

Churchill

Fourth annual meeting held

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur
The 4th annual meeting of the Churchill Community Church brought forth a fair attendance in spite of the wave of influenza which has laid low several of our folks including the minister Rev. Fosbury. Members of the session conducted the worship service.
There was the usual presentation of minutes, business reports, financial statement and a busy session report all testifying to the active and healthy condition of the Church. After the lengthy business of filling the post of Church offices and Sunday School executive plans were made for anniversary services in June.
Takes services
Best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to our pastor Rev. Fosbury. We are indeed blessed to have a friend, Mr. Murray Coles, who very capably conducted the Sunday Services.
Carolyn and Barbara Caruso of Brampton are spending a few days at their grandparents home with Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Fosbury.
Mr. and Mrs. Glen Copthorn and family of Fairport Beach,

Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Marchmont of Hornby and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hayes and family of Acton were all Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Brown and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr, Christine and Jeffrey visited Mr. and Mrs. Denton McCarl of Collingwood last Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr, Christine and Jeffrey attended the wedding of her niece Miss Elizabeth Malcolm and Mr. Walter Brooks both of Brougham on Saturday January 29, and the reception afterward in the Brougham Hall.
Swim party
Misses Erica and Elizabeth Stokov and Messrs Rae McFee and Doug Burt attended a swimming party hosted by the Stratford Baptist Young People on Saturday evening in Stratford.
Mr. Wesley Johnson of Guelph spent the weekend with his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blinrie.
Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer and Debbie were Mrs. Swackhamer's parents Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Reimer, also a sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goerzeno and David and Doris, all of Virgil.



MILTON FIREFIGHTERS had to douse their coats with water and don masks to withstand the intense heat of the burning barn. The barn, owned by Julius Geist of the Third Line Esquesing, was destroyed by fire Saturday and 22,000 chickens were lost with it. —(Staff Photo)

Barn, chicks lost in fire

Fire completely destroyed a huge barn and 22,000 chickens in a pre-dusk blaze Saturday that threatened nearby buildings at the historic Craigen farm of Julius Geist on the Third Line, Esquesing.
Milton Area Firefighters confined the raging inferno to the barn itself, battling for more than an hour and a half to protect three neighboring sheds. Eighteen horses in a nearby stable were released in case sparks from the fire spread in that direction. Volatile propane tanks were sheltered on the inside of the U-shaped barn and firefighters braved blistering heat to prevent their explosion. Firefighters also drenched their coats and wore face masks to allow them to play water on the large tanks.
Sparks fly
A clear night and lightly blowing breeze carried the flames away from the nearby buildings, showering sparks over open fields to the east.
Traffic on the Third Line was at a complete standstill as spectators attempted to pass the scene from the north and the south.

Osprige

Changes, visits

By Doris Fines
Mrs. Enoch Wood, who makes her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson and family, has gone to Toronto to spend some time with her other daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Trahan.
Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson and family have moved into their new house on 24 highway at the 4th line corner. Their address will once again be R.R. 1, Guelph.
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson were dinner guests Saturday evening with Mrs. Harry Armstrong, Guelph.
Mrs. Douglas Robertson and Mrs. Murray Millson and family, Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. George Young, Acton, visited with Mrs. Martha Jackson.
Family move
Little Robbie Pettit of Guelph, 8 month old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howse, has been staying with them this week while his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Pettit were moving. Mrs. Pettit is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howse.
Visitors with Mrs. David Stewart this week were her niece Mrs. Sid Baldwin, Mr. Baldwin, Mary Ellen and Paul of Ancaster, and Mr. Bill Dick of the Lake Shore Road.

Limehouse

Church annual new minister

By Mrs. A. Benton
We regret that Mrs. Kirkpatrick is in hospital for a check up and recovery from injuries from a fall. We hope she may be well soon.
Mesdames Patterson, Crichton and Benton attended the sixth annual meeting of the Brampton W.M.S. Presbyterial held in Norval Presbyterian Church last Wednesday.
February preacher
Dr. Hay professor at Knox College, Toronto, will preach at Limehouse Presbyterian Church at 9.45 a.m. each Sunday in February.
Annual meeting
Rev. John McBride chaired the annual congregational meeting of Limehouse Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening. Mrs. Bert Benton, acted as secretary. Reports read, following opening devotions, showed all organizations had a healthy year.
Most 1971 officers were re-appointed, excepting Mrs. J. W. Crichton who was appointed

treasurer, replacing A. W. Benton who retired after 33 years in that office. However, he agreed to continue as secretary. Mr. McBride closed the meeting with the Benediction and a social half hour was enjoyed by the 23 attending.
We hope that Mrs. Cummings may make a good recovery from a back ailment in hospital in Georgetown.
A large number of Limehouse congregation attended services at Knox, Georgetown on Sunday when Rev. John McBride preached. He later presided for the joint meeting when Rev. Peter Barrow was chosen by ballot to be minister of the two charges left vacant when Rev. F. N. Young answered a call to Duffs and Crief congregations near Guelph.
Music marks
Congratulations to Laura Stevens, who obtained 85 in Grade 2 Theory, and to David Fiehl who had 100 in Grade 1 Theory as well as to their teacher Miss Noreen Noble.

Ballinafad

Healthy activity for church changes at three local farms

By Mrs. Richard Shortill
The church annual meeting on Monday, Jan. 24 was held with 19 present. The weather was bad but everything went off quite well. Reading the account of it, which was given to us Sunday morning we would report that the church is in the state of very healthy activity. Scouts under Paul Metcalfe, Cubs led by George Patterson and brownies to the number of 16 girls age 7 to 10—all indicates interest. Finances too seem in good order.
Recommendations for several to fill vacancies on both official board and session will ultimately be settled.
Church service
Church service Sunday was well attended. The junior choir sang. The sacrament of Holy Baptism was performed by Rev. Johnston. Two wee baby boys

were baptized. David White infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin White and Glenn Schivartz, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz were baptized in the presence of their families.
Fun on pond
Mark Shortill's pond on Saturday echoed to the happy voices of the neighborhood children skating and passing the puck around.
Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McLean on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary. A family dinner party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross McLean on Saturday night, in their honor.
A Bit of History
Sometimes it's of interest to review locations in the various areas in a community. This week I am including in my news items changes which have taken place on three of our Seventh Line former farms—namely the "Vannater" farms.
The three farms mentioned belonged to the late Mr. and Mrs. Ira Vannater—where now reside Joseph and Catharine Matthews; the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vannater, then Mr. and Mrs. Blake Vannater who owned the two farms below.
Today several divisions have been made of these farms.
Close together
Beginning at the line fence at the top of the hill, we have living in the Glenn Campbell house, Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen, next there are Mr. and Mrs. Todd, then Mr. and Mrs. Swan and next Mr. and Mrs. Wetherall. These four places are grouped close together, and all families have

school age young people.
Now, in the Vannater home back in the long lane, lately occupied by the Newmans, Mr. and Mrs. Haynes are the owners who have made themselves a beautiful home of this fine old house.
Coming on down Mr. and Mrs. Smith live where the Greycrook family previously lived. Next with a cottage back on the hill, land and a pond are owned by the Pilates of Brampton. Back in this location the late Mr. Blake Vannater had a silver fox ranch.
Line fence
We now come to the line fence separating the two farms this one formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Campbell, then by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boyd, then Mr. and Mrs. Thompson after which Mr.

and Mrs. John Woods owned it. They sold the house, barn and some acreage to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hancock, who now live there, but the upper acreage Mr. Woods kept and dug out ponds and has a private picnic spot at the back. In the small house at the road, across from Shortills, Mr. and Mrs. Conklin live.
I trust this will be of interest to some of our readers.
Old family
The Vannaters were an old Ballinafad family, who had an important place in our community and in our churches.
Mrs. Blake Vannater, the former Annie Waddell, lives in Georgetown as does Blake's brother Phares, sister Cora, who was Mrs. Arthur Speight and Blake passed away some time back.

Free Press District Page

Ebenezer

Birthdays, death in news

By Mrs. Ron McLean
Rev. Russell Finley gave another of his inspiring sermons. The work of Jesus had to be carried on far beyond the territory, which He actually covered. To carry on His teaching after His death, there had to be people trained and able to travel far. Any mention of a Book in Jesus' time, meant the Book, from which boys were trained in the synagogues.
According to the book, "Future Shock", everything now is becoming disposable. Books are obsolete; people don't take time to read books; news has to be instant. If we get back to the person to person way of propagating the gospel, we are going back to Jesus' day.
The definition of a primitive university is a teacher on one end and a log, a learner on the other with a book between them.
"Ling" means "selection". Disciples saw the resurrection. The twelve who were chosen were something special; although they were often dull,

impatient and misunderstood Jesus' message. Selection is a personal act of God. God needs you to carry on His work, as preacher, teacher, parent or friend, etc. Some people are more gifted than others. A professor of English could make the villains in Shakespeare's plays seem to have good in them.
Jesus called the fishermen, in a language they understood. To present the message of Jesus needs patience. In Holman Hunt's picture of Jesus knocking at the over-grown door, suppose when the person on the inside finally opened the door, Jesus had lost patience and gone away?
St. John said, "I have called you friends. You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you. I give you a new commandment, 'Love one another.'"
Dr. George Pidgeon, the first

moderator of the United Church, was raised on a farm, where he and his brother did most of the driving, with horses. Dr. Pidgeon said that he liked the horses, but his brother loved them. When his brother took the reins, the horse became a different animal, more prancing and high-spirited. In the same way, people respond to the quality of love.
Extend sympathy
Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Roy Pamplin and the Pamplin family, in the death of a brave and loving man, after a lingering illness.
Birthdays
Birthday greetings to Tod Nellis and Ruth Anne Norrish, of Guelph; to Mrs. Andy Frank, of Milton, to Mrs. W. Early, and a special greeting to Miss Irene Pointz, of Milton Manor, on her 94th birthday.



LEAP YEAR SAVINGS
ALL GIFTS
35% off
Cameo Boutique
25 Mill St. - Acton - 853-0100

Thompson Fuels LTD.
— Distributor of Home and Farm Petroleum Products
Serving Acton and District Since 1946
★ HEATING OILS
★ LUBRICATION OILS & GREASES
★ GASOLINES ★ DIESEL FUEL
Phone 853-2174
DEPENDABLE OIL BURNER SALES & SERVICE
44 Young St., Acton

SNOWMOBILE Races
SPONSORED BY
ACTON Y'S MEN'S CLUB
TWO BIG DAYS
Saturday, Feb. 5th & Sunday, Feb. 6th
AT
Prospect Park & Fairy Lake
RACES START AT 1 P.M.
—SATURDAY EVENTS—
• CROSS COUNTRY • NOVELTY • SKILL RACES
—SUNDAY EVENTS—
• TRACK RACES
Entries for both days must be in by 12 noon on day of race
ENTRY FEE \$3.00

TO CLEAR 1972 SKI-DOO SALE

OLYMPIQUE "335" - \$650.00
OLYMPIQUE "399" - \$760.00
T.N.T. "340" - \$840.00
T.N.T. "440" - \$960.00

ski-doo '72
MURT ALLISON SALES & SERVICE
R.R. 1 - Georgetown - 877-5250

HINTON'S IS YOUR SHOPPING CENTRE FOR

VALENTINE GIFT Specials

Make Your Selection From Our Assortment Of
VALENTINE CARDS AND NOVELTIES
Valentine Cut-out Books—49c-79c
Cello Bag Assortment of Valentines—29c to 88c
Beautiful Selection of Valentine Folders
Sentimental Types — Comics — Relative and General Greetings — Mechanical and Novelty Types
Priced from as low as 5c to \$2.00

Valentine Candies and Boxed Chocolates
Buy Your Candy in Bulk and Save
Valentine Jelly Beans — Cinnamon Hearts
Valentine Cupie Mix, Etc.
Boxed Chocolates - Valentine Wrapped
Smiles & Chuckles
Special Heart-Shaped Boxes
from 85¢ to \$4.95
Also
Black Magic & Dairy Box, etc.

Valentine Candles — Dollies — Table Napkins
Table Cloths — Crepe Paper — Streamers, Etc.
REMEMBER YOUR VALENTINE.
With a suitable gift from our fine line of Nylons, Lingerie, Glassware, Chinaware, Boxed Stationery, Toiletries, Boxed Handkerchiefs

Hinton's 5¢ to \$1 Store