

PERSONALS

Friends and families will be together this weekend to celebrate Christmas—each group in its own traditional way. The names of visitors in this column will be of special interest next Thursday.

Miss Marilyn Young, a Ryerson Institute of Technology student, is home for Christmas.

Home for Christmas from the University of Toronto is Miss Mary Lou Creighton.

Andrew Knox is home from St. Andrew's College, Aurora, for the holidays.

Peter Wolfe is home from St. Andrew's College for the Christmas holidays.

Dean Lemon arrived home last week from Belleville School for the Deaf for his Christmas holidays.

Mrs. A. Mooney is a patient in Guelph General Hospital, and all hope for a return of good health soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kentner of Toronto and formerly of Acton, are visiting in Los Angeles, California with their son Ken.

Mrs. R. M. MacDonald is spending the Christmas holidays with her daughter Mrs. Norman Small and family at Niagara Falls.

Lottie Jimmy Krapek celebrated his fourth birthday on Tuesday and entertained several little friends at a party at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McKenzie entertained the Robert Little public school teachers at dinner at their home Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Wang brought their home to leave right after Christmas to spend the winter at the Arma Hotel, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Home from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing for the Christmas holidays are Carol Goodwin, Barbara Ware and Heather Wittens.

Wednesday evening the high school staff and their guests returned to the school for a dinner of turkey and salad and spent the evening together.

Mrs. Wes Wallis joined her husband in New York City for a few days last week. Mr. Wallis was in the city from Milwaukee to attend the leather show.

Miss Marilyn Rogwardson, a Ryerson student is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. Hugo, Toronto, K. F. & A. Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Collier from the University of Richmond Hill were Sunday guests with their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson and family, Brock Ave.

Mrs. Helen Savers returned home from the Miller District Hospital and is convalescing at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Savers of K. F. & A. Acton.

Miss Sheila Paul, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Paul, Mill Street, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents. She is a member of the St. Andrew's Church, St. John's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ledger were hosts at the Acton Rotary Club Christmas dinner during the week of Christmas parties. A buffet lunch was served and every one enjoyed the evening.

Mrs. A. J. Buchanan was able to return from Guelph General Hospital on Friday after being a patient there for a couple of weeks. Her many friends hope for a return to good health for her.

Turkey dinner was enjoyed by members of Acton Women's Institute in the Downtown Hotel Thursday evening of last week. The ladies played cards and bingo afterwards with prizes for the winners.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Hargrave played host to around 19 members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade during a Christmas dinner Saturday, December 3. Following the turkey dinner members joined in contests, games, singing and dancing. Three of the members presented a skit complete with grass skirts and all Hawaiian trimmings.

An artist Yusuf Dreter has purchased the old Rockwood Academy. He has been working at the home of his father, a farm in the district, where his workroom includes large paintings and modern sculpture. CBC photographers have been photographing him and his work for presentation later.

Scouts, Cubs Enjoy Christmas Parties

Thursday of last week scouts and cubs enjoyed their Christmas parties in the scout hall. For the scouts there were hot dogs, while the cubs enjoyed sandwiches, cookies, chocolate milk and apples. They enjoyed games.

Carol Service By Candlelight At St. Alban's

Beautiful decorations formed a most attractive setting for the annual candlelight service at St. Alban's church on Sunday evening. The recently formed Altar Guild transformed the church after the morning services. The Christmas tree was entirely lit in blue. Garlands of evergreens and cones were placed at each window. Candelabra held the candles which were lighted during the service.

One single candle at the altar, symbolizing Christ, flickered alone as the service began. Representing the Apostles, Les Doby and Vic Bristow lit 12 more candles from it. Then the light from the altar was carried to candles in the nave, representing the Christian people of the world.

Special Music As the choir entered singing all the lights were turned on. Directed by Mrs. F. Oakes, the choir sang lovely Christmas selections, with a solo by Lesley Anne Doby.

The Christmas story from the gospel was read by Jimmy Ware representing the choir boys. Barry Kirkness representing the altar boys, Les Doby representing the lay readers, Sam Snow representing the wardens and the rector, the Rev. H. B. Stokreef.

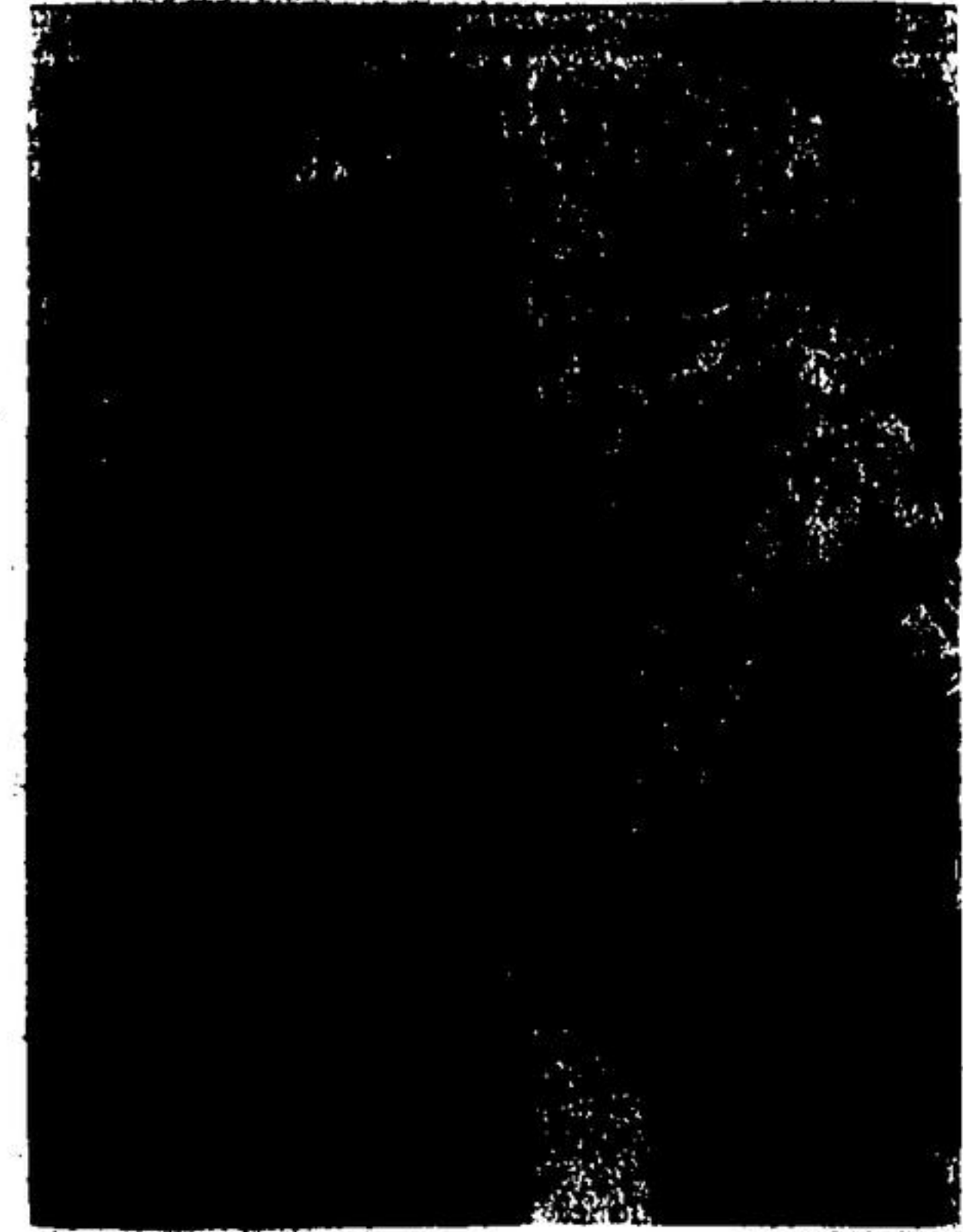
The capacity congregation joined in singing the familiar carols.

T. Lynch Heads B.A.C. Executive

Tom Lynch was named president to head the 1961 executive of St. Alban's B.A.C. during a business pleasure Christmas meeting at the home of Frank VanWyeck, Wednesday, December 14.

Combining business with pleasure the members enjoyed an informal song musical number by Rev. H. B. Stokreef and Les Doby on their guitars and piano selections by Harold Denby.

Other officers elected included vice president George Gold, secretary Vic Bristow, treasurer Frank Van Wyeck, set at Arms William Denny, reporter Les Doby and luncheon committee Ernie Coker, Ken Thompson and George Gold.



"REALLY, SANTA!" says Tony Ironside to the northland visitor at the United Church Christmas party Sunday afternoon. Mr. Ironside is superintendent of the Sunday school and was chairman of the program.

Sunday School Classes Present Program in School Auditorium

A pleasing Christmas program, limaxed by Santa's sudden arrival in a blast of arctic air, comprised the United Church Sunday school concert at the Robert Little school auditorium Sunday afternoon. Each class was represented as Sunday school superintendent Tony Ironside introduced the numbers.

The Rev. Dwight Engel led in the singing of carols. First on the platform were the nursery and kindergarten class singing Welcome Welcome and Merry Christmas to You.

The grade one children and grade two children sang and recited. The grade three children read from the Bible and sang. Girls of grade four, five and six gave a Christmas drill. The boys of these grades conducted a typical Sunday morning class with no assistance from their teachers.

Bob Hart sang a solo, accompanied by Jean Hart; Jacoba Van Der Brink gave an accordion solo; Judy Doby and Diane Ironside gave a piano duet; Kathy McKenzie, Karen Perkins and Sandra Slingerland gave a recitation.

The senior boys gave a Christmas play in two acts, "Christmas is a lovely word." Gifts were distributed from two gay trees flanking the stage.

Dance on Television In School Holidays

Frequent visitors to the Acton Scottish dance club whose parents are members, Penny Latt of Clarkson, Andrea Cunnella and Margaret Slaven of Acton will be dancing on Elaine Cole's show CKOC-TV channel 13, Kitchener, between 12.45 and 1.15 on Wednesday, December 28.

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ROCKWOOD

Christmas Entertainment, Meetings Highlight Community News Events

Christmas season entertainments are the main attraction at present. Friday evening, the Sunday school entertainment of the Presbyterian church was held, with a good attendance of parents and friends of the young folks.

John Birch addressed the gathering briefly before the program. Teachers of classes had charge of the numbers. The instrumental selection was contributed by Charlie Andrews.

At the conclusion of the program, Santa Claus (Charles McNabb) put in his appearance to the delight of the youngsters and was assisted in distributing the numerous presents of the tree. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

Previous to the Sunday school entertainment, a rehearsal was held by members of the Y.P.S. and Sunday school for the pageant which was held Sunday evening.

During the service Sunday morning, Mr. Birch officiated for a White Gift ceremony.

Camera Club Another camera club meeting was held last Wednesday in the former magistrate's court room in City Hall, Guelph, with a good attendance.

William Scanlon showed two films in color dealing with Japanese goods by Canon Camera Co. The second film dealt with lenses from raw materials to the finished product placed in the containers to be inserted in the camera proper. Displays were also shown of completed cameras ready to be packed and shipped.

Don Hills and Richard Harris were present at the meeting from Rockwood. The latter had with him photo prints for display and discussion. Three of the enlargements were duplicates of prints which were on exhibit in connection with the International Photo Competition in Holland last spring, sponsored by different churches in Holland from March to September. A few other prints in color dealt with the contest sponsored by the Toronto-Dominion Bank last year. R. Harris succeeded in winning a consolation prize.

Car Mishap

Previous to service at St. John's church Sunday afternoon, Rev. H. B. Stokreef figured in a three car mishap on Guelph St. Cars from Georgetown and Toronto, along with Rev. H. B. Stokreef's, sustained damages totalling \$265.

During the first part of the service, E. Slipp officiated until Rev. H. B. Stokreef was at liberty to come in and finish the latter part of the service.

Present Pageant Sunday evening, the pageant put on at the Presbyterian church was well carried out with J. Birch directing and assisted by Mrs. L. Johnston and Mrs. J. Pearce. Those who took part appeared in costume, adding much to the occasion.

As the group entered the auditorium, all sang two verses of O Come All Ye Faithful, with Mrs. John Freeman at the console of the organ. During parts of the pageant, carols were sung while others acted their parts in connection with the nativity.

Sympathy Expressed Sympathy of the community is extended to members of the Patterson family in the passing of Mrs. Robert Patterson of Acton at the home of Alford Patterson in Limehouse. The late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson were former members of the Presbyterian church, Rockwood, when they lived on the farm now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Patterson.

Schools close this week for the Christmas and New Year holidays. Weekend and Sunday visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Ross Allen of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Malby of Pushtich.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the editor and staff of the Acton Free Press and to all readers of the weekly paper.

Y Serenade

Last night Acton Citizens' Band played a concert of carols on the Y.M.C.A. steps, and Friday there will be community singing there. Christmas records are also being played over a loudspeaker at the Y.M.C.A. other evenings.

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