

RICHVALE

There was a good attendance at Sunday School and Church service last Sunday. The Sunday School children are practicing for their Christmas entertainment to be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19th. Further details later.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher on the death of Mrs. Fletcher's mother, Mrs. Hagen.

The W.A. will hold a social at the home of Mrs. Baker Sr., Carrville Road, on Wednesday, Dec. 13th, at 2 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Mr. Jones, Oak Avenue, is very ill this week. His many friends hope he will soon be feeling better.

THORNHILL

The regular monthly meeting and election of officers of the United Church W.M.S. was held Tuesday in the Sunday School room, with the president, Mrs. C. Spencer, in the chair. Devotional exercises were taken by Mrs. Spencer. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Pres., Mrs. C. Spencer; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. J. Wesley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. P. Johns; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. Simpson; Treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Munroe; Missionary Monthly Secretary, Miss A. Boyle; Literature Secretary, Mrs. M. McLean; Christian Stewardship and Finance, Mrs. N. J. Smellie; Strangers' Secretary, Mrs. S. Elson; Home Helpers Secretary, Mrs. J. Wells; Temperance, Mrs. J. L. McDonald; Press Secretary, Mrs. N. J. Smellie; Pianist, Mrs. S. Elson.

The Women's Institute will meet next Thursday, Dec. 14th, at the home of Mrs. J. A. Thompson, Yonge Street. There will be an exchange of Xmas presents, also the draw will be taken for the hope chest and for ten other prizes. The members are asked to hand in their tickets and also donations for the hope chest. The hostesses will be Mrs. Wiltshire, Mrs. Wilcocks, Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Allison. Do not forget the date, Dec. 14th, at 2:30 p.m.

White Gift Sunday For the past years "White Gift Sunday" has been observed at the United Church Sunday School and it has brought Christmas cheer to many needy families, with the generous and suitable gifts that have been given. On Sunday, Dec. 17th, it will again be observed and will be an opportunity to send gifts to the poor and needy of the down town district.

Women's Association Th regular monthly meeting of the W.A. of the United Church will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 13th, at 3 o'clock, in the S. S. rooms. Election of officers will take place at this meeting and Rev. E. E. Pugsley will preside. The hostesses will be Mrs. F. Farr, Mrs. Echlin, Mrs. W. Dean and Mrs. S. Davies. The ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

Motion pictures of Japan and a talk on the mining area of Ontario

constituted the educational part of the program on Monday evening at the Presbyterian Young People's Society. This was followed by a comedy lending much laughter to the closing of the evening. Next Monday will be social evening, the president wishes all Presbyterian Young People to be present.

Mrs. R. Thompson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Thompson, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bryan Sharples and Joan of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Smellie.

The Young Men's Class of the United Church will meet next Tuesday evening, Dec. 12th, at the parsonage. Rev. H. N. Noble will address the meeting.

Mrs. W. Hickley of Allenwood visited last week with Mrs. J. Wells.

A business meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wilcox, Thornhill for the members of the Trinity Women's Club on Tuesday, Dec. 12th, at 8 p.m.

WOODBIDGE DISTRICT NEWS

Thieves Take 150 Chickens At One Swoop

Chicken thieves invaded the premises of Roy Livingston, Lot 5, Con. 9 by cutting th wire of two five foot fences at a remote distance from the house, and made a clean-up of 150 birds, leaving only 19. A large padlock on the door of the hen pen was broken.

United Church Thank-Offering Service

Mrs. W. E. Forbes of Weston, first Vice-President of the Dominion Board of the Women's Society, had charge in the United Church on Sunday last it being the occasion of the Thank-Offering service. Mrs. Forbes told of her experiences in the work of Missions.

White Gifts Presented By The Sunday School

White Gifts were presented on the altar of the United Church by the Sunday School classes on Sunday morning. During the singing of a Missionary Hymn each class was represented and a large number of parcels were placed. Together with supplies from the Young Women's Auxiliary gifts will be shipped to the West Mission field in time for Christmas distribution.

Y.P.S. Presents Christmas Pageant

Y.P.S. of Woodbridge United Church met for their weekly meeting in the Sunday School room and featured a Christmas program. Alvin Wood, convenor of Fellowship night, conducted the program with Scripture readings by Esther Bessey and Evraerd Kellam and lesson explained by Laura Neale bearing on the Birth of Christ, Christmas Message by Marjorie Blake, reading "How Tim's Prayer was Answered" by Mary J. Burton, instrumental solo by Marie Allan, prayer by Mrs. Doane. A special offering was "The First Christmas," a pageant with the following members taking part, Lynas Glass, Gordon Bagg, Mary McLan, Jessie Watson, Charlie McLean, Ross Cameron, Bert Shore, Enid Shore, Audrey Jones and Mary Bagg. Christmas carols were sung by Kathleen Bagg. Recreation hour and refreshments closed the meeting.

Auxiliary Bazaar Big Success

One of the annual outstanding Church events of the Community is the Christ Church Bazaar each year held at the home of Misses Bessie and Mary Wallace, Pine Street, and sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary. On Thursday night of last week the Wallace home was thronged with people attracted by an excellent supper and display of many useful articles which sold readily. Rev. J. H. Kidd started things going with an appropriate address, and Mrs. Kidd, acting matron, mingled with the assemblage. Those in charge of the different departments were: Fancy Goods, Mrs. Lulu Willis and Mrs. T. Cole; Aprons, smocks and quilts, Mrs. Fred. Stark and Mrs. Earl Ring; Touch and take, flowers and baking, Mrs. John Robb and Mrs. Sid. Stratford; Tea room, Mrs. F. W. Hicks, Mrs. Murray Ingram, Miss Olive Wallace, Miss Drew Maxey, Miss Olive Weatherill, Miss Annie Kersey, Mrs. F. Elliston, Mrs. H. Hugill, Mrs. A. W. Weatherill, Mrs. Rymill, Mrs. G. Maxey, Mrs. Bert Marston, Mrs. Cowdry, Miss Violet Watts. Auxiliary executive is President, Mrs. F. W. Hicks; Secretary, Miss Bessie Wallace; Treasurer Mrs. H. N. Smith.

Christ Church Celebrates 12th Anniversary

On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, Christ church celebrated the 12th anniversary of the opening of the new brick structure replacing the original frame church built in 1850, and destroyed by fire on Sunday morning, Feb. 21st, 1921. It was opened for public worship on a Sunday in December of the same year Archbishop Sweeney conducted the morning service, and in the afternoon the service was divided between Bishop Sweeney and Canon Skeay. Rev. R. B. Patterson, now of Oshawa, was the Rector.

The origin of the Church dates back to about 1837 when Canon Harry B. Osler who conducted a mission at Lloydtown for the benefit of the soldiers who occupied a barracks at Lloydtown during the rebellion of 1837. Canon Osler started church service and conducted Sunday School at the top of the Pine Grove Hill near where the school house stands. Later a church building was erected half way between Woodbridge (then called Berwick) and Pine Grove which made it convenient for communicants of both Villages. Rev. C. H. Short during his life in Woodbridge enjoyed a degree of unlimited popularity by all denominations, and many friends were delighted when it was announced that he would return on Sunday last following an absence

of 42 years and occupy the pulpit on the occasion of the 13th anniversary of the church's opening. There was a large attendance from both United and Presbyterian Churches and the eagerness displayed by all to meet their friend of long ago, grasp him by the hand, and express words of welcome is just more evidence of his popularity. Mr. Short is a native of Port Hope, his father, Rev. Dr. Jonathan Short, having been Rector at Port Hope for many years. He came to Woodbridge as a student in 1879, was ordained in 1881, and was assistant to the late Rev. Ford, Rector in charge at that time. In 1886 Mr. Ford vacated the charge and Mr. Short was appointed Rector which position he held until 1891 when he went to St. Cythrian Anglican church Toronto, as its Rector, and later to the well known St. Thomas Church. In 1900 he went to Japan where he was in the Missionary field until 1918 when he returned to Canada and was appointed President of a theological College at Vancouver, and but recently retired to live in Toronto.

W.M.S. Hear Mrs. W. E. Forbes

The Women's Society of the Woodbridge United Church observed their Thank-offering services on Sunday morning when Mr. W. E. Forbes of Weston, 1st Vice-President of the Dominion Board, brought a very inspiring message and outlined the great developments in the Mission fields in the West, and her personal experience in the work added much interest to her address.

Elwood Robb who fell from a barn some time ago and was rushed to Peel Memorial Hospital under care of Dr. W. E. Berry has been transferred to Toronto Western Hospital, an operation having been found necessary.

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Y.P.S. services were cancelled here Sunday evening to allow those who wished an opportunity to attend a meeting in Maple United Church under the auspices of the Oxford Movement.

Several of the young people from this vicinity are taking part in the coming Christmas concert at the Sixth Line School.

There was a very good attendance at the Hitchcock and Macdonald Shooting Match on November 30th, and some excellent shooting with rifle and shot gun. Those winning with rifles, Curly Boyington, Brown's Corners, ten roosters; George Agar, Victoria Square, five; Jack Frisby, three; Robert Agar, one; J. Stephens, one. With shot guns for geese, Wm. Cooper, 2; Art Lawrie 2; and J. Shunk, 1. In the five rounds Cooper 86, Lawrie 85, Shunk 81 points. Scores in rifle shooting, George Agar and C. Boyington 194 each out of a possible 200, J. Frisby 188.

Mr. and Mrs. Garner and Mr. Ed. Garner, Toronto, visited at Wm. Marwood's on Sunday.

Miss Marion Kyle is recovering from an operation of having tonsils removed and is home from Toronto for two weeks.

Mrs. S. Hart is in Toronto for two or three days.

Mrs. Moody of Toronto spent several days with her sister, Miss Ella McLaughlin.

Miss K. Ireland visited her sister, Mrs. Watt, at Thistleton.

Jubilee Greetings

Sincere congratulations and best wishes to the people of Richmond Hill on this 60th anniversary of the incorporation of the Village.

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Shop Early Your Christmas Store Phone 119 Yonge St., Richmond Hill Davies' Dry Goods Store SANTA CLAUS arrives in Richmond Hill on Sat. Dec. 9 Santa will be met on his arrival at the North End of the Town by the Richmond Hill Trumpet Band and escorted down Yonge Street to our store. Parents of the village and surrounding district are invited to bring the children, when each will be greeted by Santa Claus and presented with a suitable toy from 2.30 to 5 p.m. Everybody has an equal chance to win one of the three handsome prizes which we are giving away this year. The prizes, two beautiful Floor Lamps are now on display in our windows. A third prize will be announced at a later date. Our store and windows now have a Christmasy effect, with a large variety of merchandise and fancy articles for Christmas and New Year presents. We would appreciate your co-operation by making your purchases early. We will as heretofore pack for postage, or lay aside until required. SEE THE DISPLAY OF KNITTED GOODS SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS MADE IN OUR OWN KNITTING MILLS IN RICHMOND HILL A fine assortment of China and Glassware, ideal for Christmas Gifts. Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

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