a historic and long to be remembered day for Grace congregation, Millbrook and the local Bible Society.

AUCTION SALE

An auction sale of good Shorthorn Cattle, Horses, Pigs, Tractor, Grain and Household Furniture, the property of the estate of the late Harry V. Armstrong, will be held at Lot 12, Con. 13, Manvers, just East of 35 Highway and 8 miles South of Lindsay, Ontario, on Thursday, October 17th, 1957, at 1 p.m. sharp. Terms Cash. Ted Jackson, auctioneer.

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Captain William Edwin Massey-Cooke

—passed away at his home Rosehaven, Main Street, Millbrook, on Thursday, October 3rd, 1957, after a lengthy illness.

He was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Massey. The family name was changed to Massey-Cooke in his childhood.

He was born and educated in England. He lived in London, England, and Peterborough, Ontario, before moving to Millbrook about sixteen years ago.

He was a member of St. Thomas' Anglican Church, the Canadian Legion and an associate member of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament. For 30 years he was on call as a lay reader serving in Peterborough and surrounding districts. For this work it was his invariable practice to decline remuneration or to include it in his offerings to the church.

At the outbreak of the First World War he enlisted in the 2nd Canadian Pioneers, later transferring to the Tunnelers under British command, in which he won his commission. He was wounded and held for 2 years in a German prisoner of war camp, where he was given special duties in the administration of the Church under the senior chaplain. Upon returning to Canada he spent two years as a patient in the Military Hospital, Kingston.

He is survived by his wife, the former Rosa Helen Balsom James; two daughters, Mrs. William Hunt (Barbara), B.C., and Miss Betty Massey-Cooke, Peterborough; a sister, Mrs. James Andrews (Marion), of Chenes, France.

The funeral was held on Friday, October 4th, from St. Thomas' Anglican Church at 2 p.m. Officiating were the Rev. H. C. Quinn, rector of St. Thomas' and Canon S. Shepherd of Pickering and the Rev. W. H. Heustlin, Grace Presbyterian Church. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery, Ida.

Pallbearers were: R. W. F. James of Toronto, H. C. W.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN FRASERVILLE W.A.

The W.A. of Fraserville United Church met at the home of Mrs. B. Roode on Wednesday of last week. Three new members joined the Association, namely: Mrs. B. Roode, Mrs. G. Dawson, and Mrs. E. Moore.

An invitation to attend the Thankoffering service at Centreville last night, Oct 9, was accepted.

The church will be flanked by evergreens, arrangements having been made to this end.

Mrs. D. Moffat, leader of the South Group drew attention to the chicken supper to be held to-morrow, October 11th, and requested the North Group to give assistance with same.

Mrs. Roode was named to act on the Christian education group. The W.A. agreed to buy United Church calendars and also copies of "The Upper Room" to be placed in the Church.

Officiating at the meeting were president Mrs. K. Larmer; Mrs. Orville Moncrief, scripture; and Mrs. Ernest Moore, explanation; Mrs. Eric Clarke, leading in prayer. Fifteen members attended.

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