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Blessings from Heaven in all that you do. (Prov. 28:20)

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**LOCAL NEWS**

—Just arrived! Christmas tree stands, pre-war quality, special 95c — at Goodlet's Economy Hardware.

—United Church Sunday School Christmas entertainment, Friday evening, December 19th.

—Boys' and Girls' used skates bought and traded — Richardson's Hardware, Main Street.

—St. George's Sunday School concert will be held on Friday, December 19th, at 7.30 p.m. sharp in the Sunday School rooms.

—Ask for our free demonstration of the new Hoover Vacuum Cleaner. Still available at old price — Goodlet's Economy Hardware.

—We are fighting to keep prices down, and our last four day sale before Christmas will be like a big auction sale. City prices on Christmas lines, and thousands to choose from. Blain's Hardware and 5c to \$1.00 Store, Brampton. One of Ontario's largest Hardware stores.

—The ideal gift set of 3 pyrex mixing bowls, reg. \$1.40; Special 99c — at Goodlet's Economy Hardware.

—Have your eyes examined by O. T. Walker, R.O., Optometrist, at his office over the Bell Telephone Co., Main Street, Georgetown, the second Wednesday of each month. Or you may consult O. T. Walker at his office in Brampton, Phone Georgetown 67W; Brampton 599.

—Floor polishers and vacuum cleaners for rent at Richardson's Hardware, Main Street.

—On Sunday evening, at Knox Presbyterian Church the Junior and Senior choirs will lead a service of Christmas music which will include solos, choral numbers and congregational singing of familiar Christmas Carols.

**CHURCH GROUP ELECTS OFFICERS**

On Monday, December 15th, the Daughters of the Church (St. George's) met at the home of the President Mrs. Fred McNally for the annual election of officers. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson was present and acted as chairman. The following officers were all elected by acclamation:

Honorary Pres — Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson  
President — Mrs. Ted Stigger  
Vice Pres. — Mrs. Armann  
Secretary — Mrs. Harvey Dewhurst  
Treasurer — Mrs. J. H. Chamberlain  
Assistant Chaplain — Mrs. Thomas Eason  
Wool Convener — Mrs. Steve Eason  
Sewing Convener — Mrs. Fred McNally  
Sewing Committee — Mrs. Frank Benner, Miss Marjorie Gault  
Sick Committee — Mrs. Fred Johnson

A delightful lunch was served and the meeting closed.

**SHORT STORY**

**Spikes In the Dust**

By VINCENT LUNNY

JERRY BELL gobbled up a bad-hopping grounder and tossed the ball to second base for a force play, ending an inning in the Hawks' practice game.

"That's the old pepper!" shouted Phil Weston, second baseman. "You'll be in the lineup regularly with me yet."

Bell and Weston had played together for four years in the minors, being nurtured carefully for their big league debut.

Weston made the team easily; the Hawks had not started Bell yet in a league contest. A wild Irishman named Pat O'Toole clung to the shortstop position.

Starting the next inning of the intra-club game, the Irishman went to short and it was Bell's turn to bat. He hit the first pitch solidly into right field. The next man up got a piece of the ball. A slow roller! A double play ball. Bell left first with the crack of the bat. O'Toole, covering second, leaped to take the high throw as Bell bore down.

**3 Minute Fiction**

The ball crashed into O'Toole's temple and spikes glinted in the afternoon sun. When the dust subsided, there was Bell with his leg hooked around the bag—safe!

The Irishman didn't move. He lay inert. Teammates carried O'Toole from the field and later an ambulance took him to the hospital. The trainer said he had concussion and a severed artery in the leg.

Joe Amble, brawny catcher, strode up to Bell.

"You miserable rat! You spiked him on purpose!" he rasped.

"You're crazy. Why would I do that?"

"To get into the game, of course."

THE Hawks, on a road trip, took series from the Braves, Dodgers and Giants. Now they were back at home facing the mighty Cards.

In a tight ball game the score was tied, starting the last half of the ninth. Bell's thoughts were jumbled as he sat on the bench awaiting his turn to bat. His mates hadn't spoken to him since the spiking, and with the continued silence a little knot grew in his stomach.

Weston led off the last half of the ninth with a clean single and Amble sacrificed, pushing the tying run to second. Bell started toward the plate.

"Where do you think you're going?" Selkirk signalled him to the bench.

"Please, lemme take my cut," he pleaded.

Selkirk ignored him.

"Aw, let the kid hit." The voice came from the door at the back of the dugout. O'Toole was standing there, his head swathed in bandages.

"They just let me out of the hospital," he explained. "As a favor, skipper, let the kid hit."

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The next pitch had to be good. It was . . . and Bell connected.

Selkirk's eyes twinkled. "Okay, Bell, take your cut."

THE shortstop sauntered to the plate and waited for the pitch. He worked the count to three and one.

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O'Toole led the parade to the dressing room. The big Irishman went up to Bell.

"Nice going, kid," he said.

"I thought you two guys were cutting each other's throats!" said Weston.

"We've never . . ."

The Irishman interrupted Bell. "Didn't you guys know that Bell came to visit me in the hospital after the spiking? Well, he gave me a blood transfusion which probably saved my life."

Amble's eyes flashed. "The least he could do after deliberately spiking you."

"Deliberately? Is that what you guys think?" Several players nodded. O'Toole paused. "It was a pure accident. The ball hit me on the temple. As a matter of fact it crumpled off the thumb of my glove, I fell, into Bell's spikes."

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