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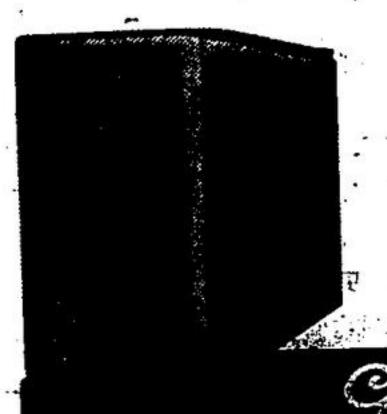
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#### Christmas Theme In Baptist Church

were given through the ministry of word and song at the services held in the Baptist Church on Sunday. At the beginning of the morning worship the children of the Sunday School presented their white gifts. The choir anthems for this service were "When the Lord of Love was Born,'. "The First Christmas Morn" and "In The Bleak Mid-"Winter."

The Rev. Alfred J. Barker brought a vivid and realistic picture of the needs of the modern world in his sermon "A Perfect Christmas." Mr. Barker chose his sermon text Matthew 2:10-11. "When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great foy, and when they were come into the house they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him, and when they had open-a ed their treasures they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense and myrrh." Here we see all the elements of a perfect Christmas. (1) Joy: When the Wise Men beheld the star they were filled with Joy because it stood for symbol of the birth of the Messiah, the Saviour of the World; the Hope,

#### MERCANTILE LEAGUE SENIOR HOCKEY

The Avro Commuters, a very classy hockey team were shot down last Sunday afternoon by heavy ack-ack fire sent up by Wilson's Warriors. The Warriors, filled with the desire to win came back from a one-goal deficit to score 2 to 1 in the game of the year up to

Coach 'Jimmy Sargent had his lads in high gear all the way and Morris, who was a standout through out for the Warriors scored the winner. Both teams, well packed with talent played fast, exciting hockey all the way through. Only one penalty was handed out during the game and that went to Zeke McCandless of Commuters but Warriors did not capitalize on the one man advantage. For two periods of scoreless hockey both goalkeepers Dillon and Maltby were called upon to make some clever saves and it wasn't till early in the 3rd period, Kenny Adamson of Commuters beat Maltby on a close-in play.

Alexander who also was a prominent figure for Warriors tied it a few minutes later; then Morris the pay-off man knocked in the winning counter for his club. A large crowd was on hand and treated to a very thrilling last few minutes of hockey. Coach Harv Chappel put four forwards on then with a minute and thirty-two seconds to go he pulled Dillon in favour of a 6th forward but time ran out and Warriors chalked up their 5th straight win. Morris, Alexander, Maltby and Jarvie were top men for Warriors, while Hamilton, Baxter and Knight were tops for Commuters.

Combines 1 - Smith & Stone 1 For two periods the Combines and Smith & Stone went scoreless with the accent on close checking. Sharkey potted a quiet goal for Smith and Stone to start the 3rd period off and from then on it was a fast affair. Both goalkeepers King and Jones made some break-taking saves on breakaways in that final frame and drew applause time and again from the fans. The Combines evened the score on a goal by B. Heaton who played very well for his team.

Bud Haines was also a star for Combines while Sharkey and Freestone went well for Smith & Stone. Burns Transport 8 - Hornby 1

The transport men opened up with a heavy barrage last Sunday to trim the Hornby boys 8-1. Ev Wilson the old smoothie, making the first start this year, introduced himself by scoring 2 goals. Clare Burns was the big gun with 2 goals and 1 assist. Mike George turned in a fine effort with 2 goals and 1 assist. Ormie Carter and Alva Grieve got one aplece. Dunc Robinson played very well, for Hornby and scored their only goal. Two or three good players could make a big difference in the Hornby team as they have some pretty fair talent already. Bill Thompson, Graham Gillies, Garn Howden, Russ Fendley, Gord Lee and Smith are are ail going well, but a couple of strong reserves would put them in a contending position.

Coach George Chaplin brought back Ev. Wilson to play for Burns this year and he smartly scored 2

The Combines have succeeded in signing Scotty Patterson as coach of their club.

Graham Gillies of the Hornby club is leading scorer with 10 points. Dillon of Commuters has only allowed 8 goals in 5 games for an average of 1.60 to top the goalies.

Henry's Clothing Store has put up an award to be given each week to the outstanding player.

Bill Morris of Wilson's Warriors received it for scoring the winning goal in their 2-1 win over Commuters last Sunday and for his all around play.

of the World. (2) Worship: This is the silence of beholding, we should at all times kneel in worship and adoration until something of his beauty and holiness comes into our hearts. (3) Service: We give our service through our time, talents and gifts. The Wise Men gave costly gifts because they were radiantly happy, and God calls us to open the caskets of our lives through our gifts to be given after we have first worshipped Him. (4) Obedience: The modern world shrinks from this word. Each time we worship God we should be different and there is no real joy without obedience in our lives, We minst obey the voice of God if we desire a Perfect Christmas.

The singing of familiar carols opened the dandlelight service held in evening. The film "Emmanuel" was shown with Mr. W. Townend acting as projectionist and Mr. I Waltams as narratory During this presentation, the choir under the direction of Mrs. W. Townend provided the following selections: "Come, O Come Emmanuel", choir; "Of the Pather's Love Begotten, A. J. Barker; "Behold a Virgin" Mrs. D. Hancock; "Magnificat," Mrs. N. Trafford; "O Little Town of Bethlehem;" Choir; "No Room in, the Inn," D. Cole; "Tho' Poor be \the Chamber," D. Peck; "Awake Were They Only," Choir; "Poverty," Choir; "What Child is This," Mesdames N. Trafford, R. Buttrey; "Unto

Shine," Choir. The boft glow of candles, the nativity scene, Christmas decorations and memorial baskets of flowers adorned the sanctuary.

Us a Son is Born", Choir; "Arise

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