



BROOKVILLE CHRISTMAS PARTY was sponsored by the teenagers of the area for the youngsters. Santa visited and brought each child a gift and candy. Young men and women dressed as clowns to entertain the children as they enjoyed refreshments and games. It all happened at Brookville Hall Monday afternoon, Dec. 22. The teenagers financed the party through various fund-raising events.

Churchill

Concert, Christmas service

by Mrs. Fred MacArthur
Churchill Sunday school concert was held last Monday evening in the church auditorium. Jeff Denny was chairman. The two primary classes under the leadership of Vera Strokov and Liz Cooper presented two plays. The first was all the primaries grouped around the fireplace for a bedtime story revealing the true meaning of Christmas. Then Erica Cornell with all the children sang Santa Claus is coming to Town while two Christmas elves and three lively jack-in-the-boxes performed a dance drill. A five-act play entitled Christmas Scarecrows starred members of the senior class with nearly all the primaries participating in minor parts.

This major effect was well performed and enjoyed by cast and audience alike. Piano solos by Jim Anderson, Susan Milne, Helec Kockx and Lee Bonnell were interspersed through the program. To keep things lively between scene changes Jeff Denny led carol singing accompanied by Marie Anderson and on the organ and Archie Kerr on the violin.

Presentations
Seven recently married couples were presented with gifts of a Bible and piece of fine crystal. Rev. A. W. Fosbury made the presentation address.

The couples are Judy and Jeff Cooper; Donna and Barry MacArthur; Debbie and Ross Carol; Janet and Ray Swackhamer; Doris and Wally Ella; Elizabeth and Jack Feenstra; Erica and Ray Cornell.

At the close of these proceedings and the joyous rendition of Jingle Bells by children young and old, Santa Claus made his appearance accompanied by two lively elves.

Gifts from the C.C.C.W. for each Sunday School member were distributed along with generous bags of candy. After the departure of the Jolly Old Gentleman and the singing of another carol Rev. Fosbury brought the evening to a close with the benediction.

Candlelight services
Candles, evergreens and beautiful Christmas trees decorated the church for the annual candlelighting service Sunday evening. Traditional hymns of Christmas blended with carols ancient and modern as the junior choir performed excellently the numbers they had been practicing for several weeks. God's Kids, Churchill's own singing group, was present and sang five selections. One of these, Memories of Christmas, was composed by Michael Cooper. Liz Cooper accompanied several of the pieces on the bells. The orchestra was out in force with Philip Levy, violin; Keith Barber, cello; and John Duonek, cornet assisting Churchill regulars Archie Kerr, violin; Ray Denny, violin; and Marie Anderson on the organ.

Rev. Fosbury conducted the service with readings and poetry especially chosen for the occasion.
Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dobbie of Toronto spent Christmas weekend at his parents' home with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dobbie.

Boxing Day
A happy gathering was held on Boxing Day when the Warnie family gathered in Owen Sound with daughter Marjorie, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bell and family - Mr. Robert Warnie, Edith, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Binnie and family; (Dorothy) Mr. and Mrs. Ken Allen and family of Acton and Mark Wolfe; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warnie, also Vera, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Tinson and family of Guelph and Cous. Brian and Mrs. Binnie and daughter Paula of Kitchener. On Christmas Day Bernice

First Sunday

Husband, wife team as clergy

A husband and wife team will become ministers of Churchill Community Church. The Rev. J. L. McFadden, B.A., B.D., and his wife Eleanor McFadden, B.A., of Guelph will begin their ministry here this coming Sunday. The Rev. Walter Fosbury of Acton has retired, and preached there officially for the last time last Sunday. He and Mrs. Fosbury will of course still live in Acton. He retired to Acton, and came to the church intending to stay two years; he has now been there six and a half years. His congregation helped him celebrate his 75th birthday with a pot luck lunch not long ago. He was minister of Acton United church over 20 years ago.

Other churches
Both of the McFaddens have had other churches, and Mrs. McFadden will be preaching at first. Her previous church was in the Milton area. Her husband is still ministering in St. Catharines and won't be finished there until March 1. Mrs. McFadden is not ordained, but is a commissioned minister, of the United church.

and Leroy MacArthur held a family gathering at their home when all their family were home including daughter-in-laws and grandparents Fred and Irene MacArthur. They were together to enjoy Christmas dinner and festivities and see their little grandson Michael open his Christmas treasures before leaving to go to his grandpa Scotts for another Christmas.

Regret
It was with sincere regret that the people of Churchill church listened to Rev. Fosbury's farewell sermon Sunday morning. He was pastor for over six and one half years. Services to our church and community are given with such sincere devotion by both Mrs. Fosbury and himself. Our church is indebted to them and grateful for their example of Christian leadership and faith in the cause of Christ in this little church and the church at large. Their visits to new friends, shut-ins and sick ones in hospital and in the home and

administrations of sacrament and regular services continued in spite of inclement weather and bad roads. They have served with such real concern. We will never know how much we owe to them for what we have been able to accomplish in our little church on the hill. We pray that full retirement may be kind to them in the years to come and may God bless and continue to guide them. A bouquet of red roses was presented to Mrs. Fosbury by Mrs. Clifford Storey. Our love goes with them all.

Visitors
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Martin of Vineland, Mr. Ivan Johnson of Jordan, Mr. William MacArthur of Erin, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Davidson, Churchill Rd., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson when they held their Christmas.

We are pleased to report Mrs. William Dobbie who has been a patient in Toronto general Hospital was able to return home. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Stott of Kingston visited on the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie. Miss Helen Kockx is holidaying with Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan and family in Toronto.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
Good luck and much happiness to all our wonderful friends in the coming year!
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Silverwood

W.I. Christmas party in news

By Mrs. Alicia Scott
Mr. and Mrs. D. Lindsay opened their spacious home to the Silverwood Women's Institute for their annual Christmas party. Miss Joan Lindsay and Miss Anne Holmes cooked and served a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings to 19 members. It was a noon dinner and a social afternoon was spent with carols and members arrived home around 4 p.m.

Visitors
Mrs. Jenny Foster, Mrs. Florence Lock, Mr. Dennis Lock, Mr. and Mrs. Russel Gray, Toronto were Christmas guests at the George Burt home.

Daughters, sons and grandchildren also enjoyed Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burt.

Mrs. Anne Norton was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Loutlet in Acton on Christmas day.

Mrs. Jessie Appleyard held open house to family members and other close relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. Stull and family, Listowel, joined other

members of the Campbell family for Christmas dinner with Mrs. Margaret Campbell. 19 members enjoyed turkey and goose. All the Lindsays met at Mr.

and Mrs. D. Lindsay's for a Christmas get-together recently. Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilson visited family and friends Christmas day.

Weather report
Nov. rainfall 62.17 millimetres, Nov. snow 5 centimetres. December snow to date 88.10 centimetres.

Ebenezer

Two new elders at church

by Mrs. Ron McLean
The two new elders elected at Ebenezer are Eli Daigle and Ian Ferguson.

Sermon
Rev. Russel Finley's sermon topic was "God Co-operates;" from Romans 8:28. We have all missed many opportunities for good in 1975. God co-operates with those who love Him. God brings optimism as we walk into the new year. (Definition of an optimist: a woman, who reaches for her shoes, when the speaker says, "Finally in conclusion...")

We must have patience to take the long view. A scientist has calculated that, if the age of the universe were from midnight to midnight, man, the new comer, would have been on the scene for the last five seconds. If we judge what man is now, it is like looking at a small boy, and thinking we know what kind of grown man he will become. When you walk into the new year, don't be afraid. God will manifest Himself to you and through you.

Meeting
Ebenezer's annual meeting is to be held Jan. 19.

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