

EMMANUEL ANGLICAN CHURCH CELEBRATES 100th ANNIVERSARY - Cont'd

Following the dinner, chairman of the Building and Property Committee, M. Carl Styles introduced the Master of Ceremonies, William Sly.

Rev. Hodder, first to speak, had the audience laughing as he reminisced about his seven years as paster or the church. He had many "tall tales" and kept everyone's attention as he gave what he termed "the highlights of my service with the church". Such things as bees in the roof and bells that refused to ring were brought to light as Mr. Hodder expounded some of the problems of being a minister of this church. In keeping with the body of his speech, Rev. Hodder ended on a note of humour as he emphatically warned the men of the parish to "watch the bell".

Next speaker was Rev. Hobbs. After thanking members for their loyalty during his years as leader of the parish and for inviting him to join in the church celebrations, he too began to reminisce about the past. The church bell seemed to be the topic of the evening as Rev. Hobbs told of the time he and a member of the church almost strained their backs one day as they rang the bell hard and long to "let the world know the church is alive". He too had the audience laughing as he told of the evening he found bats flying around the ceiling of the church. This was proof enough for him that there were "bats in the belfry".

Ending on a more serious note, Rev. Hobbs told the assembled parishioners he was glad to be back for a visit and he again thanked Rev. Meakin and members of the church for inviting him on such an important occasion.



EMMANUEL ANGLICAN CHURCH CENTENNIAL

Special guests in attendance at the Emmanuel Church's Thanksgiving Supper held Monday night to celebrate the church's hundredth anniversary are from left to right: Bishop E. S. Reed, Rev. J. A. D. Meakin, Mrs. R. G. Piander, Rev. R. H. Hobbs, Rev. H. O. Hodder and Rev. R. W. Smith.