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December Meetings Include Elections

The December meeting of the Ladies' Aid of St. David's Church was held at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Greenless. Mrs. Roberts opened the meeting with a Christmas poem, followed by singing "Holy Night" and prayer by Mrs. Menzies. Mrs. Parker read the Christmas story found in Luke. The roll call was answered, using a Christmas verse or custom. The cheer secretary reported three cards sent and read some "thank you" notes. Routine business was dealt with.

A Life Membership Certificate in the Women's Missionary Society was presented to Mrs. Wallace King, a faithful member of both the W.M.S. and Ladies' Aid. Mrs. J. K. Mahon made the presentation on behalf of the Ladies' Aid. The offering was dedicated by the president.

Mrs. L. Crawford then took charge of the program which followed. Two Christmas carols were sung. Mrs. G. Inglis read a very nice Christmas story, "Christmas Past, Present and To Come," written by Miss Ethel Chapman.

Mrs. Robert Early sang a lovely solo, "I Love You."

Rev. J. Sutherland gave a fine Christmas address, dwelling chiefly on "Mary, the Mother of Jesus" and the part she played in His early life.

The president then took charge and the meeting was closed with another carol and prayer by Mrs. A. T. Moore. Several white gifts were brought in and will be sent with the Sunday School gifts to the Children's Home.

A social period followed which was enjoyed by everyone.

Auxiliary Meets

The Blair Evening-Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Douglas Inglis on Wednesday evening for their December meeting. Mrs. Robertson opened the meeting with a Christmas poem. Mrs. Roger Mahon read the Christmas Bible lesson. The president offered prayer.

After a short business period, the program was as follows: Mrs. Douglas Agnew read a poem, "Christmas Carols"; Mrs. R. Parker gave an original Christmas message which was quite interesting. More carols were sung, after which Mrs. James Wallace read a Christmas story, "Mary and Martha Do Their Christmas Shopping."

Officers for 1964 were then elected: president, Mrs. Robertson; vice-president, Mrs. L. Andrews; secretary, Mrs. W. Hambly; assistant secretary, Mrs. J. Wallace; treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Mahon; pianist, Mrs. R. Mahon; assistant plan-

OBITUARY

Robert VanNorman Dies Suddenly

The sudden death on Thursday, December 18th, of Robert VanNorman, was a great shock to his wife, family and many friends. Prior to residing in Acton, he had lived in Rockwood and Osprings. A son of the late Elias Van Norman and Annie Burton, he was born in Guelph township in 1883.

Besides his wife, who was before marriage, Annie Robertson, he leaves two sons, Jim of Guelph and Earl of Acton and one daughter, Beatrice (Mrs. Wm. Benson), Acton. Three brothers and one sister also remain. These are Len and Henry of Guelph; Dan of Logoroll and Mrs. A. Cross of Guelph. To all those who have been so suddenly bereft, sympathy of many friends goes at this time.

Mr. Van Norman was a member of the Church of Christ Disciples at Everton. The funeral was held on Sunday, December 22nd, with service at the Victor B. Rumbley Funeral Home, Acton, conducted by Rev. R. H. Armstrong and Rev. Ford. Here many friends gathered in tribute and sympathy with the family. Interment was at Everton cemetery.

The pallbearers were Cecil Berry, Norman Atkinson, Norman McEachern and three nephews, George Cross, Bert Robertson and Wilbert Van Norman.

Many floral tributes have testified of esteem and sympathy and included those from the following: Wife, Family; Grandchildren; Dora and Alex. Tagell; Canadian Legion No. 234; Mrs. Ethel Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Black, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Ostrander, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Clark; Muriel and Ellen; Bill and Les, Van Norman; Baker Laboratories; Del Jordan and Doug Mason; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sinclair and family; Thomas Blinton; Mr. and Mrs. Mellor; Boys of the Night Shift; May, Lyle and Tom McLeish; Edith and Norm McEachern; C. K. Browne; Jim and Elva Brydon; Ed and Margaret McDowell and Fred Willis; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Butler.

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ist, Mrs. Mahon; cheer secretary, Mrs. D. Inglis; supply, Mrs. R. Parker.

The roll call was answered with a Christmas verse. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Andrews. A pleasant half hour was spent during the social period which followed.

Elect. Officers

The Grace Mission Band held the closing meeting of the year at the home of Gloria Purdy on Thursday evening. Anita Smith was in charge and called on Lois Greenless to open the meeting with the call to worship. A carol was sung and the president offered prayer.

A candlelight service followed and prayer by the leader, Mrs. Wallace. The scripture lesson was read by Sandra Turner with commentary by Mrs. Menzies. An appropriate reading, "Happy Birthday" was read by Mrs. Wallace, also a short story of St. Nicholas. Mrs. Ramshaw offered prayer. Lois Inglis read a short Christmas verse. The offering was received while "Hear the Pennies Dropping" was sung, following by the Mission Band dedication.

Mrs. Menzies presided for the election of officers for the coming year: president, Lois Greenless; vice-president, Gloria Purdy; secretary, Donna Mitchell; assistant secretary, Anita Smith; cheer secretary, Lois Inglis; treasurer, Mrs. Greenless; pianist, Gloria Purdy and Sandra Turner. A recitation was given by Fern Ramshaw.

Certificates and Seals were presented to 11 members: certificate and pin, Lois Inglis, Donna Mitchell, Gwen Wallace; first seal, Beverley Roberts, Sandra Black, Fern Ramshaw; second seal, Lois Greenless, Marianna Greenless; third seal, Anita Smith, Gloria Purdy, Sandra Turner.

A pleasant part of the program was the Christmas tree with its lovely decorations and gifts, which were exchanged by the members. Mrs. Purdy's home was beautifully decorated for this meeting and the refreshments served left nothing to be desired. Ice cream was a special treat.

Your press secretary, with all these organizations, wishes to one and all a Very Happy Christmas Season.

Few of the world's great adventurers have been bald, remarks a historian. Probably because they went in so strongly for hair-raising stuff.

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