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Orange Home Annual Meeting



For many years the Loyal True Blue and Orange Home north of Richmond Hill has been an honoured institution providing a good home training and start in life for hundreds of children. The Directors of the Home, the men and women who guide its worthwhile work are shown above at the annual meeting held this week. Front row, left to right: Miss L. Connor, Rev. W. L.

Lawrence, secretary; C. M. Carrie, 1st vice-president; E. F. Reid, president; Miss Zoe Free, 2nd vice-president; James A. Stewart, treasurer; W. J. Moon, director.

Back row, directors, Mrs. Emily Dix, Mrs. Sadie Harrison, Mrs. Myrtle Sproats, Wm. Petherick, Mrs. Etta Hunter, W. A. Cunningham, Mrs. Rose Sexsmith, Mrs. Beth Harvey.

— Photo by Lagerquist

The annual meeting of the Board of Management of the True Blue and Orange Home, Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill, was held at the home last Saturday.

A sumptuous lunch was served to the Board and a number of guests in the children's main dining hall, which was beautifully decorated. Obviously the staff and the children had worked hard to give the visitors a wonderful time during their brief visit to the home.

Following the dinner, Mr. McPherson and three of the guests were called upon to address the meeting. They were Dr. J. P. Wilson, who is the Medical Officer responsible for the maintenance of the health of the children at the home, the Rev. J. F. O'Neil, and Mr. Paul Delmer of "The Liberal".

Mr. McPherson said the home was in need of a record player and he hoped that those who administered the funds would provide one.

Rev. O'Neil after thanking the

Matron and staff for their wonderful hospitality, said that a magnificent job had been done by Board of Management in equipping and managing the home, and paid tribute to the Matron and her staff for the truly splendid job they had done across the years. Dr. Wilson said that the health of the children had continued and a surprisingly good health it had few sicknesses and troubles of a medical nature. This spoke for the fine conditions in which the children lived.

Mr. Delmer, admitting to be the infant of the party in knowledge of the home, said that it was as he had seen in recent

months, a local landmark and one of which the town and district was proud. He said the townspeople held a deep affection for the children and were always willing to co-operate in every way to assist the welfare of the children. Businessmen and local clubs took a considerable interest in the welfare of the children. Businessmen and local clubs took a considerable interest in the home. He had no difficulty in obtaining assistance with transport and hospitality on two occasions recently when he had arranged outings locally. The people were very fine in their attitude to the home in this manner and he thought they would do a lot more.

He added his compliments to those of the minister in thanking the matron and her staff for the splendid job of hospitality, and at this stage the matron and staff were invited to come forward to hear the thanks of the Board and guests through the Board's President. The matron and staff received a hearty vote of thanks and a loud round of applause.

After the lunch meeting the Board was photographed and went on to the boardroom to complete their annual meeting, studying accounts and planning for the year ahead.

MARKHAM: A panel of four told the 91st annual convention of the Markham Township Sunday School Association last week, "the teaching of basic Christian principles should be promoted in the home and not left entirely in the lap of the Sunday School."

Christian Youth Week Marked In St. Matthews

Emphasis is placed in this week on the significance of youth in our church life and program. This is underlined in St. Matthews' with special events. On Monday evening of this week the C.G.I.T. and Explorers, mid-week groups of girls, held their annual affiliation ceremony with the Woman's Missionary Society of the church, signifying that the girls have a part in the missionary education program, and in the support of Christian work overseas. Mrs. R. Robbins, President of the local auxiliary federation, and Mrs. L. Mumberson and Mrs. P. Bennett representing the W.M.S. Presbyterial, assisted in the service. Misses Ingrid Haessler, Sandra

Wilson and Donna Fleming represented the girls in the meeting, and led devotions. A number of mothers were present with the girls. And arrangements were well taken care of by Mrs. Ursula Joyce and her capable staff of leaders.

Next Sunday, the junior choir will lead the music in the morning service. In the evening a special service of youth will be held when the Rev. R. Rumble of the Evangelical Church for the Deaf in Toronto will be the guest speaker. Mr. Rumble is a particularly effective speaker for youth, and the young of the community are heartily invited to attend the service.

Church Annual Meeting Richmond Hill United

There was a fine turnout of members and adherents for the Annual Meeting of Richmond Hill United Church on Wednesday evening, January 27. Rev. Charles G. Higginson presided and led the opening worship. Mr. Drummond Fraser led in a prayer of thanksgiving for blessings received and of intercession for God's guidance and blessing on the meeting and the days ahead. Mr. Ralph Wood was appointed secretary and Mrs. Wood as pianist for the meeting.

Dr. Gordon K. Martin led in a brief memorial tribute to the thirty members and adherents who passed on during 1959.

A report comprising 17 pages of typescript was distributed and Mr. Frank Southwell reviewed the report orally, highlighting the notable achievements of the year. This review shows 64 new members received during 1959, 20 of them on profession of faith. Total resident membership is now 957.

The Budget for 1960 totals \$23,000.00 for current operating expenses. Total income in all departments and organizations for 1959 was well over \$63,000.00. Missionary and Maintenance givings showed a modest gain. The donation to Building Fund were \$26,886.21. The debt-retiring program on the new Christian Education Building is making gratifying progress. Many additions were made to the furnishings and equipment during the past year, including a fine P. A. system in the Main Hall. Mr. John Pounder supervised the installation.

The Christian Education Committee has established a teachers' and leaders' Library and a Literature Rack. This will include a reference shelf, books, magazines film-strips, records etc. A portable phonograph has been purchased to facilitate the use of the new film-strip and record combinations offered in the visual-aid field. Two young people, Miss Shirley McGregor and Robin Wood were sent to a Hi-Teen Conference at the Pine Oaks Training Centre at Paris during the Christmas holidays. They had an inspiring experience and made a fine report on their return.

The Sunday Church School enrolment is over 800, and the staff numbers 78. Tribute was paid to their faithfulness and spirit. Every room in the new building is fully occupied on Sunday mornings, and some classes have moved back into the old building to find a quiet place for study. To see this young army on the move on Sunday morning is to realize the great challenge to service; that they all may be led into the Christian Way.

Another great achievement of the year was the completion of the new Chapel, a gem of beauty and ideal worship atmosphere. The evening worship of the con-

gregation is held here except on special occasions. There is seating for 70 worshippers. On Sunday mornings it is well-filled with the two youth, mixed Bible Classes. They conduct their own worship and then separate for study.

Week-day groups of boys and girls are thriving under excellent leadership. A Scout troop and two Cub packs care for the boys. The Girls are in C. G. I. T. and Explorers; while a Mission Band group cares for the younger boys and girls.

The Women's Association had an excellent year under the Presidency of Mrs. Donald Bain, and Mrs. Clare Atkinson with the Evening Group. They have recently re-organized on a group system with Mrs. Norman Gibson as President.

The Harriet Taylor Auxiliary of W. M. S. under the leadership of Mrs. A. S. Elson and the Evening Auxiliary under Mrs. George Irwin, both report a successful year.

The AOTS Men's Club reorganized in the fall and is now affiliated with the National organization of AOTS United Church Men's Clubs. Mr. Clare Atkinson is the president, and with a strong executive, they are out to achieve great things in the days ahead. The men have enjoyed fine dinner meetings by the good offices of the women of the W. A.

The choir has grown in numbers. They are making a fine spiritual and musical contribution to the worship of the congregation under Mr. Franz Loesgen's leadership.

Mr. Reg Baker reported for the Nominating Committee and the election followed with these results: Elders re-elected for a three-year term: P. E. Angle, G. Fenwick, D. Fraser, S. Harwood, R. J. Miller, F. W. Morrow, Dr. J. P. Wilson, W. C. Wilson and Ralph Wood. New Elders chosen were: W. T. Ankenman, R. Sheppard, E. L. Gibson, and A. Stone. Stewards re-elected: J. W. Bonnell, T. N. Graeden, W. B. Hahney, J. E. Scrimger, C. M. Riach, and A. W. R. Uren. New Stewards are: P. Addison, W. Morris, J. Jefferson and R. Bell. Trustee: J. R. Scrimger.

Nominating Committee for 1960: R. Kerslake (Chairman), G. Robinson, Mrs. L. D. Clement and Mrs. D. Bain.

After the conclusion of business warm personal tributes were paid: Mr. Lauder Glass, Clerk of Session addressing the Minister, Rev. Charles G. Higginson, on behalf of the Congregation; Mrs. Ross Scrimger to the Assistant, John Spanner. Mr. William Wilson spoke warmly of the great contribution of the Women, in every area of the life of the Church.

Refreshments were served and a most pleasant social hour brought the evening to a close.

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