

Pageant, variety program presented by St. Alban's church school Sunday

Sunday evening the church school of St. Alban's presented a pageant incorporating the Nativity story and the little-known legend of Artaban, the mysterious fourth Wise Man. The play was acted in pantomime from the narration of Dave Hunter.

The parts of the four Wise Men were played by Mike Mitchell, Cliff Creasey, Patsy Storey and Sherry Phillips. Barbara Ann Turkosz played the servant.

In the second scene, Diane Buckman was Mary, Kevin Broostad Joseph, Passers by were Susan Muckie, Darcy Mitchell, Vaughan Cole and Tammy Schonnop.

Debbie Turkosz had the part of an old man, and the shepherds were Kim Wood, Sandy Chamberlain, Dianne Drysdale and Brenda Woodman.

The pageant was written and directed by John Last. He was assisted by Mrs. D. Muckie and Dave Hunter.

Valerie Mitchell introduced the second half of the evening's program, a talent show, and did a modern jazz dance. Muriel Holmes and Ricky Rocher sang a duet.

Next came a tap dance from the Barr sisters, Debbie and Cindy. The kindergarten pupils broke in protesting against being forgotten, and carrying placards in union strikers' style. They sang Jingle Bells as a group and Vicky Bristow sang Watch It as a solo.

Taking part in a three-act play, Charlie Brown's Christmas, by Pat Last's class were Ricky Rocher as Charlie Brown; Valerie Mitchell as Lucy; Jimmy Lynch as Snoopy; Dorothy

Newton as Linus and Beth McCutcheon as Schroeder.

The program continued with a tap dance by Kathy and Debbie Turkosz, a Japanese dance by the Turkosz sisters; accordion solos by Jean Elliott and Diane Buckman; Spanish guitar solos by Sharon Phillips; class two singing Away in a Manger assisted by teacher's aide Debbie Schonnop and Leslie Davison from the junior choir; Debbie Schonnop and Leslie Davison singing Kiss Me with modern dance background by younger girls; solos by Muriel Holmes, solos by Sharmaine Woodman, and a baby carriage skit.

A jazz combo played, with Peter Hargrave on drums, Allan Bridgen and Bill Gentles on guitars.

Santa Claus made his appearance to climax the program, with candies and oranges for all.



* CAST OF CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH



JAZZ COMBO AT ST. ALBAN'S PROGRAM

Rev. Bruce Eaton inducted Orillia associate minister

The Rev. Bruce Eaton was inducted as associate minister of St. Paul's United Church, Orillia, Sunday evening, December 8.

He is the son of Mrs. Fawcett Eaton of Acton and the late Mr. Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Eaton and their five children recently returned from five and a half years in India, and had been living at Campbellville.

An old friendship was renewed with this appointment. Mr. Eaton attended Queen's University in Kingston from 1958 to 1962 with Rev. Victor Dell, the senior minister at the church.

Born in Carlisle, Mr. Eaton spent two years as a student minister near Kaladar, Ontario, while attending Queens. A variety of jobs before he travelled as a technical aid missionary in India, afforded him experience, ranging from farming to experimental work in printed circuitry for television sets.

In India, he supervised the drilling of wells for drinking water and irrigation purposes and felt that especially during the past two years he had accomplished something.

He travelled all over India with a mobile drilling rig and taught

the local men how to operate it. Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett Eaton visited him there for some time and assisted him in his work.

He and his wife Jean have five children, Gregory 11, Kimberly 10, Richard 8, Elizabeth 7 and Andrew 2.

Recently he spoke on his work at the United church here.

Christmas skit meeting highlight

A pot luck supper and a Christmas skit highlighted the joint meeting of both units of the United Church Women Wednesday of last week. About 40 spent the evening together.

Taking part in the timely skit on the work and preparations that preceded Christmas were Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. Cranston Griese, Mrs. Ron Saunders, Mrs. Ken Allen, Mrs. George Mustelle, Mrs. Frank Freeman and Mrs. John Trotter. President Mrs. G. W. McKenzie welcomed everyone and led in devotions. Mrs. A. Shoemaker said grace; and Mrs. Hugh Patterson read a poem and prayer.

During the short business meeting Mrs. L. Youngblut reported on the Santa Fair, when about \$300 was raised. The group enjoyed singing carols.

Check decorations

There's nothing like a blown fuse to darken the festive season not to mention watching firemen hose down the living room, while the Christmas tree goes up in flames.

As the Christmas shopping budget gets thinner and thinner, householders tend to ignore warning signs on lighting equipment for indoor decorations and outdoor holiday displays. The tendency is often to say, "It's good enough for another year."

"Safety should be part of everybody's holiday preparations," says Mr. G.O. Davidson, Electrical Inspection Superintendent in Niagara Region. "All wiring should be checked carefully for signs of wear, particularly that used on Christmas trees. Trees dry out quickly in homes and apartments and become real fire hazards unless watched very carefully."

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