



A SING-SONG of Christmas carols highlighted the annual party for the Brownies at the Scout Hall on Saturday morning. Pictured above the group gaze admiringly at the tree as they sing "Silent Night". Prior to the party 11 new girls were ec-

cepted into the group and many of the parents were present to witness the ceremony. Mrs. G. Adams, District Commissioner, was in charge of the ceremony as the girls were enrolled as Brownies.

Brave Ice Storm, Power Break To Attend Christmas Concert

Undeterred by an ice storm and power failure, a large crowd of parents and children braved the north winds and heavy snow and met Saturday evening to attend the annual Knox Presbyterian Sunday school Christmas concert.

Prior to the concert, the entrance had been blown into splinters when a car struck a hydro-pole by Backwood and lanterns and candles were put out. Light for the audience and young performers.

While waiting for the lights to be restored, everyone passed in singing Christmas carols until finally the program got under way as the church sanctuary lighted only by gas lanterns.

Christmas Greeting
Joy A. McKenney brought Christmas greetings to the large audience of children and parents and gave the offertory prayer.

Arrangements for the different numbers was provided by Mrs. A. Mann and E. A. Hansen, K. Mann, superintendent of the Sunday school was master of ceremonies.

At the conclusion of the different numbers on the program, Mrs. Clark made her own offering and distributed bags of candy to all the youngsters present.

Varied Program
Items on the program included the following numbers: Johnnie, Merry Christmas, Welcome, Mary, McParsons class, Mr. Armstrong, Jack, numbers from Miss B. Rosella's junior congregation class and Mrs. H. Christensen and Mrs. W. McParsons' kindergarten class, Shulene Marshall and Judy Martin's class, Daddy, I'm Santa Claus, Laurie Ritchie's class, Let's Santa, Barbara Davidson and Carl Hansen's class, Mama Doll Song, Shirley Mason's class, New Year's Resolutions, an action song from the Sunday school, The Wise Man Built His House, Murray Seay's class, a skit, Grandpa McParsons' class, Christmas, and a song on solo, Oye, Vlostra, Howard's class, a drum solo by Bonnie Freuter.

Many Participate
Nancy Skippin's class, Presents, Ella Jany's class, Christmas Symbols, Mrs. Davidson's class, a song, Santa Claus is Coming to Town.

Santa Stops the Show At St. Joseph's Party

Santa Claus made a dramatic entrance before an excited group of children Sunday afternoon at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church Sunday school party. The children were watching films at the Rocky theatre when the cartoon stopped suddenly and it was announced that Santa had arrived.

He welcomed his friends to the party, then the game and then read out at the front of the theatre and then one by one from Santa's list to the older children. The planning president of the Holy Name Society called them to order and was assisted by members of the executive in keeping the party going.

A clown entertained during the program.

Gifts Presented
Mr. Fleming presented gifts to the teaching Sisters from Ignace.

Bowl for Birds

Players in various bowling leagues at Acton Bowling Lanes have started their annual Christmas bowling for prizes. Monday the Log in Lakes team held their turkey bowling game and the holiday turkey and girls league also for turkey.

Practically every evening night bowling league players are bowling for turkey at the Log in Lakes.

Midgets Drop Close Game 5-4 To Oakville in Dying Minutes

Acton midget hockey team hot on the trail of a championship were foiled in the final few minutes of a game in Oakville Monday night from chalking up another victory to strengthen their hold on first place in the league. The Oaks defeated the locals 5-4 in a hard checking but fast skating game.

Acton opened up the scoring early in the first period when Ron Mellon flicked the red light on a pass from Pete Marks, but the Oakville crew soon tied the score up and then went ahead by one before the bell rang to end the period.

Fresh from a pep talk by manager and coach Ernie Marks and Ben Bayless the Acton lads put the pressure on the Oakville goalie. They rattled shot after shot at him until Denis Gibbons sent the twine on an assist from Ron Mellon, to tie the score up again at 2-2.

The mighty Oaks playing in "A" class against the Acton "B" were not taking this splurge sitting down and soon had two more goals chalked on the score board before the final whistle tooted to end the second period.

Sitting two goals down the Acton team fresh from another pep talk danced rings around the Oaks defence with Mellon and Malvoles teaming up on a rush and Mellon bulging the twine for his second counter of the evening.

Pete Marks tied the score up shortly after an assist from Mellon and Brian McCristall to even the tally and keep the locals in the running.

With the clock fast running out the Oakville team made a rush into the Acton end of the arena and countered the final winning goal before the bell ended the game.

Penalties were plenty throughout.

Origin of Dance In Disapproval Of English Rule

A very enjoyable regular dance of the Acton Scottish Dance Club was held on Saturday in Luxton Memorial Hall with a fair attendance in spite of the inclement weather and other functions in the town. There were guests who ventured on the icy roads from Clarkson and Georgetown.

In the absence of Jack McCrechie, the instruction period from 7:30 to 8:30 was taken by J. J. Donnelly for a dozen or so teenagers who are anxious to learn the rudiments of dancing.

Origin of Dance
During the intermission, Donny Izatt gave a graceful, old-time "Shean Troubadour". Her father afterwards explained the origin of this dance "John's Troubadour". At the Jacobite Rebellion of 1745 the Highlanders were forbidden to wear the kilts and for over 100 years the Highland men had to wear trousers.

This dance was the method of expressing disapproval of the users and the movements expressed the attempts to kick them off.

Gifts Distributed To Mission Circle At December Meeting

The Baptist Women's Mission Circle held the December meeting and Christmas party at Mrs. G. Ralston's home, Mowbray Place.

The president, Mrs. C. Landsborough, opened the meeting with prayer and read a poem entitled "Christmas Eve". Secretary, Mrs. G. Lott, called the roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved.

A season of prayer, interspersed with carol singing, followed with Mrs. Landsborough for India, Mrs. Bulmer, Angola, Miss Baillie, Bolivia and Mrs. Helwig Home Missions.

Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Helwig gave the evening's devotional with Mrs. Hutecheon reading from Isaiah chapter nine and taking as her theme "The Young Lord of Heaven" and read a poem entitled "Keep Christmas All Year", closing with prayer.

Santa Arrives
Mrs. Helwig read a poem written by Cecil B. DeMille entitled "A Boy's Finest Memory" and led the carol singing. Mrs. L. Bulmer and Mrs. Baillie accompanying on the piano. Mrs. C. Landsborough closed the meeting with prayer.

During the social hour and before tea was served, Santa arrived and distributed the gifts which had been piled under the Christmas tree.

At the close of the evening's fellowship Miss E. Fryer moved a vote of thanks to all who had a part in the program and to Mrs. Ralston for opening her home for the meeting and Christmas party.

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Spiritual Aspects Of Season Stressed

The December meeting of the Ovington Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Byron Bruce with 15 ladies in attendance.

The devotional theme, "The First Christmas Morning", was taken by Mrs. McEwan with the hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful", being sung. Plans were made for the Sunday school concert and appointment of a nominating committee, also other business items.

Real Yule Spirit
The program prepared by Mrs. Howard was given. The motto, "Where Will You Be at Christmas?", was given by Mrs. Sumter. This explained the real spirit of Christmas should be centered around the spiritual rather than the material aspects of Christmas to bring each of us nearer to Christ in our homes, in the church and in our friendships.

A reading, "What We Think Christmas Is" was taken by Mrs. McEwan. A solo, "Silent Night", was rendered by Mrs. B. Bruce. A poem, "Christmas Smells", was read by Mrs. McKenzie and a bird contest was conducted by Mrs. Aitken.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Bruce and a lovely lunch was served by Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Fisher acting as hostesses.

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