

Two churches join for special service

The World's Day of Prayer service was held in Churchhill church on Friday afternoon, February 10 when a good number of ladies extended from the two churches, Ballinacree and Churchhill, considering the stormy afternoon. A film was shown by Mrs. Lawr of Ballinacree and Mrs. W. Swackhamer read the Scripture. Mrs. Fred Shortall, Mrs. Norman Sinclair and Mrs. Ernie McEnery rendered a trio which all enjoyed. Friends and relatives of the community extended their sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Denny and family in the death last week of her father, Mr. Leonard Leslie in Guelph.

Smith R. Griffin left by plane for Ottawa on Sunday where he will be attending the Canadian Horticultural Council.

Visitors on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer were Mrs. C. D. Swackhamer of Acton, Don and Shirley Swackhamer of Brookville, Fred and Linda Thompson of Guelph and Carol Swackhamer of Toronto.

Churchill friends extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. Berwick of Hamilton, also Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLean, Ballinacree, who celebrated the double wedding day's 50th anniversary on Saturday, February 11 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McLean, sixth line, Erin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Turner of North Bay spent last week with their son Norman and wife and family. While here they attended the surprise party for their eldest daughter, Mrs. Thomas Gadd, and her husband and family of Georgetown who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in Toronto. Members of the family were present from Kemptonville, Cobourg, Port Credit, Limehouse and Acton.

Mr. Robert Dawson of Chatham, also Miss Karen Widdfield of Waterloo, visited on Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur.

Word has arrived of the death of Howard MacArthur of Erin. We extend the sympathy of this community to his sister, Mrs. R. L. Davidson, also his niece Mrs. W. Thompson and the rest of his family.

Mrs. W. McIntyre to lead Ladies' Aid during centennial

The first meeting for centennial year of Knox Ladies' Aid was held at the church on Tuesday afternoon January 31. Mrs. A. J. Buchanan convenor of the month, presided and led in a timely worship service with the singing of a hymn appropriate for the new year.

After many years of untiring service as leaders or co-leaders of this active group, both Mrs. McCutcheon and Mrs. McPherson wished to be relieved of this responsibility.

Mrs. William McIntyre, who has not been too long associated with the group, but has proven her willingness to work and does so cheerfully, was invited to be the new leader. All were very happy when she consented to do her best.

The rest of the officers were left as before with a monthly convenor to assist the president.

The business of the month included reports by the secretary and many thank you notes received for remembrances at the Christmas season, making members feel the little extra thought at Christmas time to the shut-ins is really appreciated.

A letter and a gift in appreciation was received from the family of the late Lachlan McMillan. The secretary was to reply to this.

Mrs. J. Dennis gave the financial report in detail of the many activities during the past year. The many things accomplished included dinners and weddings catered for congregational supper, improvements at the manse and church, with an encouraging financial statement and a commendable balance in the bank.

Gwen Lauder Acton winner Lion's peace essay contest

Gwen Lauder, a student in journalism at Ryerson, was the winner of first prize in Acton Lions peace essay contest.

The result of the contest was announced at the regular dinner meeting of the club on Monday at the Station Hotel. Gwen's essay will be entered in the zone finals. She will receive her \$25 prize for winning the Acton contest at a future meeting when the Lions hope she will read her essay to them.

Judges in the contest were teachers from Acton district high school. Leo Murray Harrison, program chairman, announced the next meeting will have Eddie Bush, coach of the Hamilton Red Wings of the J. A. hockey circuit, as guest speaker. The juvenile hockey team will also be guests of the Lions as well as Jim Kinky of the O.M.H.A. Films of Lion Al Lauder's

trip to Montreal, Quebec and the maritime provinces was the highlight of the meeting. Lion Al's reports on counts of his trip and films of the Lions trip were shown and a convention of Catharines drew a big amount of applause. He was thanked by Lion Pete Papillon.

Lion chief Dave Hunter awarded an invitation for the Y's Men's club to attend the meeting on Thursday, February 9. The invitation was warmly accepted.

Tall Twister Neil wearing a button left away from the last Cassius Clay fight proclaiming he was the "great" one, extracted his usual bit of fines.

Lion Murray Harrison said he was in a desert wasteland when only one serving, instead of the usual three, plates of lemon pie ended up in his place, but he survived.

Commission hires Herb Ritchie will rebuild line on Queen St.

Herb Ritchie, Crescent St. Acton, was selected from five applicants for the position of general utility man with the Acton Hydro Commission at its meeting Thursday night in the brand new hydro building.

An on-the-spot interview with Mr. Ritchie by hydro commission members after he was called on the basis of his excellent qualifications, settled the position to the satisfaction of both parties.

Mr. Ritchie will start his new job on March 1st at the salary of \$72.80 per 40 hour week. He also qualifies for all fringe benefits extended to town employees. His duties will include acting as janitor, groundsman, washing trucks and as a spare worker with hydro workers during the summer, replacing part time help usually hired in the peak season.

Wayne McMullen and Harold Denny, representing Western Insurance Co., received insurance requirements for the new hydro building from constructioners. Mr. McMullen advised the commission they should insure from 80 to 90 per cent of the building's value. The policy comes up for renewal every three years.

The new building is presently covered by a program in force until the building is finished.

The commission authorized a promotion campaign in the Free Press to the amount of \$561, which with discount amounts to \$504.90, 40% of which is paid by Ontario Hydro.

Superintendent Doug Nelson in his report, recommended the hydro lines on Queen St. from the substation to Campbellville Rd. be rebuilt with extra heavy wire since demand would increase as the area was built up.

Inadequacy of the present wiring was demonstrated after the recent black-out when the sudden demand created a new wire problem.

The commission authorized the superintendent to rebuild the line and to make necessary arrangements for ordering the wire.

"None of us like to throw out extra dollars but it is necessary," chairman Ted Tyler told the superintendent about the heavy wire, which runs much more expensive than the ordinary lines.

The Superintendent reported the new building was rising into shape with most of the lighting done. Furniture for some of the rooms is still in order.

When it was reported there was a "humming bird" by the post office the superintendent agreed the noisy mercury vapor-light needed a new ballast and he would look into it.

Accounts amounting to \$29,194.56 were passed for payment.

The commission adjourned, then took a tour of the new building, pointing out highlights for the press.

Chairman Ted Tyler presided with commissioners Oetle Brown, Doug Dewilins, W. McEachern, Mayor Daby, superintendent D. Mason and H. Hurst, acting as secretary for Mrs. Urquhart.

Battery taken

A theft or perhaps a prank caused the loss of a battery taken from the 1964 Chrysler owned by Don McIntyre behind IGA Store. The incident was reported to police Friday, Feb. 10.

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LAMES OF THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED church held a baking sale at St. James' South on Friday morning which netted \$100 for the Retarded Children. Trudy Hofstede, left, and Alice Brown are shown with the few items left when the Free Press photo-grapher arrived. Jan De Vries also assisted. Prizes of a \$100 special draw was won by Mrs. McKinnon, 33 Campbell St.

Campbellville man killed in collision

A Campbellville area man, 49-year-old Tom Baker became North Hamilton's second traffic fatality of the year Saturday evening.

The R.C. Campbellville man was killed early in the evening when his car met another motorist who had stopped a knot on the Second Line of Nantawarwa, just south of Five Sideroad.

Police said the sides of the road were slick by the blowing snow, forcing motorists to keep to the centre of the road. Larry William Holmes of the same address, aged 38, was the driver of the second car. He suffered facial cuts. Both cars received \$500 damage, police said.

The Baker vehicle was northbound on the road while Mr. Holmes' car was travelling south.

Mr. Baker operated an antique business at Orton before moving to Campbellville recently. He worked as a salesman for G. Alec Johnson Real Estate in Acton.

Just a week earlier, on Saturday evening, February 4, a young Glen Williams man was killed in a head-on collision on Highway 7 at the Silvercreek.

This accident happened when another car slid out of control on the slush-covered road and rammed the victim's car. Six persons were injured in this fatality.

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