

Report increase in members, donations annual meeting Eden Mills church

Eden Mills United Church held its annual congregational meeting on Wednesday night with a good attendance. Rev. Russell Finlay opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of last year's meeting was read by the secretary Ed. Parker.

Auditors Mr. Elmer Milton and Mr. Peter James reported all books in order.

The report of session was given by Howard James, showing an increase in members. The treasurer's report was given by N.S. Marshall, showing an increase in envelope donations and with the increase in expenses the books were balanced with some credit.

The United Church Women's report was given by Mrs. Ralph Thompson. A very rewarding year with special speakers, a membership of 17 and an average attendance of 10. A tea and bazaar was held and two boxes of used clothing were packed and sent to the Toronto depot.

The J.L.C.W. treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Elmer Milton for Mrs. Doug Beattie. Donations were given to several organizations and the books were balanced with a good credit.

The Sunday School report was

given by Mrs. Ed. Parker showing an attendance of 37. The senior members were in charge of the church service for Youth Sunday. In October 37 members including four junior teachers received attendance awards at a church service. A very successful corn roast was enjoyed by children, parents and members.

An excellent Christmas concert was held with each teacher being responsible for one or two numbers. A special Nativity Dialogue was put on by Mrs. Don McAlpine's Junior Class. Musical numbers by Margaret James, piano; Philip Shrive, banjo; Robert Wardle, guitar; and Ed. Watson, organ. Mr. George Bruce as Santa Claus had gifts for all the children.

The treasurer's report of the Sunday School showed a good credit balance.

The Missionary and Maintenance report was given by Mrs. Ralph Thompson, with donations from the Church and Sunday School about the same as last year.

The Special Building Fund report was given by Tom Vos, and reported an increasing satisfaction. It is anticipated it will fulfill the need in the future.

Choir report was given by Mr. H. James. The choir has been very faithful. Their selection of music has given spiritual guidance to the services.

Howard James gave the report

of the Nominating committee as follows:

Elders: Howard James and Edward Parker re-elected, Elmer Milton and Ralph Thompson. Stewards: N.S. Marshall, Ben Saulnier, Harold Tomlinson re-instated, Robert Wardle and Edwin Watson.

Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Ralph Thompson; Assistant, Mrs. Ed. Parker; Organist, Ed. Watson.

Missionary and Maintenance Secretary, Mrs. Ralph Thompson.

Auditors: Harold Tomlinson and Ed. Parker.

Community Club representative, Mr. Tom Vos.

The nominating report was accepted.

It was moved by Mrs. Ed. Parker that our church remain open on the anniversary Sundays of Arkell and Ebenezer with the Session to arrange for a speaker, Seconded by Howard James, Carried.

It was moved by N. S. Marshall that the Observer Every Family Plan be managed by the church secretary, Seconded by Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Carried.

Moved by Mrs. R. Thompson that the Christian Education Committee contact the Presbytery congregation regarding a joint Bible School in the month of August. Seconded by Tom Vos, Carried.

Refreshments were served by the ladies and a social half hour spent after the meeting adjourned.

CHURCHILL

"The one that got away" best fish story of trip

By Mrs. R. F. McArthur

On Sunday at Churchill Church Mr. Cross of Emmanuel College, Toronto, was guest speaker assisted by Mr. Coats and Mr. Scott of Acton Trinity Church. Those who were present enjoyed the service. Sorry there were not more out owing to the weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Damm returned home on Saturday after having spent a sunny two weeks on the Gulf of Mexico in Florida. They report that the 70 degree temperature was a real treat and helped Mr. Damm recuperate after his stay in Guelph Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr attended the Ontario County Junior Farmers Banquet at Greenbank where Pat was guest speaker on January 20. On Thursday January 25, they attended the Soil Crop Improvement Association Banquet held in King Edward Hotel, Toronto, and on Saturday they attended the Junior Farmers Kempville Conference, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Barton MacLean in Napanee on their way home.

Fish was on the menu for the Turner and Doany families this week following a successful ice fishing trip to Lake Nipissing. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Denny and Norman Turner of this district, Stanley and Steven Turner of Guelph were weekend guests with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Turner of North Bay. Their catch, mostly pickerel also included two whitefish and one large Ling fish.

On their return their talk centered chiefly on the one that got away - a huge sturgeon hooked in the mouth by Vera Denny and at the same time in the tail by Norman Turner at an other hole over night fast away! Too large to be drawn through either hole the big fish eyesawed back and forth a few moments before struggling free.

Mr. Ken Knox of Woodstock visited on the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr.

Mrs. Mattie McEachern of Toronto also, Mr. and Mrs. Ron McEachern and Sharon of Orangeville visited on the weekend at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dobble and Garry are moving from Acton to their new farm home this week. A new house is near completion replacing the one destroyed by fire.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Williamson and Mrs. Anne Burns attended the funeral of Mrs. Burns' nephew, Mr. Everson Jolly, in Toronto on Thursday.

Also on Friday night they attended the funeral service of Mrs. Phillips, mother of Mrs. Whitlock, both of Stroudville. Interment was in Sardinia on Saturday.

The secret of contentment is knowing how to enjoy what you have, and being able to lose all desire for things beyond your reach.

OSPRINGE

Ladies' Aid holds elections Mrs. E. Fisher president

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Moore, 3rd Line, in the passing of the latter's mother, Mrs. Alice Bougourd, of Hamilton, last week.

Mrs. K. Klooster spent a couple of days at the home of her son, Slap, 1st Line, while her daughter-in-law was a patient in Guelph hospital for tests and treatment.

Master Greg Millson of Guelph spent the weekend with Mrs. M. Jackson.

Miss Gloria Walker, of Belfontain spent the weekend with the Lundquist family in the village.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Pankrats, 1st Line. The roll call was answered by the paying of dues; after hearing the various reports it was agreed 1967 had been a busy and rewarding year.

Mrs. Byron Bruce had charge of the Devotional, "Ring out the old."

Officers elected for the new year include: president Mrs. E. Fisher, vice-president Mrs. G. Jackson, secretary-treasurer Mrs. H. Pankrats, program convener Mrs. G. Aitken, lunch convener Mrs. E. Clarke.

Following the benediction Mrs. K. Fisher and Mrs. B. Clarke assisted the hostess in serving refreshments.

News of the district

MILTON

An ambitious program to purchase over \$500,000 worth of valuable conservation properties will be launched in the near future by the Halton Region Conservation Authority. Included in the proposed acquisition is a 425-acre parcel that takes in Crawford Lake, a privately-owned body of water south of Campbellville which officials believe to be fed by an underground river. The other two properties to be acquired include a bluff on the escarpment south of the Kelsco Conservation Area which overlooks the 450-acre park and a property on the escarpment in North Burlington's Mount Nemo area. Authority members have been anxious to preserve the Crawford Lake property for several years, and presently hold an option on the land. The additional property in the 425-acre parcel would connect the lake with the nearby Rattlesnake Point Conservation Area.

Milton's \$10,280,774 assessment is divided at 64.85 per cent residential and 35.35 per cent commercial-industrial, according to a report to Milton Council by Assessor John Charlton. For the 1968 tax levy a mill will raise \$10,280,77, an increase of \$1,613,48 over last year. Assessment increased during the year by \$161,348, with commercial assessment rising faster than residential. For every one of the town's 6,421 population the assessment equals \$1,601. Actual population is 6,670 but 249 of those are residents of Halton Centennial Manor and so not included in the per capita assessment breakdown.

GEORGETOWN

After an unsuccessful attempt to act as his own lawyer in court, a Georgetown man still does not know whether the town's dog by-law has any teeth in it. The man had a private complaint about his neighbor's dog, which he alleged is running at large, waking him up at night, using his lawn for a public washroom and interfering with the garbage. Previous pleas to the dog control officer and police failed so the man brought the case to court to test the by-law.

Magistrate Black dismissed the charge, commenting he could not register a conviction without evidence a layman is not qualified to present, such as the identity of the dog and proof of the exact terms of the by-law. But since the dismissal was only for the one incident the man was advised to consult Georgetown's attorney so he could lay another charge on another incident.

Georgetown council may attempt to levy a parking fee on the Gray Coach buses which use two sides of Main St. N. for bus stopping areas. However, they will proceed with caution on any proposal, remembering the same situation a few years ago when attempts to keep the buses off the main business section resulted in droves of people invading the council chambers to complain. Council had to reverse the decision to move the buses. Mayor Gibbons thought the bus people should pay but he opposed them using the Main St. at all, preferring to shunt them to an off-street parking lot.

FERGUS

Fergus, much like Acton, finds prosperity doesn't always work to the town's advantage - especially when the town wants to be considered for government grants. Fergus was turned down by the Ontario Development Corporation as being in need of the province's Equalized Opportunity for Industry scheme. The plan provides for the province to make what amounts to outright grants to industry of up to a third of the cost of their new buildings and equipment if they will locate in certain designated areas. Elora, Harriston, Listowel and Mount Forest are included in the plan and Fergus council felt since they were in the same area they also would be eligible.

Editorially, the Fergus News Record takes to task members of Wellington County Council for not electing Fergus Reeve W. K. Denny to the warden's chair. Fergus has had only one warden in the county's 113 year history. Nobody seems to be able to give a reason for the famine here, says the News Record. The only explanation that seems to fit is jealousy. The majority of county council, the editorial continues, come from rural municipalities smaller than Fergus. These representatives just don't seem to want anyone from Fergus to get credit for anything. It's almost a Keep Fergus Down attitude. The editorial concludes, however, that anything can be expected from county council. It's like Murphy's law - if anything can go wrong, it will!

ERIN

Thieves broke into the Erin branch of the U.C.O. Co-operative Wednesday night, January 17, and escaped with \$30 in cash, a number of flashlights and other small items of merchandise. Entry was gained into the building by breaking one of the rear windows of the mill. The office was ransacked in an apparent search for cash. The break-in was discovered by Co-op employees Thursday morning when officers of the O.P.F. were called to investigate.

A highlight of the Erin Men's Curling Club open bonspiel was an "eight ends", a rare happening in the roarin' game. It was called up by an Orangeville rink.

EDEN MILLS

Water in church basement new dishes ladies' project

By Mrs. R. Wright

Opening with Hymn 607 Mrs. Garnet MacDougall conducted the W.M.S. of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church Monday afternoon with Mrs. Beryl Wright as hostess. Scripture was read by Mrs. C. Ramsey followed by prayer.

Reports from the secretary and treasurer were given and approved. Roll call was answered with suggestions for the year's work. The ladies were reminded of the World's Day of Prayer in Eden Mills United Church, March 1. Mrs. Fran Gilbertson favored with a reading entitled The Symbol of Time and one by Mrs. W. Lasby entitled Speak to Strangers.

Mrs. G. MacDougall closed with prayer.

"Strange and Wonderful" was the title of the poem read by Mrs. Beryl Wright to open the Ladies' Aid meeting.

After singing Hymn 607 the secretary and treasurer gave their reports and many Thank You letters and cards were read. Roll call was answered with suggestions for the Year's work and the ladies are going to be kept busy.

Old business was then attended to.

First suggestion will be a "Come as you are" supper in March the first project will be the water installed in the church kitchen and a new set of dishes will be the next one.

Mrs. Joan Chamberlain favored with a reading Do Not Judge

EDEN MILLS

Girl Guides start first aid course

By Mrs. R. Wright

The Girl Guides met in Eden Mills Community Hall on Monday evening to start an eight week course on First Aid under the guidance of St. John's Ambulance from Acton.

The U.C.W. of Eden Mills United Church was hosted by Mrs. Ralph Thompson on Tuesday evening.

The Devotions were taken by Mrs. Millson followed by prayer. The Theme was the word faith.

The year's work was planned and a hearty vote of thanks went to Mrs. Thompson for the use of her home.

Refreshments were served.

COME AND HEAR



EVANGELIST AND MRS. EUGENE JOHNSON

Rev. Johnson will be speaking on pertinent current subjects at Evangelical Pentecostal Tabernacle, 33 Churchill Rd. N.

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