

Coming Events

Scout And Cub News

1st Beverley Acres Scout Troop.
"Most enjoyable" was the unanimous opinion of all the scouts present at the annual Christmas party held by the 1st Beverley Acres Scout Troop on Tuesday night.

Never a dull moment — with a variety of games played under the direction of the three leaders — Scoutmaster Norman Foster, A. S. M's Ron Johnston and Chuck Trumpphour.

Amusing skits were presented by various groups and the highlight of the evening was the presentation of a film by Rover Squire Robin Derrick, taken in 1960 of the 1st Beverley Acres summer camp at Haliburton.

It is the intention of this Troop to hold their 1964 camp at the same location, next summer.

Refreshments provided and served by the 1st Beverley Acres Scouts' Ladies Auxiliary rounded out this enjoyable evening.

In the sunshine and cool crisp air of Sunday last, the Troop staged a successful hike to Devil's Elbow at the 5th Line and 17th Concession, Gormley. The appetizing food, cooked outdoors, was really enjoyed.

Shere Cub Pack
In doing their "Good deed for Christmas" — 36 Cubs on Monday night, at Beverley Acres public school — attended the annual Christmas party of the Shere Khan Cub Pack of 1st Beverley Acres, bringing with them their contributions.

These gifts were turned over to Mrs. F. Sward, local representative of the White Cross Society, who was present and received the gifts on behalf of the York County Home, Newmarket.

Under the direction of Akela Mrs. E. Miller and assistants Ernie Rogers and Cora Oake a fine program of entertainment was enjoyed, including the playing of various types of games, singing of Christmas carols, and amusing skits presented by six groups of the sixers.

Supper served by the 1st Scout Ladies Auxiliary concluded this very enjoyable evening.

1st Rover Crew
Since their formation in November, the 1st Rover Crew of Beverley Acres has been engaged in a variety of activities.

These include a drive for novels — of which 1,000 were collected — proceeds from which the amount of \$20 has so far been realized which will be utilized for charitable purposes.

The Rovers have also collected a number of toys, wheel goods, etc., which are being repaired and distributed to children of needy families at Christmas.

This 1st Rover Crew meet in the home of one of the Squires, whose father has provided excellent quarters in the basement. The Rover Skipper is Mr. Ralph Day and the eight crew members are Squires Robin Derrick, Wayne Haviland, Nick Chapman, Murray Day, Ed MacDonald, Ian McAllister, Allan Emms, Gary Riseborough.

Kaa Cub Pack
Starting off in fine weather on Sunday, December 8, 27 of the 36 Cubs of the Kaa Cub Pack of Beverley Acres enjoyed a full day hike at Boyd Conservation Area, Woodbridge.

Outdoor games were engaged in, and the propane stove and barbecue provided hot food and hot chocolate. A neighbouring farmer kindly took the boys through the barn to see how the cattle were fed and housed.

On Thursday evening last, the whole 36 Cubs of the pack were on hand to enjoy their annual Christmas party, which comprised games and singing. Refreshments were served by the 1st Beverley Acres Scout Auxiliary.

The Kaa Cub Pack leaders comprise Akela: Mr. William Charbonneau, Baloo: Ron Malone, Bagheera: Mrs. Kay Johnson, also two volunteers on cub instruction, Doug Fraser and Bruce Johnson.

Orange Home Children Fed

Wednesday night Bing Lew, popular proprietor of the Town Inn held his annual party for the 56 children at the Loyal True Blue and Orange Home. The usual turkey dinner, entertainment and Santa Claus made a happy evening for the group.

Last Sunday the Ulster Accordion Band entertained the children and on Saturday, 20 children will be entertained at the officers' mess in Camp Borden.

Christmas brings to an end a busy Christmas schedule for the children who have been entertained by many groups since the first of December.

School Holiday Is Longest Ever

Elementary school teachers and pupils in Richmond Hill and area will be enjoying the longest Christmas vacation possible. Schools will close Friday, December 20, at 3 p.m. and will not re-open until 9 a.m. Monday morning, January 6, 1964.

In spite of this extra long holiday period, the year 1963 has had 197 school days, and the school year 1963-64 will have 195 school days.

In contrast 1956 had 200 school days and 1959 had only 192 school days.

It would seem that the calendar balances out the days of play and the days of work for pupils and teachers as the years come and go.

Births
COX — Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cox (nee Wynne Roberts) are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Karen Elizabeth, at Branson Hospital, Saturday, December 14, 1963. clw25

TINKER — To David and Sheila, nee Wilcox, a son, Nicholas Andrew at Seattle, Washington on December 12th, 1963. First grandchild for Deputy Reeve and Mrs. S. F. Tinker. clw25

CARD OF THANKS
SCOTT — We wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude for the many acts of kindness, beautiful floral tributes and messages of condolence from relatives, friends and neighbours during our recent bereavement in the passing of a beloved wife, Mary E. Scott, mother and grandmother. Grateful thanks to Rev. Martin Jenkinson and the ladies of King City United Church. — Husband, Son and Family. clw26

Ancient Symbols For Zion Tree

A group of members of the Lutheran Church Women of Zion Lutheran Church in Maple began their Christmas planning rather early this year. It is not easy to get into the festive mood when the birds are singing and the warm sunshine invites one to the great outside. But determining that Christmas should be more meaningful for us these members decided in May to make "Chrismon" ornaments to decorate the Christmas tree in the chancel of the church. The project was piloted by Mrs. Eveline Keffer of Concord.

Briefly speaking, Chrismon means Christ monogram, which is based on the symbols of the Christian Church. The patterns were obtained from The Lutheran Church of the Ascension in Danville, Va. The biggest problem in making the ornaments presented itself when some of the ladies began searching shops for materials. Hobby shops and dress-makers' supply shops were combed in the Toronto area for gold mesh, gold beading, ornamental butterflies and flowers, etc. which were then fixed to styrofoam bases.

Ten different symbols were used. The Chi-Rho, symbol for the name of Christ is composed of the Greek letters X and R which are superimposed. These letters are actually the first three letters of the name of Christ.

The "Alpha" and the "Omega" are the first and the last letters of the Hebrew Alphabet, comparable to our A and Z. They are derived from Revelation 22:13, "I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last."

The equilateral triangle is the symbol for the Holy Trinity, indicating the equality of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Sometimes three intertwined circles are used, and again there may be a combination of both.

The circle, which has no beginning and no end, often represents eternity.

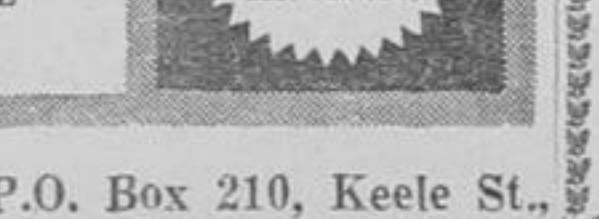
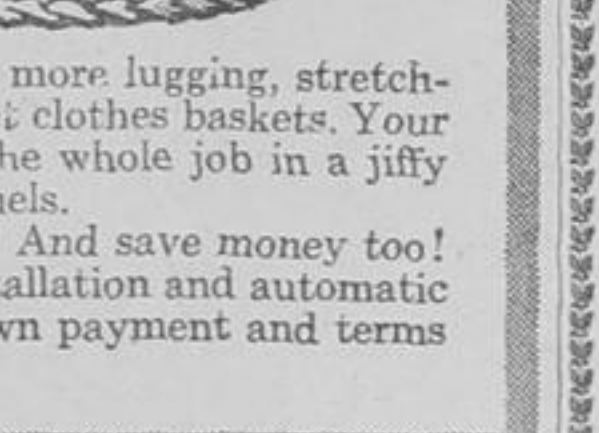
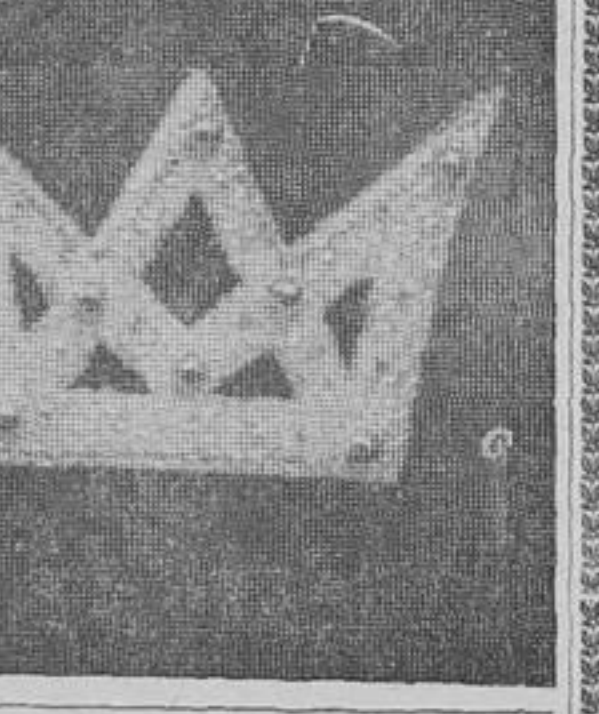
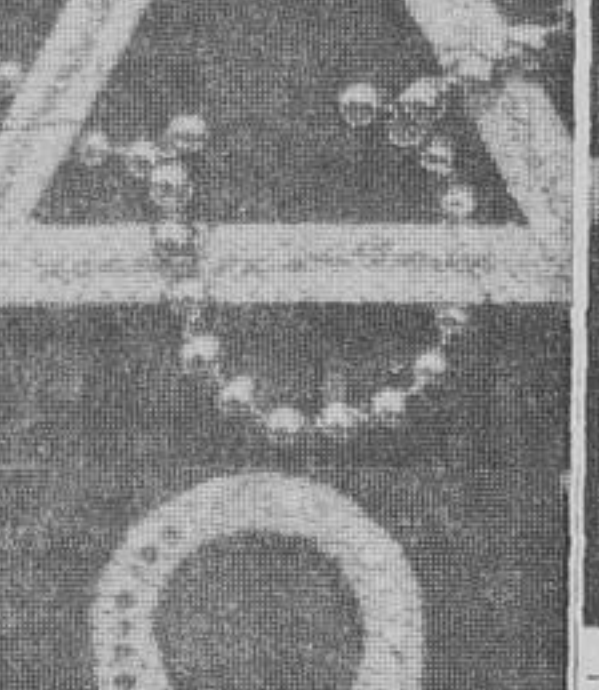
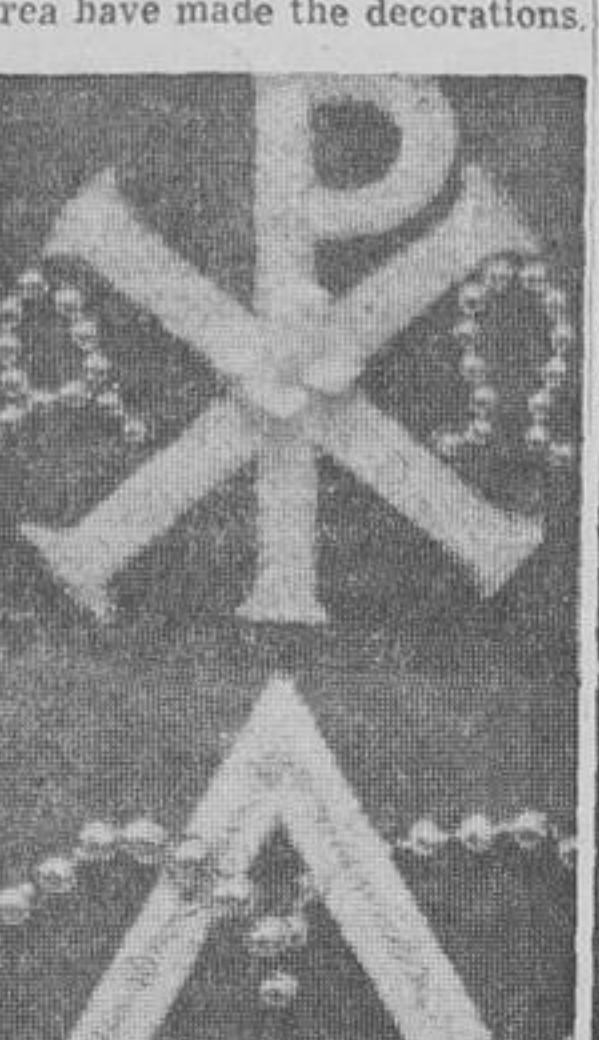
The white or gold rose which adorns several of the designs is the symbol of the nativity. The rose of Sharon is also a symbol for Christ. The butterfly is the symbol of the Resurrection.

The fish was the symbol or sign of the first Christians used as code to secretly inform each other in times of persecution and suppression. Their confession was "Jesus Christ is Son of God and Savior." From the first letters of the words the Greek word ichthus (fish) is formed.

The five pointed Christmas star comes from the story of the Wise Men who came to visit the Christ Child, Matthew 2:2, "Where is he born king of the Jews, for we have seen

his star in the east..." The Greek cross has arms of equal length, while the vertical arm of the Latin cross is longer. When the Latin Cross is combined with a gold orb it represents Jesus over the World. Again there may be a combination of the crosses and other symbols.

It is believed that these unique decorations are the first in this area. They were first introduced into Canada by Mt. Zion Lutheran Church of Waterloo, and since then several of the churches in the Waterloo area have made the decorations.



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