

Doctors Tell Annual Meeting Tuberculosis Still Problem

The fact that tuberculosis is still a serious problem was stressed by representatives of the Ontario Department of Health and the guest speaker, the Ontario Minister of Health at the annual meeting of the Halton County Tuberculosis and Health Association. Their concern was expressed to about 150 guests at the dinner meeting in Trafalgar Hall on Thursday, May 14.

The Christmas seal campaign was the most successful in history with \$2,585,311 received, the annual financial report indicated. This represents the mass survey in the county, the case finding program, social services and rehabilitation a grant to the Mountain Sanatorium and the Ontario Tuberculosis Association.

The president, Elmer C. Foster of RR 3 Campbellville presented the program following the delicious dinner. In his report he said, "The Christmas Seal sale serves a twofold purpose. It raises the necessary funds to carry on the work and also reminds the public about tuberculosis."

Mrs. M. E. Lunau of Oakville, the executive secretary, said, "The association carried on its policy of assuming responsibility for clinical chest x-rays for the Halton county at a cost of \$4,790.44. She explained that the seal campaign's per capita return was 34 cents - the highest in Canada. Returns per letter sent out were \$1.22 and per contributor \$1.00, which is above the provincial average. She expressed thanks to all the people of the county.

Chairman of the case finding committee, Dr. A. F. Bull, M.D., M.O.H., of Milton, reported that 2,027 chest x-rays were done in the 1957 survey. Of this number, 18 showed evidence of pulmonary tuberculosis, and four of these had active disease requiring treatment.

Travelling chest clinics are now being held in Milton, Acton, Georgetown and Burlington. Patients in Oakville, Bronte and Trafalgar attend hospital clinics.

The social worker, Mrs. G. P. McAleer reported visits to patients at home and in sanatoria.

The education committee, under William H. Green of Oakville, distributes books and pamphlets and arranges for speakers.

Speaker Concerned
Dr. Mackinnon Phillips, the provincial minister of health, informally addressed the group and, after appreciative laughter at several anecdotes, spoke seriously to the group. "No government can do without these volunteer organizations," he pointed out. "Your contribution is the foundation for basic Christianity."

Dr. Phillips was very concerned about a situation that will have to be coped with in the next five years. He referred to New Canadians who, with a change in climate and diet, might develop TB. He had been asked to agree to entry of immigrants with tuberculosis into the country. He explained he refuses, since, although the mentally ill are harmless, TB patients are potential killers.

He reviewed the insurance program to go into effect next year but said that, as far as he was concerned, there would never be state medicine here.

Dr. Phillips was introduced by Bruce Harrison of Oakville and thanked by Bill Benson of Acton.

Directors Named
Bruce MacNab gave the report of the nominating committee. All the present directors of the Association were retained, with the addition of Frank Quinlan of Campbellville and Elmer Carberry of Oakville. The directors name their own officers. Other directors are E. C. Foster, president for the past year; Bruce MacNab, past vice-president; Bruce Harrison, past honorary treasurer; Dr. A. F. Bull, Dr. G. K. Phillips, Oakville; Mrs. Mary S. Smith, Milton; Mrs. E. Sanford, Lenoirville; Mrs. George Sumner, RR 2, Acton; Dr. W. L. Anderson, Oakville; Mel Howden, Burlington; H. C. Morris, Oakville; William Benson and William R. Green. Mrs. M. E. Lunau is the executive secretary and Mrs. G. P. McAleer the social worker.

Doctors present represented several sanatoria. They greeted the meeting, praised the work of the

I.O.D.E. Group Hold Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. was held in the Legion auditorium on Tuesday, May 13. Two minutes silence was observed for a recently deceased member, Miss Frances Wilton. Reports were received from the secretary, Mrs. B. Rutland, treasurer, Mrs. D. Manning, and assistant treasurer, Miss Alma Branda. The report, Miss J. Colby, presented.

Mrs. Har West, world affairs convener, outlined some interesting points in connection with the new provincial hospital plan which will come into effect on January 1, 1959. Under the Ontario Hospital Service Commission, it was emphasized the plan would still require volunteer assistance from the communities to make it a success.

The role of the commission, stated Mrs. West, would be mainly to encourage, counsel and guide the hospitals. She also related a story regarding Spence Bay in the Arctic in which Clayton Fryer of Acton, serving with the R.C.M.P. in the north, was mentioned.

Pocket novel editions were brought to the meeting by members to be shipped overseas by the services at home and abroad convener, Mrs. E. Marks.

A report of the recent annual meeting of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind was given by Mrs. S. Matthews.

It was decided to hold a bazaar in November under the sponsorship of Mrs. E. Fostitt and Mrs. J. Mann. Mrs. G. Somerville gave a report of the successful 40th anniversary dinner meeting held in April.

A complete report on the provincial convention held recently in Hamilton was given by Mrs. H. Spetvogel. Acton Lakeside chapter had been honored with an invitation to carry their standard at the impressive opening ceremonies.

Mrs. Spetvogel reviewed the many accomplishments of the chapters in the province during the past year, particularly in educational and welfare work, and outlined what they hope to do in the future. A donation was made to the Decoration Day committee for the special service on Sunday, June 1. Members were asked to attend the parade and service and also to help provide lunch for the visiting

Earlier in the program, Mary Kay Gibbons gave a talk on "Florence Nightingale." Helen Benton and Mary Beth Elliott sang two duets, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. M. McCullough.

Lunch was served by the committee in charge and a social half hour enjoyed.

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SCOUT NEWS

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A Scout clinic was held and the boys were dismissed. A Court of Honor was held afterwards with the main discussion on the major paper done this coming Saturday, May 16th. The meeting was closed by the president, L. Dubs and seconded by H. Corrie.

Bill Dawkins

College Student Accepts Charges

A third year student at Waterloo College, Jack Hirtch, who recently accepted the charge of Rockwood and Eden Mills Presbyterian churches, moved with Mrs. Hirtch a week ago into the newly decorated manse in Rockwood.

Mr. Hirtch, who has been preaching regularly in the two churches since February 22, was first heard by the Rockwood and Eden Mills congregations on Remembrance Day of last year.



JACK HIRTCH

Following the call to the ministry, which he accepted 12 years ago, Mr. Hirtch held a mission post in Oshawa, Lake Simcoe, Alton Park for a time, where a large membership was built.

Mr. Hirtch was born in Hamilton, Ontario, where his mother, Mrs. E. Hirtch still lives. One of his sisters is a deaconess in the Presbyterian Church. He received his early education in Hamilton.

Mrs. Hirtch, a retired elementary school teacher, will be in a completed program of study at Hamilton.

Present from Acton on special duty were Mr. and Mrs. C. Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. Garnet McKenzie.

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Special Mother's Day Service Held in St. Joseph's Church

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The Altar of the Blessed Mother was installed in the church and while the children of the parish were in the church, the children of the parish were in the church, the children of the parish were in the church, the children of the parish were in the church.

The solemn ceremonies of the Mass were held in the afternoon. The children of the parish were in the church, the children of the parish were in the church, the children of the parish were in the church.

Local Boy Musician Competes at Festival

Gerald Weick, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louise Weick of Acton, placed 11th in the 15-year-old class in the county-wide festival at the Stratford-Kawartha Music Festival on Wednesday afternoon.

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