

WEEKLY NEWS NOTES FROM THE UNIONVILLE DISTRICT

ON HALLOWE'EN

Hallowe'en's the time for fun, indoors all the fires boasting— To their crackling, hark! Snappy chestnuts turning, roasting, Big marshmallows burning, toasting, While we children play at "ghosting" On the stairways—in the corners— Oh, so dark! Hallowe'en's the time for fun; Outdoors, jack-o-lanterns blinking, And to show them how, Happy little stars all winking, Hush! There goes a witch, I'm thinking; Ho! It's just our black cat slinking By, with his me-ow me-ow. Me-me-ow. Hallowe'en's the time for fun; Outdoors, outdoors something doing Everywhere about; Witches with their broom sticks showing, Spooks and goblins all "Hoo-hoo-ing" They will get you, if you Don't—watch—out.

Anniversary services will be held in Central United Church on Sunday next, Rev. C. C. Washington of Toronto will officiate at the morning service and Rev. W. D. MacDonald at the evening service. The musical service will be given by the local choir under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Braithwaite assisted by Mr. Chas. Stephenson of Toronto and St. Andrew's United Church Markham Male Quartette. On the Tuesday following a Hot Fowl Supper will be given in the Township Hall from 6 to 8 p.m., after which a highly recommended concert will be presented by the Danforth United Church Orchestra and Muriel Riddell, elocutionist. Reserve the dates and plan to attend.

The annual Thank-offering meeting of Ebenezer United Church W.M.S. Auxiliary with Mrs. Jas. Macklin presiding and held on Wednesday afternoon last brought a large attendance that included representatives from Markham, Unionville, Brown's Corners and Agincourt Auxiliaries. The guest speaker, Mrs. Dr. Kilbourne spoke interestingly on her services in China where a Missionary for forty years she had varied experiences, mostly in the Hospital work. Mrs. C. Crawford opened the meeting with appropriate prayer and Mrs. R. L. Stiver in charge of the Devotional period. Appreciated solos were given by Mrs. German of Markham and Mrs. A. G. Gormley of Unionville. Following the offering an offertory hymn was sung. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the program giving the ladies opportunity to meet in a delightful social hour.

Two hundred and fifty young people made merry at the Township Hall on Saturday evening last, when the local Junior Farmers and Girls Clubs entertained the Vellore J.F. Clubs. The program was in charge of the local organization and splendid talks were given by Mr. Gilbert Agar and Miss Beatty on "How to make proper use of your leisure time" and "Advantages to be derived from Dramatics." John Moscow, the club's own virtuoso, delighted the gathering with his violin solos. Lunch and the usual hour of tripping the light fantastic to the strains of the J.F. orchestra brought the delightful event to a close.

Still another honor for the Junior Farmers with Donald Bagg and Lorne Petch as winners in the Calf Club competition.

The interesting topic "400th Anniversary of Luther's Translation of the Bible," was ably discussed by Ewart Stiver at the regular meeting of the Luther Guild of Bethesda Lutheran Church on Tuesday evening last. Mr. Nelson Smith had charge of the devotional period.

Mrs. Jas. I. Dickson, missionary to Formosa and now home on furlough, brought her hearers in intimate touch with the work accomplished through the missionary's home, at the annual Thank-offering meeting held by St. Andrew's Scarboro W.M.S. Auxiliary on Wednesday afternoon last. Great encouragement is given regarding the work in Formosa and many people are anxious to hear the gospel message. On one occasion, the attendance being so large, three different congregations filled the edifice before all could hear the message. Going to the

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH, Unionville

Sunday, Oct. 28th Rev. C. C. Washington, 11 a.m. Rev. W. D. MacDonald, 7 p.m. Choir assisted by Mr. Chas. Stephenson and Male Quartet from St. Andrew's Church, Markham

Hot Fowl Supper TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30th 6-8 p. m. Program by Danforth United Church Orchestra & Muriel Riddell, Reader Admission 50c. and 25c.

great crowds on another occasion, the huge crowd listened intently as the story of the life of Christ was told by illustrated slides, the pictures shown on the rear white wall of a nearby Buddhist temple. The Formosans are very sincere in their religion and hasten to tell their friends about the Savior they have learned about. Miss Sturterling gave an interesting resume of the missionary work in St. Andrew's congregation that had its inception in 1876 when a small group undertook to adopt an orphan and become responsible for the care and education of the child. A mite box in the Church Lobby for freewill offerings was the only means used to secure financial aid. In 1889 the first Home Mission was formed and later saw the foreign missionary society organized. The amalgamation of the societies formed the beginning of the W.M.S. Auxiliary now working so zealously in that congregation. Many familiar names of the pioneers were recorded in this interesting report. St. Andrews has always been known as a missionary church and many missionaries have been given to the ranks of service through inspiration received there. Representatives from Knox United, Knox Presbyterian, Agincourt, Zion United, Wexford; West Hill Presbyterian W.M.S. Auxiliaries were in attendance at this meeting. Following the program afternoon tea was served in the Sunday School room to the guests. Mrs. A. L. Burch and Mrs. Newall presiding at the tea table. At this informal social hour the ladies had the opportunity of more intimate acquaintance with Mrs. Dickson and seeing the interesting collection of photographs of Formosa. A substantial offering for missionary purposes was received, Mrs. Sturterling offering the offertory prayer. Mrs. A. L. Burch presided.

Nut cracking, bobbing for apples and masquerading would have seemed quite out of place on Hallowe'en years ago, when November was a day of religious Thanksgiving. For one thousand years, probably for a much longer time, the nations of the north of Europe had an assembly on that day on which to offer prayers and praise to the numerous Gods and Goddesses. One of the chief among them after Odin, the all Father, was Frigg of the Earth. As the festival was in the nature of a harvest home, Frigg was the queen of the day and was thought to be the patron of all true love. For that reason she was often consulted by means of charms, many of which are still put into service by superstitious folk on Hallowe'en.

When the converted pagans gave up worshipping their gods and goddesses they did not forget them. Beautiful Frigg was no longer worshipped but she became a witch in character. The broom stick she carries shows her protection of mortals from Frigg is supposed to sweep stormclouds from the sky and brush away all trials from those who turned to her for help. "Hallows" was the Saxon word for saints and so, of course, their Christian festival became "Hallowmas" and the evening before, "Hallowe'en." And now the celebration that began as a heathen festival is an occasion for pranks and merry making and good-natured fun with never a thought of religious observance.

Many friends express regret for the serious illness of Mr. A. J. Campin following a serious operation at Wellesley Hospital and extend best wishes for a speedy recovery. Mrs. Campin is also kindly remembered in the especially trying hour.

A representation of members of Central United W.M.S. attended the Thank-offering meeting of Agincourt and Ebenezer Auxiliaries during the past week. Dr. J. R. Irwin, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. and Mrs. Irwin of Rochester, N. Y., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harrington on Monday last. Dr. Irwin is a noted specialist in Arthritis with many successful recoveries to his credit and along with Mrs. Irwin is enroute to Los Angeles, Calif., for the winter months. They plan to live in the great outdoors, and carry with them by trailer a cabin that is equipped with all the necessary comforts and which is collapsible when not in use. They plan to go via New Orleans and across the southern United States.

Miss Margaret Reesor and Miss Elizabeth Reesor of Silver Spring were guests of Miss E. B. Russell on Wednesday last. Mrs. Sanderson of Canadian N. West in the guest of Mrs. Cora Caldwell. Mr. Alex MacGregor of Toronto called on friends in town this week. Mrs. J. A. Gibson spent the weekend with her niece, Miss Mary Gibson of Toronto.

Mrs. S. Ball of Colebrook was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Milner last week. Mr. Oswald Dyke was an interesting speaker at Central United Church on Sunday evening when he related

Social and Personal

Junior Choir Practice Friday evening at 7 o'clock in the Sunday School room of the United Church. Parents are invited to attend this first practice.

Professor Chant of the University of Toronto will be the guest speaker at a banquet in the United Church Tuesday, Nov. 6th, at 6.30 p.m.

Miss Lillian Rumble is visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Proctor in Irondale this week.

Rev. C. J. Bailey of Creemore occupied the pulpit in the local United Church on Sunday in the absence of the pastor who conducted Anniversary Services in his charge.

The choir of Richmond Hill United Church took part in the Anniversary Service at Wexford last Sunday evening. Miss Olive Switzer and Messrs. Rand Phipps and Lauter Glass sang solos. Headford United Church choir assisted in the local church here on Sunday evening in the absence of the choir.

A masquerade dance will be held in Maple Community Hall Hallowe'en night, Oct. 31st. Mike Catanni and his seven piece band will supply the music.

A shower for the St. Mary's Women's Association annual Bazaar was held at the home of Mrs. R. S. Mason Tuesday evening. The annual bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 10th, and it will be officially opened by Mrs. W. P. Mulock, wife of Col. W. P. Mulock, M.P., for North York.

LARGE ROOTS A fine large mangel and a monstrous turnip grown by J. A. Valher of Markham Township have been on display in The Liberal Office window this week. The mangel weighs 19 pounds and the turnip 23 pounds.

CONCORD L. O. L. CHURCH PARADE

The annual church parade of the Maple Leaf L.O.L. Concord will take place at Maple United Church, Sunday, Nov. 11th. Brethren are asked to meet in Maple Masonic Hall at 6.30 p.m. and parade to services which will be held at 7 p.m.

CURLERS ELECT OFFICERS

At the curling club held Monday night the following officers were elected for the year: President, F. H. Coulter; Vice-President, Frank Dolan; Secretary, J. W. Hornell; Treasurer, F. Hoover; Executive Committee, F. J. Mansbridge, C. P. Wiley, W. W. A. Trench and G. Moodie.

MASQUERADE DANCE

A masquerade dance will be held in the Community Hall, Maple, Wednesday, Oct. 31st. Mike Catanni and his orchestra will supply the music. Cameron Walkington, floor manager. Prizes for representative costumes. Admission 25 cents. Under auspices of the Community Hall Executive.

APPEAL TO CITIZENS ON BEHALF PUBLIC SCHOOL RELIEF FUND

Once again we have commenced a new "school year." Once again winter is drawing near and some children are wondering what they will wear because employment and prosperity to many are still "Just around the corner." Once again we must try to keep up our Richmond Hill Public School Fund to help the needy. Already we are receiving notes saying—"Children cannot come to school because they have no boots," or it may be they lack clothes.

We had some money left over from last year and have been able to supply all needs so far. But our funds are almost exhausted and we are compelled to remind our generous friends in our School Section of the fact. Your generosity in the past has brightened many children, comforted many children and kept up the high standing of the school. No donation to small and all are thankfully received. Thanking you on behalf of the teachers, M. L. McCONAGHY, 3 Centre St., West.

The final test of breeding is to be polite to people you don't need in your business.

his experiences as student missionary during the summer months in the Canadian North West.

The illness of Mrs. Gordon Ogden in Wellesley Hospital is regretted by a large circle of friends and best wishes are extended for her speedy recovery. CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH UNIONVILLE Pastor—Rev. A. E. Owen 10 a.m.—Church School. 11 a.m.—Anniversary Sunday. Rev. C. C. Washington, Toronto. 7 p.m.—Rev. W. D. MacDonald, Agincourt. 8 p.m., Monday—Y.P.S. EBENEZER UNITED CHURCH 1.30 p.m.—Church School. 2.30 p.m.—Rev. A. E. Owen. St. Philips Anglican Church Rev. J. J. Robbins 10 a.m.—Church School. 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY IN RINK NEXT WEDNESDAY

The young folks and the old folks as well are cordially invited to join in the "Kids' Hallowe'en Party" to be held in Richmond Hill arena next Wednesday evening, October 31st. The event is sponsored by the municipal council and directed by a citizens' committee of which James McLean is the chairman. A splendid program has been prepared and there is a jolly time in store for all.

Commencing at 7.30 p.m. a parade headed by the Richmond Hill Trumpet Band will form up at Little's Garage at the north end of the town and will proceed to the rink. Children are invited to attend in costume but all the kiddies whether in costume or not are asked to join in the procession. Parade marshalls will be A. G. Savage, W. J. Taylor and R. D. Little. Prizes for costumes are: best boy's costume, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50 cents, 3rd 25 cents; best girl's costume, 1st \$1.00, 2nd 50 cents, 3rd 25 cents. The judging will be by a committee headed by T. H. Trench.

After the great parade reaches the arena the crowd will be welcomed by Reeve J. A. Greene and Chairman James McLean who will act as Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Then there will be a lacrosse match between the Young Canucks and Night Hawks two local juvenile teams. There will also be a novel feature in the form of a girls' lacrosse game which will be something new and entirely different. A girls' team from the public school will play a team from the high school and it will be interesting to see just how well the girls can handle the lacrosse sticks. These lacrosse games will be run right along without any waste time. As soon as the boys' team leave the floor for intermission the girls' game will go on. After the lacrosse games there will be a one hour program of moving pictures. Some splendid films have been procured and this should prove a real treat.

After the movie program a treat will be given to all the boys and girls after which they are expected to go straight home without doing any Hallowe'en pranks.

This big community party is in the nature of an experiment. In other years expenditure has been made for extra police and merchants and house holders individually have shelled out at the demand of the Hallowe'en revellers. This big party which is free to all is given to take the place of these annual "shell outs" and it is hoped the young people of the town will co-operate.

JOINT Y. P. COUNCIL DANCE

"Young People" — Let's make this year's Joint Tennis Dance, under the auspices of Richmond Hill Young People's Council, a bigger and better success than before. Why not come? Friday, October 26th, at 8.30 p.m., in the High School Gymnasium.

Bring all your friends and enjoy yourself. Novelty dances and refreshments.

VETERANS ATTENTION

The annual church parade of the Richmond Hill and district veterans will take place to the United Church, Sunday, Nov. 4th. All veterans whether affiliated or not are invited to join in this service. Parade will form up at Little's Garage, North Yonge Street at 10.30 a.m.

Veterans are also asked to meet at Little's Garage, Sunday, Nov. 11th, at 2.30 p.m., to attend the Armistice Day services at the Richmond Hill memorial.

"PRESBYTERIAN ACTIVITIES"

Last Monday night, the Presbyterian Young People's Society started their Autumn work with the election of officer-bearers. A very fine executive was appointed, with Mr. Jack Beresford as President. A good season is anticipated and all young people are cordially invited to their meetings.

The choir is having an "Afternoon Tea" at the home of Mrs. K. Blanchard on Centre Street next Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 p.m. A hearty invitation is extended to all to join in this afternoon social function.

On Saturday evening the Sunday School is having their Hallowe'en Party. Supper will be served at 6.30 p.m., after which games will be enjoyed and then the best dressed boy and girl will receive their prizes. All boys and girls of the Sunday School and Church will receive a very warm welcome. Come with a BIG smile and a Funny-dress.

The ladies of the Church are making elaborate plans for their annual Autumn Bazaar which will be held in the Church Hall Saturday afternoon, Nov. 3rd. Afternoon tea and supper will be served. Home-cooking and Fancy-work will be on sale. A good opportunity for a unique Christmas gift.

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