

Silver Nugget W.I. Holds Xmas Party

Mrs. Gordon Tasse was hostess to the Silver Nugget W.I. when they held their Christmas Party at her home on Monday, December 12, with 13 members and one guest present. A pot luck supper and the exchange of gifts took place before the meeting.

President Mrs. H. Cooper presided over the meeting which opened with the Opening Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect. Routine business was followed through. Mrs. St. Laurent reported on the recent Bingo which was a financial success.

A gift was sent to Mrs. Gordon Othmer from the W.I.

The children's Christmas party will be held in the Union Office on Monday, December 19, each child will receive a gift from Santa and a bag of candies.

A report was given by Mrs. S. Wink in which she gave some of the highlights of the Convention held last month in Englehart.

The January meeting will be held on the second Monday of the

month at the home of Mrs. P. Audette Jr.

The roll call will be a bingo prize and each member is asked to bring some of her fruit cake.

The lunch committee for this meeting is Mrs. Wink and Mrs. St. Laurent. Mrs. Wink was the recipient of a birthday cup and saucer and the best wishes of the members. Gift of the month which was donated by Mrs. L. J. O'Shaughnessy was won by Mrs. St. Laurent.

University Needs Church Support

Huntington College will seek to expand its teaching program within the Laurentian University of Sudbury, but future growth must parallel the senior institutions and will depend in large measure on support from Northern Ontario United Church congregations.

This was the main point of a report to the annual meeting of the Northern Ontario University Association by Rev. E. S. Lautenslager of Sudbury, president of the college. The association is a United Church organization which founded Huntington and federated it with the Roman Catholic University of Sudbury as a partner in the non-denominational Laurentian University.

Executive-secretary Rev. James Lytle of North Bay said Huntington's financial campaign raised pledges of \$1,300,000 last fall, but follow-up programs had been hampered by 17 changes in clergy across the six northern presbyteries.

Legion Auxiliary Elects Officers

COBALT — The election of Officers for the New Year was held at the regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion, Branch 44 held on Tuesday, December 13. President Mrs. B. MacPherson chaired the meeting. The date for the members' Christmas party was set for December 20, beginning with a pot luck supper and a social evening to follow. A plant has been purchased to be placed in St. Patrick's Church at Christmas time. The gift of the month which was donated by Mrs. J. Hassett was won by Mrs. A. Fleming and the draw on the hand bag which Mrs. J. Campbell of Toronto donated took place. Mrs. W. Frackleton was the lucky winner. The Election of Officers resulted in Mrs. MacPherson as president for another year; first vice-president, Mrs. J. O'Rourke; past president, Mrs. S. Wink; secretary, Mrs. A. Fleming; treasurer, Mrs. B. Leonard and sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. T. Jones. A cup of tea and lunch provided a pleasant aftermath to the meeting.

Canadian Legion

Mitch Desraiche is back in the saddle as president of the Haileybury Branch of the Canadian Legion.

At the annual meeting of the Branch held last week, Mr. Desraiche was elected president, Jerry Cotman, 1st vice-president; Sam Hughes, second vice-president; Harold Sadler, 3rd vice-president; secretary, Ernie Adams and Basil Treen, treasurer.

On the executive are Ben Bourget, Lou Seymour, Hans Snachenberg, Buster Macdonnell and past president, Walter Hurst.

Close to 50 members were on hand for the election.

Broken Organ Led to Hymn 'Silent Night'

The Rev. Josef Mohr was a priest of implicit faith and child-like trust in the goodness of man. He had a close friend, Franz Gruber, who was versed in music and dabbled now and then in composition.

Between them they composed the world's most simple and beautiful Christmas song—'Silent Night, Holy Night.'

The song is sung in practically all civilized tongues. Yet, little or no thoughts, are given to the poet and composer and the little town and country in which they worked and lived.

World at Peace

Europe was at peace on Christmas eve, 1818. The Napoleonic wars were over and there was much happiness in the little town of Oberndorf, Austria.

There was one minor note of sadness. The organ in the little church had finally given out and there would be no music for the traditional midnight mass.

But the people of Oberndorf did not know that Mohr had written a poem and given it to his organist Gruber. In a few hours during the afternoon and evening of December 23, 1818, Gruber set the words to music.

And strange as it may seem, Gruber used a guitar to provide the musical accompaniment.

Thus was born the song that is universally loved and which has made Mohr and Gruber immortal. Mohr died as vicar on December 4, 1848, in Wagrein, Salzburg. He was greatly loved and respected, but so poor that the town had to pay the funeral expenses.

Franz Gruber fared a little better, but according to our standards both author and composer were as poor as the shepherds on the fields near Bethlehem.

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MISCELLANEOUS

If you wish to have your piano tuned or repaired by Leonard Morin, Call Home Outfitters New Liskeard, Phone MI 7-5622. Leonard Morin is bi-lingual and has fourteen years experience in piano repairing and tuning. 31tf

Coming Events

The Haileybury Figure Skating Club will commence on January 3rd. Same schedule as last year. More information next week. 42



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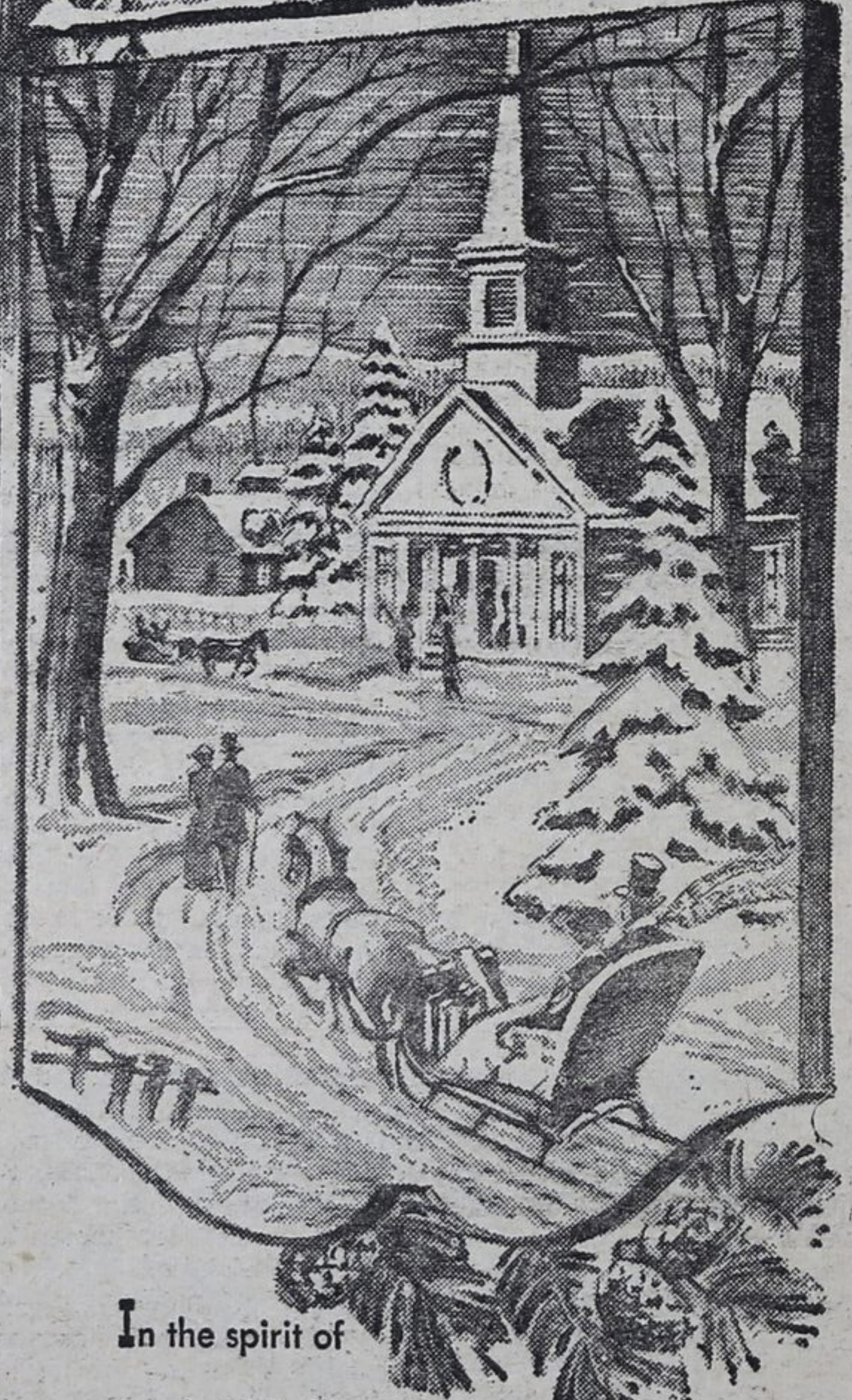
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