



Mrs. Alberta Clow, past Worthy Matron of the Shuniah Chapter, O. E. S., Cobalt, presents Mrs. Cora Duncan, District Deputy Grand Matron with a cut glass vase, on the occasion of her reception at Shuniah Chapter.

Anglican Priest for Fifty Years Serving His God and Fellow Man

Fifty-eight years of service to his church, fifty of them as an ordained priest is the proud record held by Canon H. A. Sims, who was honored by the congregation of St. John's Anglican church at New Liskeard, Sunday June 11th, at a reception held after the morning service.

Canon Sims preached at the morning service, on the words, "Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature". Stating that his religion has been the Book of Common Prayer and the Hymn Book, he stressed the fact that joy and happiness are found in the service of the Lord, and that many people need to "snap out of" an attitude of self pity and self righteousness. He also said that as one grows older the feeling of being needed and wanted becomes stronger.

At the reception Rev. A. L. Chabot, rector of St. John's, paid tribute to Canon Sims, who although he retired ten years ago, is still called on to assist in numberless ways all over the Diocese. Following this, Reg. Stevens, Warden, for the congregation and on their behalf, presented him with five Golden Sovereigns, one for each decade of his ordained service.

Born in Portsmouth, England, on February 8, 1881, Canon Sims joined the Church Army in 1903 and was put in charge of the Hereford Diocesan Mission. In 1904 he was transferred to Headquarters in London where he served for four years. Then in July, 1908, he arrived in Canada and went directly to the Silverwater Mission in Manitoulin Island. Three years later he was ordained as Deacon and then as Priest. His entire service in Canada has been in his beloved North and all but two months of it, in the Algoma Diocese.

From Manitoulin, he came to New Liskeard in 1914 and the fol-

lowing year went to Cobalt.

Six years later he went to St. Paul's church in Fort William and after six years there he was transferred to St. John's in North Bay, where he remained until 1937, going then to Kirkland Lake. In 1941 he was made a Canon and in 1947 went to Chapleau.

Although he retired in 1950 on the advice of his physician, Canon Sims is proud of the knowledge that in all the years of his church service, he has never missed an appointment or engagement, through illness. He has a long and distinguished record of service to his church, serving on the executive committee of the Algoma Diocese, and as chairman of the Council for Social Service. He has represented the Diocese on the General Synod, the Provincial Synod, on the Executive Committee of the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada and as Rural Dean of Temiskaming.

Sitting on the Committee for Revision of the Prayer Book, he sponsored the resolution that authorized the revision of the Prayer Book to its present Day form.

Although so active in his church work, he still found time for participation in community affairs and a sports program as well. He joined the Masonic Order while in Cobalt and the Sons of England in New Liskeard, was a Kiwanian in Fort William and a Rotarian in North Bay. He was on the School Board in Cobalt and acted as chairman on the boards in Fort William in 1923 and in North Bay in 1925. He started a church basketball team in North Bay and through the years participated in curling, badminton, tennis and soccer. In 1921 he invented the game of discing which has since become quite popular.

Canon Sims organized the first

Scout Camp in New Liskeard, on the site known as Sharp's Bay, where his son-in-law and daughter now have their home.

In 1918 he became the first Scout Commissioner in Temiskaming and in 1921 served in the same capacity in Thunder Bay. He was the first in Ontario to receive the Gilwell Badge. When he is not travelling around the country, filling in for one rector, assisting another or attending some important church meeting, he makes his home with his daughter, Lillian and her husband, William Barrett, in a charming house with an intriguing view of Lake Temiskaming. Here he busies himself in caring for a beautiful flower garden, with particular emphasis on the neighborliness of sharing. Another daughter, Mrs. Grace Fischer, lives in North Bay and his only grandson, Harry Fischer, attended Waterloo College. Mrs. Sims died a number of years ago.

When the pulpit of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in New Liskeard was left vacant by the sudden death of Rev. E. J. Kerr, Canon Sims filled it for nine months until another minister could be secured.



Born and educated in Toronto, Gerald Bales received his training at the Royal Conservatory of Music. One of his first compositions, a Nocturne for Piano and Orchestra, has been played by the Toronto Symphony and the Ottawa Philharmonic Orchestras, and over the C.B.C. networks. His "Essay for Strings", composed in 1947, has been performed by the Royal Conservatory Symphony and also by the C.B.C. Symphony Orchestra. Several of his more recent organ and piano works has been published by BMI (Canada) Ltd.

As a pianist, Mr. Bales has toured many parts of Canada for recitals of piano music. Formerly organist and choirmaster of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Toronto and the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer, Calgary, he is now organist of St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Minneapolis, U.S.A.

Haileybury I.O.D.E.

Recess for Summer

The regular meeting of the Haileybury Chapter I.O.D.E. was held at the home of Mrs. D. Hogan on Monday, June 12th. Following the minutes, the outcome of the June Ball was reported upon by Mrs. L. Umphrey. It had proved a huge success financially and had been thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. This was due in no small measure, not only to the hard work of the conveners, but also to the following:

Mr. L. Umphrey for giving so untriflingly of his time prior to the Ball, seeing that the Curling Club was in order, etc., etc. Mr. F. Reavell for his work at the Club. Mr. J. Leishman who took complete charge of the refreshments served in the downstairs lounge, and his assistants Messrs. W. Cavanagh, T. Tulloch, W. Grozelle and Mr. S. Allcorn. Mr. J. Gauvreau who acted as doorman and Mr. E. Huard in charge of the car parking. Miss M. Plaunt and Miss D. Hennessey who assisted with the decorations. Miss C. Smallman and Miss P. Rudd who looked after the ladies check room. Mrs. I. A. Lytle (Evelyn Shoppe). Mrs. E. Assal (Abraham's Ladies' Wear). Mr. S. Smallman and Mr. M. Whitby for their generous gifts for the spot dances. The members extend grateful thanks to all of these people and to the public who supported this affair.

Before the meeting closed, a discussion ensued as to where the Christmas Tea should be held, a home or hall. Members were asked to give it some thought, and to make a few inquiries and a decision made at the September meeting.

The Regent thanked the hostesses and the meeting adjourned for the summer. The September meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. G. L. Cassidy.

Firemen's Day

New Liskeard Firemen have just about completed preparations for the big Tournament to be held here on July 1.

There will be a parade, starting at 1 p.m., with all participating brigades lining up for the big show.

Hot meals will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The fun and frolic for visiting firemen will start with a dance at the Memorial Arena on Friday evening. There will also be a dance on Saturday at the same place.

I.O.D.E. June Ball

Huge Success

The June Ball sponsored by the Haileybury Chapter I.O.D.E. held at the Haileybury Curling Club on June 2nd proved a huge success in every way.

In the receiving line were Col. and Mrs. E. C. Reynolds of North Bay, Mrs. Ken McDonald (Vice-Regent) and Mr. McDonald, Mrs. G. L. Cassidy (Regent) and Brig. Cassidy. The decorations under the convener'ship of Mrs. K. LeVigne and Mrs. T. Parry were very colorful, carrying out the theme of the I.O.D.E.

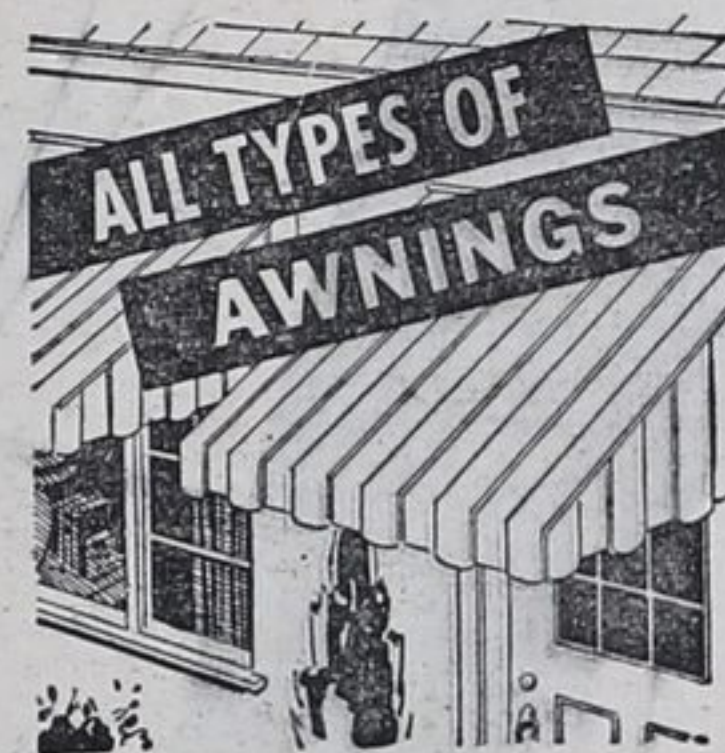
Ninety-nine couples danced to the strains of Mrs. Dorothy Houston and her Rhythm Four.

The Grand March proved a novel success leading to a buffet supper of excellent food beautifully served by Mr. and Mrs. W. Pape. Red, white and blue carnations formed the centre-piece and Mrs. Marjorie Dunn was in charge of the catering arrangements. Mr. J. Leishman ably managed the refreshments in the downstairs lounge. Mrs. F. Cooper and Mrs. K. Sroka were in charge of tickets. The all over success was due in no small measure to Mrs. L. Umphrey the Ball Convener, who worked untriflingly on the many little details. Following many requests, it has been decided by the Chapter that this Ball should become an annual affair.

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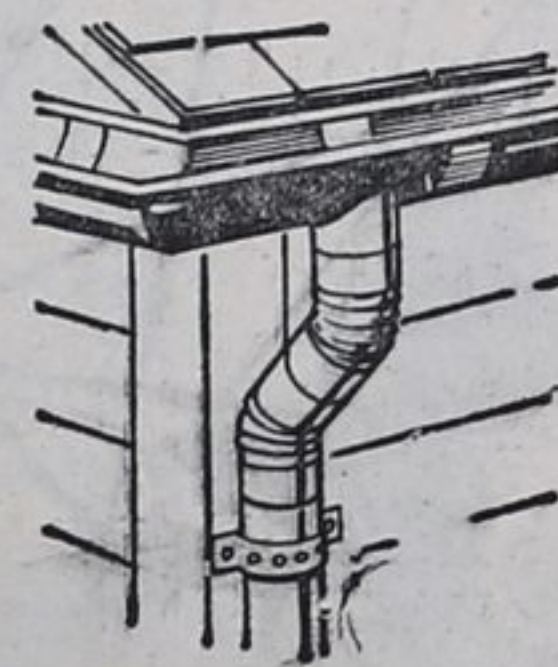
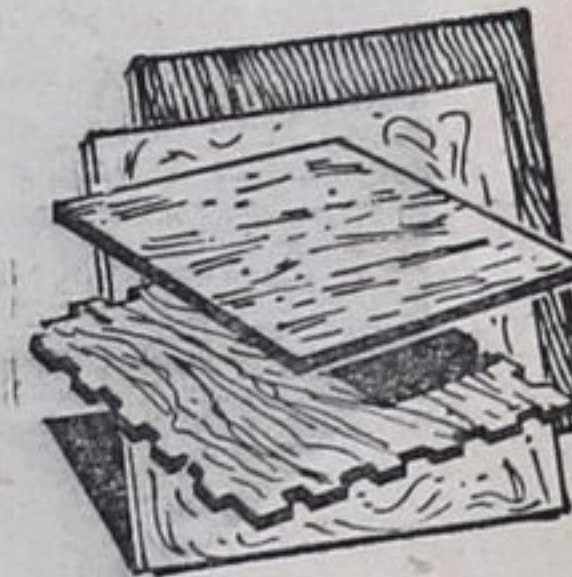


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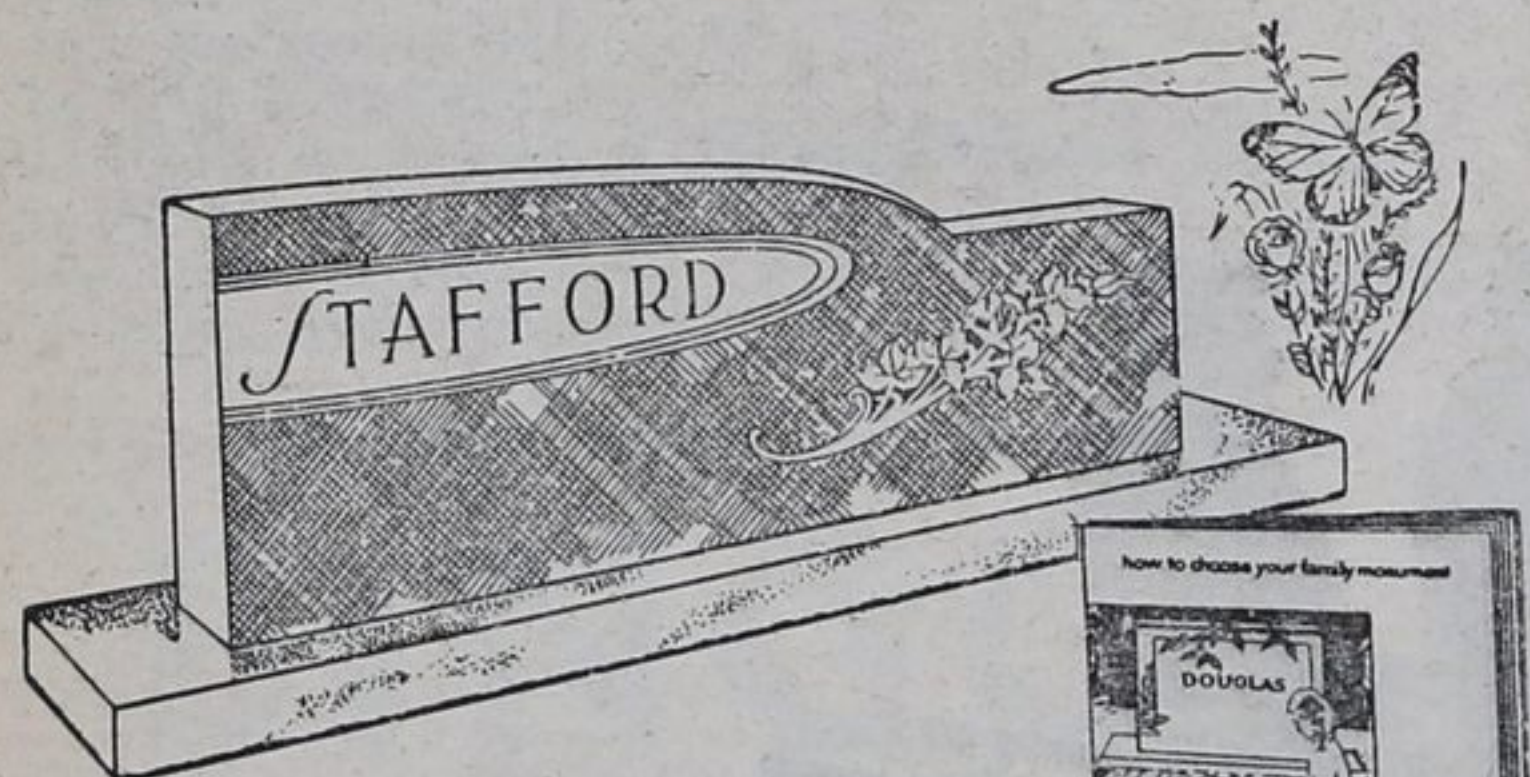
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