

Greetings Read at Church From Korea, Pair in Africa

A Christmas service was held on Tuesday night. Winners were on Sunday morning. Mr. Fleming read Christmas greetings from Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kirkwood from Africa and Ming Lee in Seoul who has been here. Antems were sung by both junior choir and adult.

After the service, all retired to the basement and enjoyed a self-serve lunch and a social hour. Films were shown by Allan Jamieson and gifts were handed out to all the children.

A lecture was held in the hall on Friday night in the form of a party when husbands and families were invited. Games were played and an exchange of gifts by all. Lunch was served and a few dances followed. All felt it had been a very pleasant evening.

The W.I. handed out 13 Christmas boxes to sick and shut-ins in the community. A Happy New Year to one and all.

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Personal Notes . . .

Of Actonians Visiting Out-of-Town Places and of Visits in Acton Homes

Are you for Christmas? Had the family home? Parties for Christmas or New Year? Call 852-2888 to have the house decorated in next week's column.

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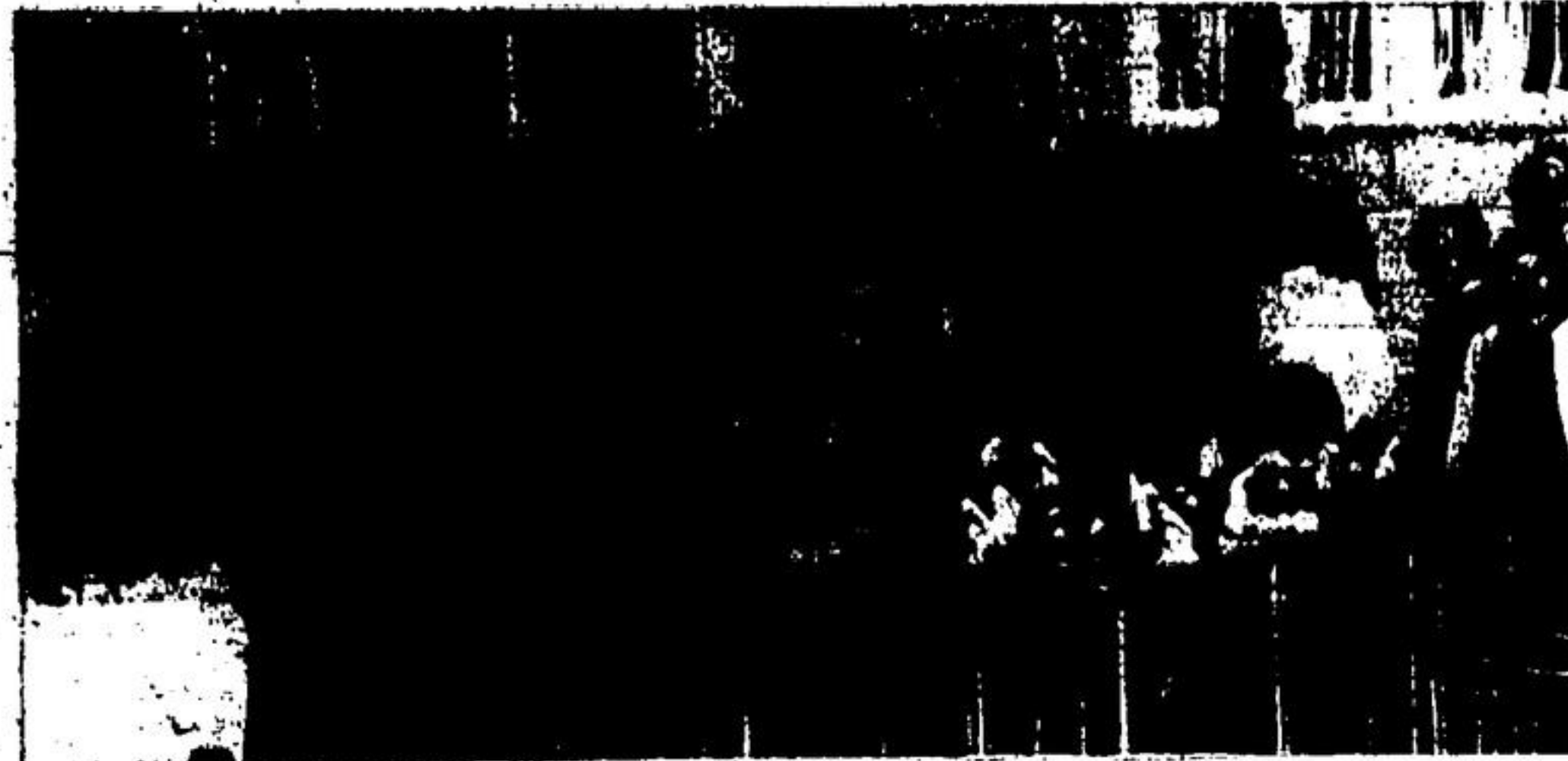
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"OLD ST. NICK" or should we say "Young St. Nick" was present at the high school at home and this time he didn't give away gifts but instead, took admission fees from the patrons in attendance. Left to right are Hermie Bessam, Carl Weir (in the whiskers) and Mike Rogers. Harvey Smith and his orchestra provided the music.



ST. JOHN AMBULANCE cadets staged their annual Christmas party and program in their meeting room at the Community Centre Tuesday, December 17. The group is shown with the leaders as they prepared to sit down to a meal at decorated tables. Leaders Mrs. George Hargrave and Mrs. Eddie Heffernan were assisted in the program by superintendent George Hargrave of the adult division.

Fred is Spry at 93

He's a Born-Again Believer

By ROY DOWNS
Frederick William Gardiner, a former Aldershot resident now living at Halton Centennial Manor, quietly celebrated one of his birthdays Thursday, December 12. It was his 93rd birthday.

But Mr. Gardiner claims he has two birth-dates. The first was a "natural" birth that happened in England on December 12, 1870, just 93 years ago.

The second was a "spiritual" birth that happened in Hamilton over 20 years ago — and this was the important birth for him. "I'm a born-again believer," explained the spry, witty gentleman as I chatted with him last week.

He came to Canada at the age of 12 and worked on various Ontario farms until he settled down at Aldershot (now Burlington) where he wandered into a farm to ask for a job and found "salvation, a home and a wife."

He married his wife (now dead) in 1902 and for the next 60 years worked his market garden farm and made frequent trips to the market in Hamilton to sell his produce.

"I was one of the last to travel to the Hamilton market by horse," he recalled, and smiled when he told how a Hamilton reporter had written a story about him coming to market with his horse. He also remembers the good meals you could buy in restaurants near the market square in those good old days, at good old prices like 25 cents!

But the highlight of Mr. Gardiner's life was his spiritual rebirth. It happened in a Gospel Hall in Hamilton, as he knelt on his knees. "It was real, I'll never forget it," he explained. "The love of God was revealed to me personally, it hit me right in the soul. The Holy Spirit was in control, it wasn't me at all."

For years he had been what he called "an old-fashioned preacher" and spent his spare time travelling around the country, side spreading the word of the gospel to any who would take time to listen. Most of the time he spoke in Gospel Halls. He was never ordained to preach, but chuckled over his three "degrees" — B.A., M.A., and D.D.

B.A. stands for Born Again, M.A. stands for Marvelously



FRED GARDINER Altered. And D.D. meant he was Divinely Delivered from the

LIMEHOUSE

Christmas Parties, Meeting Install Same W.M.S. Officers

(Intended for last week)
The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. A. W. Benton on Wednesday evening last week. The Glad Tidings Christmas program was followed, led by the president, Mrs. Mitchell. Scripture was read by Mrs. Gisby and Mrs. Patterson led in prayer.

Mrs. Dedman of Brampton, accompanied by Mrs. Roughley, sang O Holy Night and Silent Night. Text word "prince" was answered in a verse of scripture. Items of a Christmas nature were read by several members. Mrs. James Noble took the chair for the election of officers. All officers were reinstated. The hostess served refreshments after the meeting.

Officers for 1964 include: president, Mrs. W. Mitenell; vice-president, Mrs. J. Roughley; secretary, Mrs. A. W. Benton; treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Patterson; Glad Tidings, Mrs. Bert Bentoh; literature, Mrs. Gisby; supply, Mrs. Mills; Home Helpers, Mrs. Mitchell.

We are pleased that Mrs. Wilfred Harding and Mrs. Mike Bentall are both well enough to be home from hospital.

The W.I. ladies catered for turkey dinners for the press from Smith and Son's plant at Georgetown in Limehouse Memorial Hall on Friday evening.

S. S. Party
The Sunday School children and quite a number of other local children were entertained at a play "Once Upon a Time" by the Little Theatre Group in the high school auditorium in Georgetown on Saturday. They had sandwiches, cookies and hot chocolate back at the church's waiting for Santa Claus, who distributed oranges and candies.

Knox Church choir from Georgetown held their Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kern on Wednesday evening.

Teachers and friends from M



PRIVATE Gordon A. Cripps, R.R. 2, Acton, a member of 4 Field Ambulance RCAMC, was a recent graduate of a Junior Non-Commissioned Officers Course which was conducted in London for members of the 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade Group. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Cripps, live at R.R. 2, Acton.

(National Defence Photo)

Growers Plan January Meet

The directors of the Burlington and District Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association were hosted by their new president, Charles Brown, to plan the January 9 program for the association.

The change in format of the Ontario convention necessitates good attendance of the district association to thoroughly discuss the business of the fruit

and vegetable industry. Changes of policy, such as legal types of containers, will be made at these meetings.

Honor Bandsmen At Legion Dance

Bandsmen and their guests attended the Saturday night dance at the Legion as a pre-Christmas get-together. Special presentations were made to veteran bandsmen Charles Mason, Rudolph Spielvogel, Ray Agnew and Bing Ramsden in appreciation of their long and faithful service to the band.

The presentation was made at intermission by president Ted Tyler Jr. and bandmaster Alf Perrott. The bandsmen received leather wallets with their names engraved on each.

As well as business of policy, there will be a presentation by Dr. John Wiebe, research scientist, Vineland, on plant physiology. This will be a discussion of why and how plants react to temperature, light and other physical influences.

William Benner, secretary-treasurer, announced that the meeting on January 9 will start at 2 p.m. in the Lions' Hall, James St., Burlington.



RETARDED CHILDREN at the Sunshine School benefit from the generosity of Robert Little school pupils Friday when the R. L. pupils paid a visit to the Sunshine School and presented two toboggans, two weapons and a portable sewing machine. Pictured holding the gifts are Joe Petrie and Jane Stritt, two students who shared in the collection of money.

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