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Bill Cook has graduated from the School of Forestry at Dorset, and will be doing research at the University of Toronto. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cook, Churchill Road.

--Happy New Year everybody!

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FIVE SIDEROAD CROSSING EAST OF HIGHWAY 25 WHERE TEENAGERS DIED ON WEEKEND

Tragic train-car crash claims two young lives

A Christmas Eve tragedy took the lives of Brenda Phelps, 16 and Michael Wood, 18, when the car they were driving was in collision with a southbound freight train on Five Sideroad just north of Milton.

The car was believed travelling west on the Esquesing Township sideroad when the accident occurred at about 5 p.m. December 24 at the former Mansewood station. The unprotected crossing, on the main line of the C.N.R. that by-passes Milton, is marked with a wooden cross arm sign.

Brenda was a grade 11 student at Milton District High school, active in athletics and described as a good student. She had served on the staff of the high school year book. She is survived by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Mel Phelps, 398 Maplewood Cres. and sisters Claudette, Gwyneth, Darlene and a brother, John.

Mike was a grade 13 student, referred to by the school staff as a good all round student. In grade 11 he received the history



Brenda Phelps



Michael Wood

award and in 1966 he represented the school on the annual Rotary Club Adventure in Citizenship trip to Ottawa. He was active in athletics, playing on the football and basketball teams and serving as president of the High School Curling Club. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, 340 Ontario St. and his sister Barbara Joan.

Funeral service will be held today (Wednesday) for Michael Wood at 1:30 p.m. and for Brenda Phelps at 3 p.m. from the McKerster Funeral Home. Interments will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

CHURCHILL

Sunday school concert at Churchill on Friday

by Mrs. R.F. McArthur
The Churchill reporter and community friends extend seasons' greetings and a happy and prosperous New Year to the editor and staff of the Acton Free Press.

The Churchill Sunday School concert was fairly well attended on Friday evening. Mr. Bob Korr was chairman when a varied program was enjoyed.

They were divided into kindergarten, primary and junior classes, each doing their part well. A number of carols were sung by everyone. All journeyed to the basement for an evening of fun. Santa arrived in time to greet the children and present gifts and a treat to all. Lunch concluded a good night which the children will remember.

Mrs. John Neer and Glen spent last Friday with her mother in Shelburne.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binno attended the wedding of their

niece, Glenda Lynn Best to Mr. Brian Davies who were married in Ferndale church in Peterborough on Friday evening, and also visited with Mrs. R. Weir of Peterborough.

Churchill friends will be pleased to learn Mr. Elton Cole who has been in Guelph General Hospital for nearly two weeks got home in time for Christmas and is convalescing with the family for Christmas.

Mr. Ward Hamilton and son, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hamilton of Georgetown and wee Mark and Amy Lynn visited with Ward's father, Mr. A. Hamilton, in Scarborough on Sunday.

Neighbors and friends will be sorry to hear Mr. Albert Smith had the misfortune to break his arm near the elbow while digging out in the grove near their house. He was taken to Guelph for X-rays and returned home and is having treatment on it.

BALLINAFAD

Santa has 125 bags of candy for youngsters at concert

by Mrs. R. McEnery
A full house attended the Christmas concert held in Ballinafad community Centre on Friday night and enjoyed a fine program. Santa handed out some 125 bags of candy to the children, Mr. Richard Shortill was M. C. for the evening.

The McEnery families received

ed the sad news of the passing of their cousin Mrs. Elgin Sodan (Margaret Graham) in Orangeville Hospital. Funeral was held on Monday.

We are pleased to report Mrs. Norman Sinclair is doing nicely following her operation in Georgetown Hospital.

G. ALEC JOHNSON AND STAFF

LIMEHOUSE

Christmas church service

by Mrs. A. Benton

The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. A.W. Benton the evening of December 14 with 11 attending and vice-president, Mrs. Roughley in the chair. Scripture was read by Mrs. Bert Benton and Mrs. Roughley led in prayer. In following the Glad Tidings Christmas program readers with the chairman included Mesdames Bert Benton, Sanford, Patterson and G. Scott.

Each lady present read a Christmas poem or story. Text word "Joy" was answered in a verse of Scripture. The treasurer reported \$149.10 had been sent to the General Fund, \$14.50 to the Supply fund and one life membership costing \$25.00 was presented. We had nine paid members and two home helpers.

Officers for 1968 will be: Pres. Mrs. W. Mitchell; vice-pres. Mrs. Roughley; Sec'y Mrs. A.W. Benton; Treasurer Mrs. A.C. Patterson.

Glad Tidings Mrs. Kirkpatrick; Literature Mrs. Gisby; Home Helpers Mrs. Mitchell; Supply Mrs. Patterson; Welcome & Welfare Mrs. Patterson. The hostess served lunch

afterwards. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

The Young Peoples group arranged the Christmas service on Sunday evening at Limehouse Presbyterian Church. Teddy Brown and Robbie Roughley conducted the service and Rev. F.N. Young preached the sermon, "The Mother of Our Lord". Mrs. Bert Benton read a children's story, "The Gift of Joram." The choir led by Mrs. Bert Benton and accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Roughley sang three anthems, Misses Betty Ann and Mary Lou Brown taking a duet in one. A good number enjoyed the well conducted service.

Mr. David Roughley was home from Toronto for a few days over Christmas.

Mr. Lorne Noble of Naughton and Miss Kaye Noble of Hamilton were among visitors with the Piehls, Nobles and Merediths.

Mr. & Mrs. A.C. Patterson and Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Henry celebrated Christmas on Sunday with Mrs. S. Smith at Weston.

We wish the editor and staff and readers of the Acton Free Press a Happy Prosperous New Year.

Donations replace exchange of gifts at Greenock W.I.

Miss Elva Pearen was hostess for the December meeting of the Greenock W.I. Several visitors were present, including the girls of the local 4-H Homemaking Club. Joy to the World was sung to open the meeting and the Nativity story was read by the hostess. Instead of the usual Christmas gift exchange a 50 cents donation by each member was made and as a result \$7.50 is being sent to aid in work for mentally retarded adults of our county.

During the business period conducted by President Mrs. G. Leslie, several thank-you notes for cards and flowers were read. A cash donation will be made to the Victorian Order of Nurses. A woolen blanket is being sent to a family whose home was destroyed by fire recently. Members also offered donations of food and clothing and other household articles.

As usual, boxes of fruit are being sent to local shut-ins. It was decided to sell tickets for a lucky draw on a beautiful Centennial Quilt. Proceeds from a recent sale were gratifying.

The members of the 4-H Homemaking Club were introduced by Club leader Mrs. J. McCulloch. Each girl was wearing the wool skirt and waist or jumper which she had made and told a few facts about the costume. The girls and their leaders are to be congratulated on the excellent results obtained through this project Working With Wool.

Norma Leslie thanked the leaders and presented Mrs. McCulloch

and Miss Pearen with gifts of jewelry from girls in appreciation for their help.

Barbara Gates played several numbers on the guitar.

Program convener, Mrs. Ralph Sinclair introduced her friend Mrs. Barbara McKinnon who demonstrated beautiful hand made Christmas decorations. Using much ingenuity, her clever fingers fashioned wall hangings, door decorations, mantel and table pieces which were inexpensive but very professional looking and attractive. She inspired all to attempt to make some of their own decorations for Christmas.

Mrs. McCulloch thanked Mrs. McKinnon for coming with her demonstration.

Christmas carols were sung and recorded music added to the enjoyment of the evening. Mrs. Sinclair conducted a contest on Christmas Mix-Ups, which was won by Mrs. G. Wallace, and Mrs. Ralph McKeown won a contest of a brand name picture contest.

Mrs. J. McCulloch invited the ladies to her new home in Acton for the January meeting.

Following the singing of a Christmas carol to close the meeting, a bountiful and delicious pot luck supper was enjoyed by all. On behalf of those present, Mrs. A. Winter thanked the hostess for opening her home and also the conveners for an interesting evening.

Mrs. Agar wins dog

Mrs. Winnifred Agar was the lucky winner of the large plush dog in a draw for Christmas shoppers at Symon Hardware Saturday afternoon.

Mayor Les Duby drew the winning ticket from a container filled with coupons filled out by those who shopped at the store. The vivid pink dog, a trifle too large for anyone's stocking, was an attraction for shoppers. Several were in the store to see who would be the draw winner.

Two languages at joint meeting

On Wednesday evening of last week, both Dutch and English groups of the Ladies' Society of the Christian Reformed church held their joint Christmas meeting.

The program was partly in English and partly in Dutch, and was followed by a special Christmas lunch.

With Big Al

Joyce and Jack Carpenter's singing and dancing pupils appeared on Big Al's television show last Wednesday afternoon. They just performed the singing part of their repertoire with several carols. They're invited back to dance early in the New Year.

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