



TWIN SISTERS Joan (left), and Janice Wright helped set up Ballinacred Lazy Daisies' attractive display at Saturday's 4-H Achievement Day in Stewarttown.



DISPLAYS by Ashgrove Nifty Needlers and Ballinacred Lazy Daisies caught the eye of Wendy Bradley (left) of Silvercreek and Lydia Rentenaar (right) of Ashgrove at Saturday's 4-H Achievement day, in Stewarttown. —(Staff Photo.)



MEMBERS of the Dublin Nimble Needlers, Cathy Lasby (left) and Gail Douglas posed with their display at Saturday's 4-H Achievement day, at Stewarttown Public School. —(Staff Photo.)

Guelph theatres still dark

Projectionists at the two Guelph Theatres, the Palace and Royal, are still out on strike with no settlement in sight. The two theatres, widely patronized by people from this district, have been closed since October 16, making it the longest strike by projectionists in the history of the country. The projectionists are asking for a \$15 a week increase for each year of a two year contract. They now earn from \$130 to \$138 for a 37 1/2-hour week. They rejected an offer from Odeon of 10 per cent the first year and seven per cent the second year. Only two Guelph projectionists are involved and both are elsewhere. One is vacationing in Florida and the other working at Stratford.

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Churchill

Deaths mar holiday mood

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur
Churchill friends were deeply shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Harry Shortill of Ballinacred on Saturday evening. Before moving to Ballinacred they lived on Churchill Road. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Viola and all the family. Friends from Churchill

Community extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Leitch and family in the death of his brother Wallace Leitch of Erin who passed away on Saturday.

Candlelight service
A Candle Light Service will be held in Churchill Community Church on this Sunday evening December 20 at 7.30 o'clock. A warm welcome to all who can attend. The regular Sunday morning service will be held at the usual hour, 11 am. It is our White Gift Sunday.

The Intermediate Choir and Carolers will be visiting the homes where there are sick and shut-ins one evening before Christmas.

Christmas concert
The Churchill Church Sunday School Christmas Concert was held last Friday evening

Ebenezer

Concert cantata planned

By Mrs. R. McLean
Ebenezer Sunday School concert is to be held this Friday evening. On Sunday evening, the choir present the cantata, "The Glory of Christmas", in their annual candle-light service.

Holy Communion was observed on Sunday. Mr. Finley spoke of the ordinary things we take for granted. James Cross said the thing he missed most during his 60 days' imprisonment, was the sunshine.

There is a child born every second. It was unusual for God to choose to come into history in such a commonplace form as a baby. But is birth a common thing? It is a miracle of creation in itself.

Jesus taught with commonplace things. Anyone at the supper table is going to pick up bread. When Jesus, in the Upper Room, picked it up, it became supercharged with special meaning. Jesus made a promise that the cup of wine, (His blood) would wash away our sins. He hallowed a towel by using it to serve others. Everything He touched was made holy.

The story of Jesus speaks for itself; it has power. We can be lifted up out of ourselves, like these common things, and made holy. Greg Kitching and Laurie Early lit the third Advent candle.

Eden Mills

Lucky Santa gets kisses

By Mrs. R. Wright
Santa Claus arrived Sunday at Eden Mills Presbyterian Church when the Sunday School concert was held following the morning service. Several numbers were put on by the smaller classes and carols were sung. A pot-luck dinner arranged by the ladies was enjoyed by all.

Then Santa arrived and gave out the gifts from under the beautifully decorated tree with bags of candy for each.

Santa was lucky this year, receiving many kisses from the teachers when their names were called.

THE UNUSUAL number of deaths of men in their 40s dampens the Christmas spirit this week.

Osprige

Fire hall, court tour families moving in news

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson
Mr. E. Archibald, 1st Line, has been on the jury for the Fall Assizes at Guelph this past week. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lundrigan and family, who have been residing in the former Sunter house in the village moved on Friday to Woodstock.

Mrs. Wallace Nutall, 3rd Line, recently underwent an appendectomy at Guelph hospital and is now convalescing at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Wieslnski and family, who resided on the former Strandholt farm, 2nd Line, left on Monday for Winnipeg where they will be making their new home.

Grade 7 of the local school attended a session of the Guelph court, recently.

Mr. Max Schotsch was in the Maritimes last week on business, and reports heavy snow and drifting all through the provinces.

On Tuesday evening the Guides and Brownies travelled to Erin to tour the fire hall. Ross Kirkwood, Vic Keeler and Cecil Carney, local firemen, showed the girls through the trucks and equipment and answered various questions. The girls were then invited downstairs for a treat of doughnuts and chocolate milk. The tour will help both groups to pass tests for a badge.

Christmas party
To conclude the year a gala Christmas party is planned for December 15 when the new leader Judy Short hopes to meet the parents and enlist interest in both Guides and Brownies. Thanks were expressed to Mrs.

F. Leslie and Mrs. V. Brown for transportation to Erin. From the leaders of Guides and Brownies, the merriest Christmas and happiest New Year to one and all.

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