



ALICE ST., which has been dubbed "Power St." by the hydro commission because of the unusual display of Christmas lighting, is almost as light as day when residents turn on their displays of outdoor lighting. The white houses combine with the light fall of snow, providing a brilliant effect. The hydro building across the road, always well lit, is trimmed with Christmas trees. (Staff Photo)



McArthur-Gallas wedding at Erin United Church

White chrysanthemums, pink carnations and candelabra formed the setting for the double ring ceremony when Elfi Gallas became the bride of Roy C. McArthur. The wedding took place in Erin United Church on November 16.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Gallas, R. R. 2, Acton. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred McArthur, R. R. 1, Guelph.

Officiating clergyman was Rev. George W. Howse, and the organist was Mrs. G. Aitken. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length A-line gown of peau de poiret with velvet bodice and bell sleeves, accented by a large velvet belt and how around the empire waist. A wide crocheted lace border edged the neckline, sleeves and neckline. Her headdress was a ring of velvet which held a four-layered fingertip veil of tulle edged with narrow scalloped crocheted lace, and she carried a cascade of miniature white feathered carnations with mauve chrysanthemums.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Dupont (Susan Wilson) of Calgary are home for Christmas visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Michie Patterson (Leslie Ann Doby) of Chub Lake are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Les Doby.

Mr. Jalaludin Jipelos, a student from Malaysia at the University of Guelph, is visiting Acton friends Sunday. While Christians are looking forward to Christmas, he had Saturday enjoyed with Moslem friends a feast to mark the end of Ramadan, the month of fasting.

The matron of honor wore a gown identical in style to that of the bride but for the sleeves which were short. The bodice was deep purple velvet, as was the belt and how. The skirt was mauve brocade. The bridesmaids wore similarly styled gowns but with a brocade bodice and a narrow purple velvet band around the empire waist. They carried cascades of white pom-pom chrysanthemums. Their headdresses were wedding ring bands in brocade with a tiny mauve veil over the forehead.

The bride and her maids made their own gowns, and the bride made all the headdresses.

Archie McArthur Jr., Erin, cousin of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Hyco Gallas, brother of the bride and Donald Riud, brother-in-law of the groom. Seven-year-old Randy Gallas, brother of the bride, was ring bearer.

For a reception held in the church hall, the bride's mother received wearing a wedgewood blue crepe dress, with matching lace jacket and black and white accessories. Her corsage was of white, feathered carnations.

Assisting her, the groom's mother wore a three piece grey and beige ensemble with blue and beige accessories. Her flowers were white feathered carnations.

For a honeymoon to Nashville, Tennessee, the bride donned a two-piece teal green suit, and brown and beige accessories. Her corsage was of white roses.

Out of town guests came from Guelph, Preston, Toronto, Waldemar, Georgetown, Alton, Hillsburgh, Acton and York.

Prior to her marriage the bride was honored with a joint miscellaneous shower held by Mrs. Keith Leitch and Mrs. Ward Hamilton at the home of Mrs. Leitch. Mrs. John Reid was hostess for another held at her home. Many lovely gifts were received at both showers.

McCulloch home decorated for W.I. Christmas meeting

Mrs. James McCulloch, Acton, was hostess for the Christmas meeting of the Greenock Women's Institute held Tuesday evening, December 10.

In the warmth of the glowing fire and beautiful decorations the president, Mrs. George Wallace, opened the meeting with the poem "Bells, Bells," telling the meaning of bells' messages to the people down through the years.

The beautiful Christmas carol "Silent Night" was sung followed by Mary Stewart collect repeated in unison.

Mrs. Elvio Patterson read the scripture, 2nd chapter St. Luke, followed by the Lord's prayer. Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Mrs. J. McCulloch read the financial statement in the absence of the treasurer Mrs. Hemsley.

It was decided they would remember the shut-ins and sick at Christmas with a box of fruit.

The collection taken at this meeting was to be sent to the adult group of the mentally retarded for Wellington County at Guelph.

Mrs. A. Winters expressed the pleasure of the members and friends earlier in the month when they went by bus to Stratford to see and hear the Christmas Story in pageant and song this was a beautiful presentation which all will remember.

The roll call was answered by the exchange of gifts.

Mrs. Ralph McKeown was in charge of the program.

She read the "Story of the Stars" after which she told the story of the "Night Before Christmas." Each member had contributed two words to make this old favorite very amusing.

Mrs. McKeown introduced guest speaker Mrs. Queenie Bennett from Taupari, New Zealand, who is visiting with friends in Georgetown.

She was a delightful person and told of the Women's Institute in her homeland, also the projects carried on in their community.

They were also shown how to make Christmas tree ornaments by Mrs. McKeown.

All joined in once more to sing familiar carols accompanied on

the piano by Mrs. Calvin Aitken. The National anthem followed by the Institute grace brought the program to a close.

All enjoyed a pot luck supper which was delicious.

Mrs. C. Aitken thanked the guest speaker, and Mrs. McCulloch for her home. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Elva Pearen on January 14, 1969, in the evening.

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OBITUARY

Active in church work Mrs. F. Shortill dies

Rachel Ida Robson Shortill died on Wednesday, December 11 in Georgetown Hospital. She was born July 16, 1884, at Swinton Park, Croton Township.

She was a daughter of the late Susan Hill and John Robson. She attended Orangeville High School and North Bay Teachers College. After graduation she taught school in West Garafraxa, Elora, Schreiber and Blue Mountain School in Esqueving Township.

She and Fred W. Shortill were married in November 1920. They resided at the Shortill "Homestead" farm for 37 years until retiring to their home in Ballinafad.

Always active in church and community affairs she taught in various Sunday School departments at Ballinafad United Church and took an active part in all the women's organizations of the church as long as she was able.

Mrs. Shortill is survived by her husband, Fred W. Shortill, a daughter Joanna (Mrs. Ken Ridler) of Fort William and a son Floyd on the Shortill "Homestead" Farm, R. R. 1, Georgetown and four grandchildren, Judy and Janice Ridler, Fort William and Nancy and Jean Shortill, of R. R. 1.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Kelvin Johnston of Ballinafad United Church, at the McClure Funeral Home, on December 13. Pallbearers were Fred J. Shortill, Limehouse; Robert Shortill, Guelph; J. Fred Shortill, Guelph, and John Cole, Guelph, Gordon Price, Islington and Roy Warne, Guelph.

The many beautiful flowers were carried by nephews, Douglas Hogarth, Fergus, Jesse McNery, Ballinafad; Fred Price, Mississauga; Douglas Nodwell, Guelph; Lloyd Renwick, Orangeville and a brother-in-law Harding Price, Limehouse.

Mrs. Fyer, Mrs. Creasey is to act as alternate if necessary. Readings and games were enjoyed with Mrs. Bradshaw supplying the musicals. The Rhythm Band repeated, for the rest of the club, the program of Christmas songs they had given in Georgetown at the Horticultural Society Christmas party.

Present with December birthdays were Mrs. Mooney, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cossar.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson will celebrate their 53 wedding anniversary December 21. Mr. and Mrs. L. Vickers their 65th wedding anniversary Dec. 17.

Mrs. Reed convened a delicious lunch of fruit breads, cookies, tarts and Christmas cake.

With many "Merry Christmas" wishes and wishes for "A Happy New Year" the group dispersed to meet again Jan. 7, at 2 p.m.

Robbie Buckner, a student at the University of Guelph, is spending the Christmas holidays in Jamaica with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Buckner, Miss Jean Buckner, who was ill in Oakville Hospital, was convalescing at the home in Milton of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGeachie.

Miss Margie Mackenzie is home from Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, for the holidays.

Readings, games, Rhythm Band at meeting of Golden Age Club

A good attendance was courted at the evening meeting of the Golden Age Club on December 17. Business pertaining to the annual Christmas dinner was wound up.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Browne had generously donated the ice cream again this year and there was to be no charge for the use of the Luxton Hall for that night. Both of these kind

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Muu muus and Halakahiki salad

4-H party goes Hawaiian

Girls in muu muus and leis, a feast of Hawaiian foods and a slide presentation on the beautiful scenery of Hawaii made for an interesting evening Thursday, as Halton's 4-H Homemaking Club girls staged their first Christmas dinner party in the auditorium of Halton Centennial Manor at Milton.

Girls from the county's 4-H clubs prepared the buffet dinner

using authentic Hawaiian recipes, and the feast made a big hit with the parents and special guests attending. The menu featured Poi Kau Kau, Guava Compot, Polynesian Mingle, Halakahiki Salad, Teriyakis Hawaiian, Asuki and Nui Aha Salad, plus a Hawaiian punch.

Following dinner chairman Anne Ruhl of the Hornby South club introduced special guests

Mr. and Mrs. George Readhead, the president and secretary of Halton Agricultural Society, and CBC farm broadcast reporter George Atkins and Mrs. Atkins of Bronte. Both gentlemen extended congratulations to the girls on the sumptuous dinner and wished them continued success in their homemaking programs.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Norrington of Milton, who were largely responsible for organizing the dinner and the program, were introduced by Laura Maxwell, Mrs. Norrington's two brothers are missionary priests working in Hawaii, one a doctor and the other a school teacher and they showed a series of colorful slide pictures they took on a recent visit to the island.

Mr. Norrington told the island's history from its discovery by Capt. James Cook in 1778 to annexation by United States and commented in great detail on the pretax her husband showed. She wore a muu muu purchased in Hawaii on the trip.

The Norringtons were

presented with a gift for their contribution to the evening.

Several merchandise prizes were contributed to the evening by merchants from around Halton, and Nancy Mahon drew out the winners' names. They included Mrs. Bruce Frame, Mrs. A. Seelen, Mrs. L. Coulter, Mrs. F. Ruhl, Mrs. E. Hyatt, Mrs. Muriel Nurse, Heather Hyatt, Cathy Lasby and Donna Spence.

Many of the 4-H'ers attending wore Hawaiian muu muus and all the guests were presented with leis to wear around their necks. One brave girl, from the Dublin club, wore a grass skirt.

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Holiday Store Hours

Mon., Dec. 23 - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 24 - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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