

## Mrs. Peacock Heads WF

Mrs. C. E. Peacock was named as president when the slate of officers for St. Andrew's United Church Women's Federation held their December meeting at the manse on Wednesday evening. Other officers in the slate presented by the chairman of the nominating committee, Miss Muriel Rice, included Mrs. W. C. Arnold, assisted by Mrs. Orr, as second vice-president; (the office of first vice-president was not filled) Mrs. D. Scanlon, Secretary; Mrs. G. Peckover, treasurer; Miss Muriel Rice, devotional secretary; Mrs. A. L. Barry, manse committee secretary; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, kitchen; Miss Jean McGill, Christian Education secretary; Mrs. Lloyd Childs and Mrs. T. D. Cragg, community friendship; Mrs. A. Green, relief and supply; Miss Cecelia Somerville, literature secretary; Mrs. G. Maddison, social secretary.

The devotional part of the meeting was in charge of Mrs. C. E. Peacock, assisted by Miss Muriel Rice, who read the Christmas story as told by St. Luke. Mrs. Peacock gave a very interesting talk on "Merry Christmas".

A vote of thanks was moved by the congregational vice-president, Mrs. C. Lowery, to Mrs. M. B. Glazier, Mrs. F. W. Thompson, Mrs. G. P. Thoday, Mrs. T. Cragg, Mrs. Clayton Dunn, Miss Muriel Rice, Mrs. G. Wilson, Miss C. Somerville, and Mrs. R. Murphy, who convened the various tables at the bazaar, Mrs. T. Cragg, who convened the Masonic banquet, and Mrs. L. Childs, who convened the rummage sale in November.

It was decided to send a donation to the Victor Home in Toronto. The meeting was closed with the Mizpah Benediction. Afterwards, the Christmas party, with the usual exchange of gifts and lunch, was enjoyed.

## William McConnell Celebrates Birthday

Mr. William McConnell celebrated his 91st birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Childs, with whom he makes his home. His birthdate is December 25th, but the celebration is usually held a few days in advance.

Mrs. George Gibbons and Mrs. Albert McChesney, whose birthdays are on the same date as Mr. McConnell's, were his guests and all enjoyed a game of cards, plus a birthday lunch and cake with candles.

Although Mr. McConnell spends a couple of months every summer visiting his daughter, Mrs. Don McMonagle and other relatives in Kingston, he still prefers the cold, bracing air of the north.

Christmas tree lights should be turned off when the family is away from home.



The RCAF will again play host this year to Indians and Eskimos by having Christmas parties at northern bases.



**SEEING SANTA . . .** Visiting Santa to inform him in advance of the things to put under the tree is a yearly tradition just about everywhere. Santa is a kingly, big man—sometimes, it seems, too big for the very young, especially if mommy happens to get more than a couple of feet away. Santa, stout-hearted fellow that he is, seems to take it all in stride. Just part of a day's work, you know.

## Christmas at St. Pauls

By REV. R. H. Nixon

The great Feast of Our Lord's Birth will begin with the Midnight Sung Eucharist at 11:15 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Before the Procession through the church made by the Crucifer, Acolytes, Parish Choir, Servers and Parish Priest, Father Nixon will bless the Nativity Crib to remind us of the Manger at Bethlehem.

On all feasts of the church and weekly, the Holy Sacrifice of the Eucharist is offered to God as our bounden duty and service, so that we may share our lives with Christ, and Christ with us in the blessed sacrament of the altar.

The familiar carols will have an important place in the services of the church in Christmastide. The parish choir will present the anthem "Come, Jesus, Holy Child" by Healey Willan at the midnight Eucharist and the family Eucharist Christmas morning. The setting to the Eucharist will be that of John Merbecke, 1550 A.D.

On Christmas morning there will be two celebrations of the Eucharist, at 9:00 a.m. and a family Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. (Please note change of time). The parents in the parish have been asked to bring their children, as at this Eucharist a visit will be made to

the crib with the children.

At 4:00 p.m. Christmas Day the office of Evensong will be recited in the parish church.

The Holy Eucharist will be offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Christmas week at 10:00 a.m. being the Feasts of St. Stephen, the first Christian Martyr; St. John, Evangelist and Apostle; and Holy Innocents.

Wednesday, December 28. Holy Innocents' Day, the annual Christmas party for the children of the church school, choir boys and girls, Little Helpers and their parents will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. This will be a supper party followed by entertainment.

On the octave day of Christmas, January 1st, 1961, the Eucharist will be offered at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. At 6:30 p.m. Evensong will be recited followed at 7:00 p.m. with the service of Nine Lessons and Carols.

A happy and blessed Christmas-tide to each of you.

### Protect Floors and Rugs From Tree Resin Drip

Unfortunately Christmas trees will drip a sticky resin — so, protect your rug under the tree. Cut a circle of green and red crepe paper, cover it with fire proofed cotton batting and frost with sparkling artificial snow flakes.

If resin from your tree does drip onto your polished floor, it may be cleaned with a soft cloth wrung out of hot suds. Rinse with clear water.

## Haileybury WI Entertains at Party

Members of the Haileybury Women's Institute entertained their children at a Christmas party in the Legion Hall when fifteen boys and girls were present to enjoy an evening of games, the highlight of it all being a visit from Santa, who brought gifts for all. Afterwards, the mothers served lunch.

The Christmas meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Campbell, who is one of the Charter members of the branch, and is always hostess for the Christmas party meeting, and provides a Yuletide atmosphere with a lighted tree and lovely house decorations, as well as a beautifully decorated table for the pot-luck supper which follows the evening program.

Before coming to the meeting, Mrs. Sauve and Mrs. McIntyre visited Mrs. R. McGillivray, another long-term member, who is in the hospital with a fractured arm, bringing her a basket of fruit and Christmas treats. It was the first Christmas meeting Mrs. McGillivray had missed since she became a member. A remembrance was also sent to Mrs. Sam Craig, another Charter member, who is spending the winter in Sudbury.

During the short business meeting, the group enjoyed singing the old familiar Christmas carols with Mrs. Louise Craig at the piano. Games were played and gifts exchanged then a pot-luck supper brought an enjoyable evening to a close.

## Merry Christmas

By Rev. W. J. Churchill

Merry Christmas! This is a familiar, but I trust, meaningful wish. Have you stopped to consider how much this wish means to you?

It conveys friendship, which marks the difference between existence and living. Were it not for having friends of whom we become more aware of this season, life would be a drab existence indeed.

It serves to lift us from the rut of routine to the higher plains of purpose; helping us to realize the truth of the words spoken by Jesus, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

I sincerely hope that it helps us all to recognize that the many blessings which we enjoy throughout the year can be attributed to the Christian heritage of our free country, of which Christmas is one of the reminders. In case you haven't made this important observation, may I ask how many of us would be willing to exchange places with someone behind the iron or bamboo curtains.

With these few reminders of its meaning, please allow me, on behalf of the Pentecostal Assembly and on my own behalf to wish you a Merry Christmas.



Two cars were in collision on Highway 11 at North Cobalt on Saturday evening around 9 p.m. Passengers were taken to the Misericordia Hospital in Haileybury for treatment.