

"Portraits of Past" fashion pageant Jan. 26 first local centennial project

Milton's first major project of a centennial nature, a famous historical fashion pageant, will be presented at the Williams Ave. High School on Thursday evening, January 26, at 8 p.m.

The "Portraits of the Past" fashion show will be under the sponsorship of the John Milton and Sarah Martin chapters of the I.O.D.E. and proceeds will go toward Milton's observance of the Dominion centennial. The presentation consists of 39 women's costumes dating from the visits of early explorers to the early 1900s.

Replicas of the dresses worn by such famous women as Madame Champlain, Mrs. John Graves Simcoe and Laura Secord are included in the show. Members of the two chapters and many friends from Milton women's organizations will model the costumes.

The show is touring the province under the auspices of the Ontario Centennial Planning Branch, a division of the Ontario Department of Tourism and Information. It has already visited many major communities in the province including Acton, and has helped raise thousands of dollars for local Centennial celebrations.

In addition to the contribution it has made to Centennial fund-raising, it has helped stimulate interest in the 100th birthday of Confederation.

Costumes in "Portraits from the Past" were designed after extensive research in old books, magazines and historical documents, but are made of modern fabrics using modern dressmaking techniques.

This has enabled the costumes to stand up to repeated use and display — even though some of the originals from which they were taken, such as Queen Victoria's wedding dress, were intended to be worn only once.

Some of the garments were designed for wear on formal occasions, while others are modelled after the daily garb worn by pioneer women and Indian maidens.

The show includes an example of the Paris styles worn by Helene de Champlain, the child-bride of the famous French explorer; a Victorian riding garment, costumes illustrating the dress of the

wives of the provincial premiers at Confederation time, and many others.

In the commentary, some interesting and little known historical facts about Canada's early women are contained.

These facts help bring authenticity to the glamor and color of the costumes, and make "Portraits from the Past" an interesting historical document as well as an entertaining presentation of fashions.



BEHIND THE SCENES in the fashion presentation, "Portraits from the Past", a production worker assists in preparing the costume of Madame Helene de Champlain worn by a young model. Madame de Champlain's maid looks on, centre. The special Centennial-flavored fashion show will be presented in Milton High School auditorium on January 26 by Milton's two I.O.D.E. Chapters.

Bond-Wilson wedding

Kathleen Alexandra Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wilson of 390 Woodward Ave., Milton, became the wife of Ralph David Bond of Milton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bond of Canso, Nova Scotia, on December 10 in Grace Anglican Church, Milton.

The church was decorated with bouquets of white chrysanthemums, white snapdragons and pink carnations for the double-ring ceremony.

The rites were performed by Rev. Dr. Thomas Dustan with Mrs. A. J. Ledwith as organist.

The bride wore a knee-length gown of white lace with a white net headdress. She carried pink roses and white carnations.

Miss Sandra Fox, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, wearing a dress of blue with white accessories. She carried white carnations and pink sweetheart roses.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Groomsman was Russell Inglis, friend of the groom.

Following the ceremony, the reception was held at the bride's home with 20 people present.

Mrs. Alexander Wilson received for her daughter in a teal blue wool dress with matching hat and a corsage of pink roses.

For the departure from the reception, the bride wore a teal blue suit with black accessories and a corsage of pink sweetheart roses.

They will be residing at Milton Court Apartments, Ontario St.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Par-ton, grandparents of the bride, and Mrs. Raymond Webster, grand-aunt of the

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Reception honors newlywed couple

By Mrs. George Pelletterio
About 150 friends and neighbors were welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Cartwright on Saturday afternoon and evening to meet the newlyweds, Sharon and Amrit Kajuria.

Donna Meredith of the R.C. N., Shearwater, N.S., is vacationing at her home for the next two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pelletterio and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sinclair attended the milk marketing board convention, banquet, entertainment and dance at the Royal York Hotel last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Pelletterio of Applewood Heights, Cooksville, were dinner guests on Sunday with the Pelletterios.

A miscellaneous shower for Wilma Sharpe was held on Monday night at the home of Mrs. William Meredith. Wilma was the recipient of many lovely gifts.

Growth of Canadian church study for centennial year

The Ladies' Aid of Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church met on Thursday, January 4 at the home of Mrs. Cliff Nicholson. The president, Mrs. V. Morris, opened the meeting by reading from "Thoughts for Today". The hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers" was sung, followed by the Lord's Prayer. The minutes were read by Mrs. J. Roberts and approved.

A discussion took place about the good work and interest of the Boys' Club of the Church and \$25 was to be given to them to help with their projects. Presbyterian calendars were sold and orders taken to help the boys. The last quilt was sold and a date arranged for a future quilting on January 10 at Mrs. Mullen's home. The meeting closed with the hymn: "Stand up, stand up for Jesus".

The Women's Missionary Society held their meeting immediately following, with Mrs. Mullen presiding. Arrangements were made for the World Day of Prayer to be held February 10 at the church with the women of Ebenezer Church attending as guests. The Scripture, Apostles 1, 1-14 was read by Mrs. Cox, and Mrs. Beck led in prayer. Mrs. Roberts gave a short and pertinent New Year's verse.

Mrs. Norris then took the first lesson from the new study book: "The Church Grows in Canada". Members were advised to be ready to accept the challenge to move forward in our church and community. This study book is especially planned for this centennial year.

A short history of Canada was given with mention of the French beginnings of our country and the fact that French Canada sent more than their share of missionaries to the world. In 1764 the first Presbyterian missionary was sent

out to Londonderry, Nova Scotia. Then United Empire Loyalists came to Canada. Many immigrants regretted the "silent sabbaths" where only laymen took charge but who could not conduct a session meeting. Then a presbytery, necessary for the ordination of ministers, was formed and so the church grew.

The hostess, Mrs. Nicholson, was thanked for her kindness in offering her home for meetings and the hymn: "Standing at the Portal of the Opening Year" was sung to complete the afternoon.

Manor bazaar will honor Halton towns

A different Halton town will be honored each year in a Spring Bazaar under the organization of Halton Centennial Manor Women's Auxiliary, it was decided at the W.A.'s regular monthly meeting Wednesday.

Mrs. Stan Allen, president, welcomed the Auxiliary back after the holiday season, and introduced one new member. It is hoped that by featuring the towns, one per bazaar annually, all towns will eventually have helped at one program.

The Auxiliary would be pleased to hear of any groups who would volunteer to help in decorating a wing of the Manor for different seasons or days, like Easter, Spring, Fall, Halloween or Christmas.

Handicraft work sessions will begin at 2 p.m., Thursday, January 12, and every week thereafter.

The meeting was adjourned and the Auxiliary inspected pictures pasted into a Manor history by Mrs. A. Wilson. Previous to the meeting, a pot luck luncheon was held.



—Photo by W. Merle Gunby
LINDA LAURA GUNBY, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burdge R. Gunby, West Town Line, Burlington, became the bride of Eric Karu of Petawawa on December 30 in Lowville United Church.

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