

Santa's arrival caps S.S. concert wedding, shower, white gifts in news

By Mrs. R. Wright
A wedding of interest took place Friday evening in a candle light service in Eden Mills Presbyterian Church when Brenda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ramsey, was united in marriage to Sims McPhedran, son of Mr. and Mrs. McPhedran, Speyside. Rev. D. R. Sinclair officiated.
The bride's dress was beige lace and the carried yellow roses. Her attendant Brenda Fisher was in mauve with red and white roses.
Best man was William Fisher. The reception and dinner were held at the church. Those attending were from Hornby, Kitchener, Speyside and Acton. On their return they will reside at Speyside.
The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Sinclair in the death of her

mother, Mrs. Scott at Eden House Nursing Home Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Stanley leave by plane Thursday for a three weeks' stay with their son in California, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stanley.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greenlaw, Whitby, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Wright.
Mrs. McLean Sr. was in Toronto for a few days visiting her sister, Mrs. Adiworth.
Mrs. G. Flewelling of Elton spent a few days with her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson.
Members of the Ladies' Aid enjoyed a pot luck dinner at their Christmas meeting of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church at the Lasby farm on Monday. A short business meeting followed with minutes and treasurer's reports read. The meditation was taken by Mrs. Lasby. The roll call was

answered with Christmas thoughts. Several donations were received. The ladies were reminded of the Christmas dinner to be served after the Service next Sunday and Santa Claus will distribute gifts to the children.
Verses of Scripture were read between the singing of carols around the Christmas tree. An exchange of gifts was made and Mrs. Weale won the contest of making 51 words out of Merry Christmas. Mrs. J. Gilbertson, courtesy conveier, thanked the hostess and all those taking part for making it an afternoon well spent.
Eden Mills United Church was filled to capacity Saturday evening when the Sunday School children put on their annual concert. Carol singing was led by Ralph Thompson accompanied by Ed Watson, organist.
Rev. Russell Finlay acted as chairman and welcomed everyone.
The kindergarten class with teachers Ann Vos and Barbara Marshall were gowned in white carrying lighted candles and entered singing, Away in a Manger and O Come Little Children.
A piano solo was played by Marie Parker and Kathy Thomlinson's class sang Little Children Awake and Listen. The Christmas Story was read from the Bible by Michelle Bould.
Kim Tolton's solo Hi-Lo-Hi-Hay was followed by a reading by Pauline Maude and Judy Bould's class presented a play written by Patricia Mitchell.

Greetings were expressed by the superintendent Mrs. R. Thompson with a closing poem by Janet Adair.
Santa Claus played by Randy Bould arrived to give out the gifts.
A family gathering took place this past weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Montgomery on Indian Trail in the form of a baby shower for daughter Molly of Mr. and Mrs. R. McCartney of Aris. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery were surprised when they presented them with gifts for the addition of a new family room. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ostrander, Palgrave; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Vincent, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Montgomery and Clifford, Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Montgomery and Chuck, Fergus; Almer and Lorne Montgomery, Fergus; Mr. and Mrs. R. McCartney and daughter, R. R. 2, Aris.
Communion Service was held Sunday in the United Church. Mr. Wm. Boyd, student minister, assisted Rev. Finley. The third candle for advent was lighted by Ann Mason and a poem recited. An inspiring address was given by Rev. R. Finley on gift giving. The greatest gift is love.
White Gift Sunday was held Sunday at Eden Mills Presbyterian Church. Rev. D. R. Sinclair spoke on "The Gift that endures". During the singing of a children's hymn, the little ones came forward with parcels from the congregation and laid them at the altar. They will be given to a worthy cause.

Scout Mothers banquet white gifts in report

By Mrs. R. Shortill
Tuesday evening the final Share the Wealth euchre was held. The final prizes of \$25 each went to Mrs. McPherson and to Duncan McMillan.
Twenty-four tables were prepared and ladies' prizes for the evening went to Mrs. Irene Watson and Mrs. Frank Petch with gentlemen's to Mr. Bert Davidson and Mr. Willard Britton.
Lunch with sandwiches and dessert squares and cookies, was served by the committee.
On Thursday evening the Scout Mothers held their

Christmas party in the church basement.
A tasty pot luck banquet with turkey was enjoyed by about 15 ladies. Gifts were exchanged and a sing song of Christmas songs lent a joyful note. It was hoped that more of the mothers would attend as the scouts and cubs number nearly 30.
White Gift Sunday service was this week. Proceeds are for overseas relief. The Junior Choir sang accompanied by Miss Anne Shortill.
School Choirs will be singing in Rockwood on Thursday night.

Mrs. Eileen McEnery is preparing a Christmas Concert in the hall for Friday night.
Tuesday evening the U.C.W. will have their Christmas party in the church.
The 4-11 Achievement Day was held in the Community Centre on Saturday. This event will likely be reported in full elsewhere in the paper.
One sometimes wonders just what time our young girls get to study and just to "dream" with so much going on. They certainly get very little "home time" which is regrettable. All

too soon they are grown and away from us.
We had hoped to have Ballinafad lit up with street lights for Christmas but it seems not to be. Everything was supposed to be in order.
Mr. Paul Metcalfe, who has completed his plumbing course at Hamilton, has returned to his position with Shortill Sheet Metal.
Mr. Wayne French has been serving a two week apprenticeship with Garrets Bodyshop here in Ballinafad. This is in connection with his schooling at College Heights School in Guelph.

NEWS of the district

Fletchers tour continent...

GEORGETOWN—Realizing a dream, Larry Fletcher and his wife Teresa of 136 Maple Avenue East, have left on a two year tour all over Canada, the North West Territories, United States, and Mexico.
In a house trailer which he built himself, the young couple left November 17, and at last word were in Calgary. They plan to work till spring, then head for the North West Territories and Yellowknife.
The length of their stay in any one spot depends on their mood and their finances, says Mrs. Ed Scott, Teresa's mother. Larry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Fletcher, R. R. 2, Acton.
They both worked at Northern Electric, where fellow employees gave them a royal send off.
Not content with this extended tour, they plan to cycle through Europe in another 4 or 5 years.

Oppose brick plant on Credit

CHELTONHAM—A fight is shaping up over a \$3 million plant Canada Brick plans to build near Cheltenham on the Credit River.
Chris Vanoff, who owns 140 acres next to the proposed 254-acre site, and a neighbor, David Buxton, say they are ready to fight Chinguacousy Township, whose planning board has already approved the project.
Other residents are complaining about possible pollution to the Credit River, noise and dust and the cost of rebuilding roads.
"It's zoned agricultural and estate residential and on the official plan this area is designated green belt," said Buxton. "It's inconceivable the township would allow spot zoning for industry and that the wishes of so many people can be ignored by council."

Petition opposes road "improvements"

TERRA COTTA—Terra Cotta's rustic beauty may yet be preserved despite plans by Peel County to reconstruct the winding, paved road that meanders through the hamlet, to highway specifications.
Three hundred and three people signed a petition opposing any "improvements" which would spoil the beauty of the village or destroy its scenic approaches and old buildings. Visitors to Terra Cotta Inn, the Country Gallery and Aseltine's general store, residents and people from as far away as Calgary signed the petitions.
The petition was presented to Peel County council where five of the six good roads committee members and a council member from Chinguacousy denounced any innovations which would destroy the charm of Terra Cotta.
Cedric Greenhill of the Terra Cotta Inn said, "Part of the attraction here is the unspoiled nature of the surroundings." However, the proposed road widening is expected to skirt around the inn, which stands just outside the road allowance.
Mr. Greenhill believes Sunday traffic counts were used to determine the need for road widening, but that this is not a true guide as the road is almost empty the rest of the week.
"What we're frightened of is seeing all the old buildings disappear, and money being spent on something that's inadequate from a scenic point of view," he said.
His guest book shows that visitors come from across the world to visit the inn, including Europe, the United States and all parts of Canada: "We're not just a local attraction, as our guest book plainly shows, but a tourist mecca for persons from all over the world."

Expansion in Milton...

MILTON—A resounding "yes" vote on liquor lounges and liquor with meals in Milton's Dec. 1 plebiscite will soon bring about expansion of two local business firms and a change in policy at a third.
The management of Charles Hotel, Milton Inn Hotel and the Caravan Restaurant at Milton Plaza were the three sponsors of the town's vote on "liquor by the glass" and all three firms plan to take advantage of the licences which are now available to them.
Biggest change is taking place at the Charles Hotel where one of the proprietors, Nick Chuchmach reports a \$100,000 addition to the existing facilities is nearing completion. The addition includes a dining lounge seating 55 or 60, a cocktail lounge that will seat 150, a new kitchen and a downstairs banquet hall.

Home delivery in Fergus?

FERGUS—According to the Fergus News-Record, Fergus has been placed on the list of communities which are scheduled to get home delivery postal service.
Marvin Howe, Wellington-Grey M.P., said Fergus was put on the list because the potential number of calls which would be made if a delivery system was instituted, would exceed 2,000. At present the Fergus post office has 1,350 boxes, 1,109 of which are rented. General delivery customers, plus a certain number from the rural routes would make the remainder of the 2,000.
Harry Munn, Fergus postmaster, said he has received no official word about delivery and was doubtful any moves would be started until the current postal austerity program was discontinued.
The Free Press asked Acton postmaster Gord McKeown if he had any word about Acton being on the list since numbers here were similar to Fergus. Mr. McKeown said he had received no notice and doubted very much if Fergus would be getting it also, since there were other communities with more calls who were waiting. He said that the number of calls needed now for home delivery was 2,500.

Ebenezer

Sunday concert musical treat

By Mrs. R. McLean

On Sunday evening, the junior and senior choirs gave their candlelight service, which was a musical treat. Much credit is due to the organist, Mrs. John Kitching, the choir leader, John Kitching, and the junior choir leader, Mrs. Wm. Early. Among the many lovely selections, we mention the piano and organ duet by Sae Ward and Audrey Kitching, and the solo in the original German, by Mrs. Hans Heist, "Stille Nacht." Jane Munro was soloist at the morning service.
Next Sunday night, the young people put on their Christmas play at Eden Mills Community Hall while the Sunday School concert is to be Dec. 22.
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Stanley leave Thursday to spend the holidays with their son and his wife in Redwood City, near San Francisco, in California.
Communion was observed, with Mr. Finley referring to the old legend of the king who wanted to see how much his subjects liked him. Many brought costly gifts, either to show off, or to get something from him in return. A small boy gave his most treasured

possession, a white marble, which had no intrinsic value but was his most valued possession.
Jesus never said, "Give me this or that." He said, "Come, follow Me." The wanting to do something for others makes any gift perfect.
When you tell people about something they've done well, they are overwhelmed. Appreciation is a rare thing. A Guelph policeman used to go in to say "Hello" to an old lady, who lived alone. When she died, he was much surprised to be left valuable property in her will. You may not get a reward for doing a kindness, but it will give you warmth inside.
At Christmas time, many are lonely. It makes a big difference to tell people we are thinking about them. A little girl who wanted to give her big sister a present, gave her two slips of paper on which she had written, "good for 2 dish-washings" and "good for 2 bed-makings."
The church has inspired people to give to others, as, for example, Buzra.
When we think of giving, we must go back to God's gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, and how Jesus gave His life blood—and His body for us.

Change principals Esquering schools

John Lenz was named acting principal of the Stewarttown Senior School by the Halton Board of Education Thursday.
Mr. Lenz' term will run from January to June. The present principal Ron Chatten will move to Pineview as principal and Alex Dickson, presently principal there, will return to classroom teaching in Georgetown due to ill health, Board officials explained.

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