Last Session of 1935 Acton Council

Year End Accounts are Passed -County Rate Same as Last

. At the regular meeting of Acton Counci on Monday evening, Councillors J. E McMillan P. J McCutcheon were present and Reeve C. H. Harrison presided.

The twenty-fifth report of the Pinance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

General Account R. J. Ramshaw, Clerk and Bailiff, fees \$ 48.00 H. M. Pettit, Treasurer County of Halton, C.N.R. crossing. 289.10 H. M. Pettit, Treasurer County of Halton, Mill Street sur-H. M. Pettit, Treasurer County Halton, County Rate, 1935 8,639.62 H. M. Pettit, Treasurer County Halton, Hospital Accounts Roy P. Smith, engineer's fees re Tyler's Transport, work on road Jack McMullen, repairs at Arena roof Bell Telephone Co., four services and charges Georgetown Lumber Co., sup-Mrs. H. L. McDonald premium on Arena A. T. Brown, supplies \$10,200.00

Murray Memorial Fund R. R. P. Watson, painting J. B. Mackenzie, supplies Georgetown Lumber Co., sup-

\$105.07 A letter from the insurance company carrying the policy on the khoe factory building suggested that the lower basement windows be boarded up to prevent entrance to the building. Council decided it was not advisable to do this for a few weeks as prospective tenants were viewing the premises.

Another letter was also received from the Hewelson Co., re endorsation of the insurance policies on the shoe factory building.

A letter from St. Michael's Mospital gave notice of the admittance of patient. Council disputed the claim, as the individual was not a resident

Council decided they could not make repairs to the house belonging to Mrs. for the damage claimed.

quiry from the County Council re snow 270 which also won a chicken.

fence on the Mill Pond road. The Clerk was instructed to insert a notice in The Park Parks regarding strict

isfactory. The matter of clearing the snow from Mill Street was discussed briefly by the

THE HIGH SCHOOL "AT HOME"

Teachers, Pupils Parents and Friends Enjoy Annual Gathering Last Thursday Evening.

and friends gathered last Thursday even- McMullen. Several of the passages of ing at the Town Hall, where the annual scripture were dramatized. "At Home" was the feature. It proved a fine social evening, with the premier Knox Sabbath School Christmas Tree

Andy Prant's alx-plece orchestra. this occasion, "Kidnapping Betty," was and broke out into a burst of entera delightful presentation. Pull of good tainment. Carols and all the songs and clean comedy and wit, with plenty of stories of Christmastide were in the tangles and the happy climax, when all air, and the spontaneous reaction of parties are contented with the outcome, little children to this their glad season, it delighted all. The parts were all well was the joyous note that passed not tuken. Pupils taking part were Irene away. The Y. P. Gulld contributed McLean, Elleen, Breen, Etta Swackham- the chief part of the program in the er, Helen Lamb, Fred Turner, Howard entertaining line with the presentation Norton and Charles Henderson.

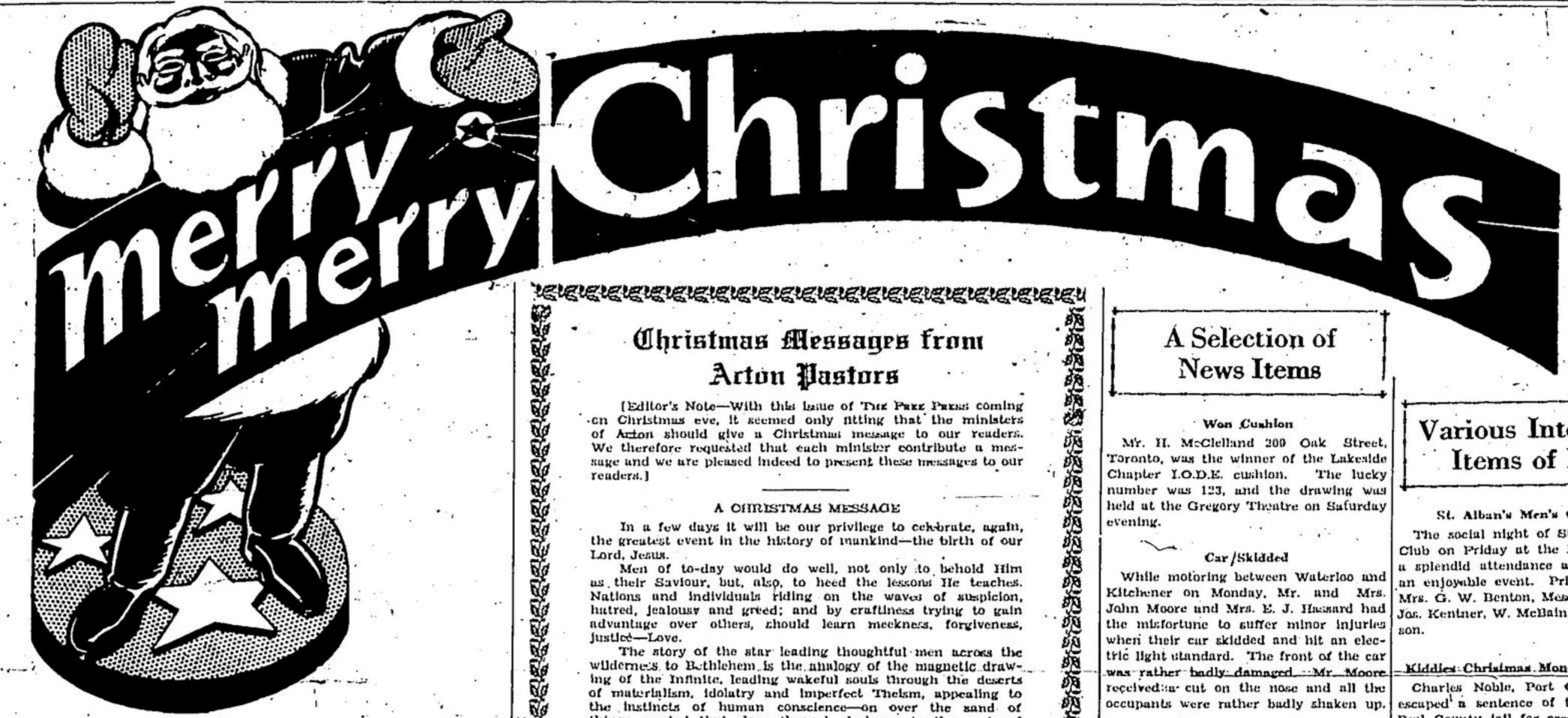
was remembered by the rugby team by This was a one act play of great beauty doubly interesting. presentation of a gift, on their behalf, and passion and was well portrayed by by Gerald Pargeter; Miss Mortimer, by good character acting. The part of the basketball team, presented by Esther Harmar-keeper of the Khan of Bethle- mas. Taylor; and Miss Bell, by the baseball ham was taken by Mr. J. Hurst; his

evening and when the Home Waltz and The prophet was taken by Mr. J. Ross; National Anthem brought the evening Mary of Nazareth, by Miss E. Orr; a to u close it was conceded by all to have nobleman of Capernaum by Mr. C. Kirkbeen most enjoyable.

THE EVENING MEAL DIGESTER

nve of the blevest of those trout."

dealer in amazement. "I want to tell the family I caught he left happy hearts. Long life to Santa I'm no llar."



News of Acton and the District

Factory Building Sold It is reported that the building of the Halton Glove Works, on Main Street, was sold on Monday to Mr. Louis Brown, of Guelph, by the Georgetown Lumber Company. No information as to Mr. Brown's intention for use of the building has been secured.

Lucky Admission Druw For the lucky admission ticket on the Jones' Boys hockey game, the drawing playing there as part of his role. was made on Monday night, and the following-word-the-winners: A-McIspac-wonthe 100 lbs. of sugar; Mrs. Geo. Lantz a bag of potatoes; Mrs. J. Greer, 24 lbs. Campbell, as they were not responsible flour; Miss L. V. Mason box of chocolates: and C. E. Holmes, a chicken. The Clerk was instructed to make in- There was no claimant for ticket No.

Week of Prayer

The week of prayer will be observed enforcement of the snow shovelling by- again in Acton with the first complete week of the New Year. Arrangements A letter from the Secretary of the have been made for services in the Actor Branch of the Canadian Legion churches and the opening night, Monacknowledged receipt of the arrange- day, January the 6th, will be under the ments for the care of the Soldiers' Mem- cure of the Young Peoples societies of orial plot. These arrangements were sat- the town. Detailed program will be given

H. Y. P. U. Meeting Sunday Evening A special meeting was held on Sunday evening at the Baptist Church by the B.Y.P.U., under the leadership of the Christian Fellowship Group, led by Miss Laura McMullen. The program was in the form of a Christmas pantomine. consisting of scripture passages and Christmas carols; vocal duetts were every day. given by Mrs. Veldhuls and Mrs. W. Pupils of Actor High School, teachers Coles: Misses Bertha Bristow and Doris

uttraction of dancing and music by There is always excitement about Ohristmas time. Last night it settled, Acton almost as much as Oakville, since The play presented by the pupils on like the weather around Knox Church suitcuse depositing seems to establish

by their players of a drama of the finit During the evening Principal MacRae Christmas, entitled 'The Empty Room', team, presented by Kay Chapman. Trousin, Joanna by Mrs. Demercault; Refreshments were served during the Rebecca, his mother by Miss P. Hurst; ness and the servant at the khan by Mr. C. Henderson. The school by individual effort and by pageant and song along with the well rendered support of the orchestra brought the entertainment part to a close. But this was but he He had been fishing, but with bad introduction to the real purpose of the w hick. On his way home he entered a evening. Santa Claus is a little muri, fish market and said to the dealer, who goes about his work quietly and "Harry, stand over there and throw me greeting the little children in particular. Well, he was in the school room lust "Throw 'em? What for?" asked the night. Everybody saw him. Even the teachers. He brought good cheer and . 'em. I may be a poor fisherman, but Claus. 'And so was ended unother bright Christmas entertainment.

JUST BEFORE THE BATTLE

Intermediates and Juniors Get in First Practices Last Week-Both Teams to Present Good Line-up

Last week enw the local hockey squads get into their first action and shape up for the ceason. And for the most part the rail birds are satisfied.

Jack Greer got an initiation tap on the nose but says that after this he'll keep his eye on the puck.

Gibbons and Scott are teaming up nicely on the defence, with Walters

Forward lines are not completely organized yet and we suppose we'll see them for the first on Thursday night.

With the Juniors this year are Ezard, Brush and Blinco, of the County Town, who have no junior crowd to line up with in Milton this year. They're quite an addition to the local line.

Our friend from Oakville now broad easts from another station. It's S-T-A-R instead of R-E-C-O-R-D.

Tells us we're all wrong. Marzo halls from Guelph and doesn't play on the Oakville Seniors' first line.

Suppose it counds more highbrow to have . the boy coming from the Royal

Well, if you wait till the season opens you'll see his brother on the Intermediate line-up and we see most of his folks

Matter of fact, we saw him in Acton very close to the day he established residence in Oakville. We mean when he was supposed to.

Wouldn't wonder a Till If ha fen't I residence on the Oakville Seniors.

As for the first line we ellp the following from the last issue of the Star: Oakville-Goal, H. Teno; defense, Sutcliffe, Moore; centre, S. Allen; wings, Marzo, Campbell; subs. Townsley Peer, Boston.

By next week we may both have something to write about, brother. Something

And in the meantime, Merry Christ-

TO ALL!

In view of the fact that we have no editorial page this week, and consequently no place to give our Christmas greeting, we must crush the front page with our Merry Christmus,

There are hundreds of ways of saying it. But after all, none of them convey it better than the old Christmas greeting. Brief but to the point. So the Editor and Staff Join with all friends every-

where in mying-MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Christmas Messages from Action Pastors

on Christmus eve, it seemed only fitting that the ministers of Arton should give a Christmas message to our readers. We therefore requested that each minister contribute a message and we are pleased indeed to present these messages to our readers.]

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

In a few days it will be our privilege to celebrate, again, the greatest event in the history of mankind—the birth of our

Men of to-day would do well, not only to behold Him as their Saviour, but, also, to heed the lessons He teaches. Nations and individuals riding on the waves of suspicion. hatred, jealousy and greed; and by craftiness trying to gain advantage over others, should learn meckness, forgiveness,

Justice-Love. The story of the star leading thoughtful men across the wilderness to Bethlehem is the analogy of the magnetic drawing of the Infinite, leading wakeful souls through the deserts of materialism, idolatry and imperfect Theism, appealing to the instincts of human conscience—on over the sand of things created that slope through darkness to the oasis of Incarnation-the highest demonstration of the character of

Take your place at the manger and behold the Saviour of mankind-Hear the angelic host sing: "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will toward men." Then, with the lowly shepherds, humbly kneel and worship your Lord. To all-A Happy Christmas.

E. MILTON MORROW.

CHRISTMAS, 1935

Do you remember the wish that I wished you a year agoof course you do. It was the same as the year before. Why do we remember it? Is it custom or is there in us something that yearns for the happiness of others and ourselves? I have found this happiness wherever there are lovers of life itself, amused by the call of a bird, or the scuttle of a small beast, worshipful of the sun's glory and the white magic of the moon, thrilled with a sense of being one with life; and above all among people forgetful of their own cares, having dedicated their souls, with a fire of love, to some work they do for love's sake. This is the message of the Christ Child: This is the message that I bring you to-night. The world just now is too much haunted by anxieties-fear of the future, fear of poverty, fear of war. Do not be so much afraid. Pace this life of yours with higghter, confidence and a spirit of fellowship toward all men. I do not pretend to you that life is easy. But much of its suffering is due to yourselves and not to any grudge of fate; due-forgive my frankness-to your

own fears, hatreds, intolerance greed and naughtiness. I want to remind you on this Christmas that life is still good if you make it so. Forget your cares so that the children may laugh. Forget your fears and be merry, for their take. You will find happiness in their delight. "Fear not: for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." And because we know beyond a shadow of doubt that He shall not fail, and His purpose of peace and goodwill shall be accomplished in the earth, we send you this message. May the spirit of Peace and Goodwill be yours at this season, and the abiding presence of Him Who is the Prince of Penco be with you all the days. So a Merry Merry Christmas to you all. Why not? . .

H. L. BENNIE.

THE SPELL OF CHRISTMAS The spell of Christmas has fallen again upon our busy world. All the year round, little as it thinks of it, that world pays its homego to the fact of Christ and His lowly eradic at-Bethlehem: for there is not a newspaper or a cheque or a letter that does not carry a date upon it, and thereby bears its witness to Christ. The civilized world reckons its time from that first Christmas Day. Not only our friendships and our reading but even our commerce bears that hidden name upon its records.

But who, when 'he writes "19-", ever thinks what these figures mean? On Christmas Day, however, it is different. The hum of industry dies down, the office and the shop are closed, there is even a truce in political affairs, and our world stands still for a little. In the busy year this is the hour of the Angels. In the tender mood that claims us to-day, when we are touched by old memories and the gladness of home, and the simple delights of the children, the angels and shapherds and the Christ Child of the beautiful Old Story somehow do not seem so very far away.

The first note of the Christmas message is Joy. "Pear not Rehold I bring you good tidings of great joy" were the words of the Herald Angel. The joy of Christmas has encheled the earth. People who never enter the church, and whose allegiance to Christ is very attenuated, are caught up in the toy and gladness of Christmas.

But the joy of Christmas the joy that Christ imparts by far deeper than this. This deeper and more lasting joy was a mark of the early Christian Church. To this day it is the same. Victorious joy is the fascinating mark of all those who go the second mile in consecration, who make their allegiance to Christ a more dynamic thing than most nominal Christians do." Keep your eyes open this Christmas and you see comeone about you who has the real Christmus joy and who has it all the year. Ask him about it! He will be glad to tell you. It is the gift of Christ and for you.

The Christmas scene closes with the shepherds hurrying to Bethlehem with their wondrous news. "They returned glorifying and praking God." They told everyone they met the good news, the glorious tidings that a Saviour had come, They were witnesses and they spoke out their message. That has been the mark of the Christian Church from the very beginning. The Apostles followed the lead of the shepherds. Andrew tells Peter, and John brings his brother James. Whenever and wherever that principle is put into effect the Church goes forward.

There are several forward movements abroad in the Church to-day. The great thing for each one of us is, can we be counted in. If we have had an experience of Christ that means anything to us, let us tell others about it. That is what the shepherds did at the first Christmas. That is what you should do at Christmas, 1935. I pray that this may be your best Christmas so far.

E. BRILLINGER.

A MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS To-night is the eve of the great feast of Christmas and our thoughts go back 1900 years to the birth of Christ, our Saviour and our God. God sent His only begotten Son into the world to become a child among men in order to lead men back to God. And from the manger He preaches to us. He comes lif the form of innocent childhood to impress upon us, us, our first lesson that of such is the kingdom of heaven, and that it is only the pure of heart that shall see God. But the most essential lesson is our boundless duty to love God above all, and our neighbor for God's sake. When he realize that the apparently helpless infant is the Infinite God, the Eternal. (Concluded on Page Pour)

A Selection of News Items

Won Cushlon

Mr. H. McClelland 200 Oak Street Toronto, was the winner of the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. cushlon. The lucky number was 123, and the drawing was held at the Gregory Theatre on Safurday evening.

Car /Skldded

While motoring between Waterloo and Kitchener on Monday, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Mrs. E. J. Hassard had the misfortune to suffer minor injuries when their car skidded and hit an electric light standard. The front of the car was rather badly damaged ... Mr. Moore received:a cut on the nose and all the

Haptist Sunday, School Christmas Treat On Wednesday evening last, the annual Christmas supper and tree for the Sunday School children of the Baptist Church was held with supper being zerved in the basement. A short program of Christmas recitations was given by several of the scholars. From the Christmas tree, in the class room, Santa Claus, who was in a very jovial mood, distributed the presents to the scholars.

Rural League

The following are the starting dates of the Acton Rural League schedule. The complete schedule will be published next week. It will swing into action on Monday, January 6th, with three games. Watch for the complete schedule in next week's paper. On January 6th, Jones' and parceks. It required almost three Boys meet Dublin; York Road are opposed-by Brookville; and Rockwood and Monday, and the mails all through the Limehouse clash; on January 10th, the season have been exceedingly heavy. opponents are: Lorne Rifles vs. Lorne Actonians have, however, through this Farmers; Everton vs. Eden Mills; Rockwood Parmers vs. Dublin.

A Veteran Railwayman

Mr. H. S. Holmes, of Acton, who just a short time ago celebrated his eightleth birthday, is now observing his sixtyfifth anniversary since entering the service of the C.N.R. For fifty-six years Mr. Holmes was in the active service ment of an additional member in J. S. of the G.T.R. and C.N.R., and for the Beck, former Mayor of Brampton, was past nine years has been a pensioner. He is enjoying the best of health and Marshall, Ontario Minister of Agriculis about town every day, with just as ture. Under the new arrangement, J. T. much spring to his walk as when he Houck will succeed John MacPeeter as was agent at the C.N.R. station here chairman, with the latter remaining on nine years ago. His friends extend congrutulations.

Halton Holstein Breeders Make High

Two hundred and twenty-one Holsteins completed R.O.P. records during October, according to the Holstein-Prieslan Association of Canada. In the fifteen classes reported. Ontario breeders won six. Three of the six Ontario wins came from Halton with Victor Lawrence, of Merton, leading two classes with daughters of Korndyke Abberkerke Lud Sylvins, Marle Tensen Hengerveld produced 494 pounds fot from 13330 pounds will as finds three year old and Tessy Walker Pontiac produced 445 pounds fat from 12,123, pounds milk as a senior two year old. In the four year olds M. J. Brown's Jemina Queen Sylvia led the way with 496 pounds fut from 13,943 pounds milk. These are real achievements and we in Canada this year will be even greater CUSS.

Choir Christmas Cantata

King." It was under the direction of \$1,031,324, compared with \$869,805 last Cholemaster Bert Mason and was a year. Dolls accounted for \$95,560 of the splendld presentation of the Christmus 1035 imports, and came mostly from story. Solo parts were taken by Miss Germany. Great Britain supplies Canada Ruth Gibson, Mrs. J. K. Gardiner, Mrs. with the largest number of juvenile con-H. P. Mowat and Mr. Dan Taylor; ductt struction sets and the United States by Miss Gibson and Mr. Ted Clifford; sends most of the mechanical and other and quartette by Miss Gibson, Mrs. J. C. toys. Canadian-made toys are zent to 24 Matthews, Mr. N. Gibson and Mr. D. different countries, most of them going Taylor. Miss Fern Brown and Mrs. R. to the British market. R. Arnold played the accompaniments. The cuntata included the following selections: "Prepare Ye the Way";" solo, "Yar O'er the Silent Eastern Hills"; solo, "Following the Guiding Star"; solo, "Pour Not for Behold I Bring Good 'Tidings"; solo, "Hark the Song is Ringing Still"; obligate sole, "Away in a Manger"; duett, "Pairest Lord Jesus"; quartette, "There is Room in My Heart for 'Thee"; concluding with the selection by the full choir, "Worship the King." Dr. Morrow gave a brief address at this MINISTER DE LE SERVICE.

Various Interesting Items of News

St. Alban's Men's Club Social

The social night of St. Alban's Men's Club on Priday at the Parish Hall had a splendid attendance and proved quite an enjoyable event. Prize winners were Mrs. G. W. Benton, Mesers, P. Rawlings, Jos. Kentner, W. McBain and Fred Crew-

Kiddles Chrisimas Money to Pay Fine Charles Noble, Port Credit, narrowly occupants were rather badly shaken up. escaped a sentence of ten days in the Peel County jail for creating a disturbance in the streets by being intoxicated and received a scathing lecture from Magistrate Bull. Noble admitted that he was on relief. "When will you have the money to pay these costs?" the magistrate wanted to know. "I'll have it on Tuesday." Noble maintained. "I suppose that the money was what was to have bought a few Christmas presents for your children?" the magistrate enquired. Noble admitted that such was the case.

A Record Mail This Year

This Christmas mull this year at Actor Post Office has set a new record for volume. On Monday morning, in spite of a stuff of extra helpers, and an hour's work in distributing the mail, the tables and shelves were piled high with letters hours to sort the two morning mails on extra Christmas rush, received the usual service from behind the wickets and only those who saw the stacks of mail realized the extra duties.

J. S. Heck Appointed to Milk Control

Reorganization of the Ontario Milk Control Board, providing for the appointannounced last week by Hon, Duncan the Board. It is understood that Mr. McFeeter asked to be relieved of the chairmanship, but Mr. Marshall persunded him to remain on the Board, The re-arrangement will take effect January

Good News From Santa Claus

Santa Claus is working full time again and his bag, of toys for distribution in Canada on Christmas (to-morrow) morn will be practically as heavy as it was in Christmas of 1929. According to the Department of Trade and Commerce, imports of dolls and tow into Canada during the first ten months of 1935 exceeded the million dollar mark. This was the largest figure for such imports since 1929 when the total was \$1,200,000. Production of Canadian-made toys is far in advance of pre-depression years, indicating that the total amount spent for toys than in 1929. Exports of Canadian toys this year to the end of October amounted

to \$160,036, compared with \$85,724 hr the correspoding period of 1934 and On Sunday evening, at the services of \$24,080 in 1929. Imports of dolls and the United Church the choir presented toys into Canada during the first ten the Christmas cantata, "The Christmas months of the present year amounted to

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, so cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of Mc.

Skating on Christmas Day. Afternoon 2.30 to 4.30; also in the eventur.