

News From SOUTH PORCUPINE

School Concert Highly Successful

Among all the Christmas concerts and parties, and "treats" in great abundance this year in South Porcupine, surely one of the outstanding was a programme put on by the children of the Dome public school. Although this school is now possibly the smallest in the Porcupine area, it is also one in which each child has room enough to be individual, and at this concert last Wednesday and Thursday every child in the school was given a part, and the joy with which each item was performed infected all the audience.

Your correspondent was present at Wednesday afternoon's performance, when there were no lighting effects to enhance the scenes, but it was truly a foretaste of the real Christmas spirit to be there and see the little play "In Quest of Santa Claus."

The programme opened with a display of skill in boys' gymnastics, followed by a piano solo by a little girl—Carol McMurray.

In the play "Jane," played by Corinne Kellow (Margaret Bingham took the part on Thursday) is a normal child who seeks the kingdom of Santa Claus. As she goes through the enchanted forest she meets Rabbits, Snowflake Fairies, Sunbeam Fairies, Toy Soldiers, Dolls and Goblins, who each demonstrate to her (in costume) part of fairyland with dances and marches and singing.

All of which was exceedingly well done. The Rabbits were hopping, and the Snowflakes softly dancing, the Prowies cavorting and the Toy Soldiers marching; the dearest, daintiest little dolls, happily skipping around and the wicked Goblins doing their best to frighten Jane (and incidentally the audience).

And the Christmas Fairies who one by one gently reminded Jane of her misdeeds, telling her to show more kindness, helpfulness, goodwill, unselfishness and love before she could find the true Christmas Spirit in Santa Claus Land—all were very nicely personified.

Jane, of course, finally meets Santa Claus amid great rejoicing.

The real climax came, when, instead of Santa Claus taking the stage prominently as he so often does in these Christmas affairs, mention was made of a Certain Star.

At which all the stage-folk including the rabbits, and the goblins, and the brownies and all the fairies turned their back to the audience and knelt—before a Star—which shone above and above, where softly parting curtains revealed the Holy Child in His Mother's arms.

And all sang together "Holy Night." Fl and McComison made a good Santa Claus. Connie as Jane could not have done better. Bill Reid made a wonderful mongoloo King of the Goblins and Connie Collins (Kindness); Marion Sharp (Hippiness); Mary Bid (Goodwill); Barbara Ann Buckley (Unselfishness); and Margaret Keast (Love); as Christmas Fairies were excellent.

Compliments to the whole Dome Staff and Mary Gordon—music mistress.

Police Court

L. DeGagne paid \$10 fine and costs for speeding on Nov. 19th.

R. Brown paid \$15 and costs for a similar offence on Dec. 12th.

Alvin Dillon paid \$1 and costs for "Failing to Stop" at a stop sign, also R. Rochoen.

R. Boever paid \$5 for having defective lights and R. T. Cooke paid \$1 fine for a similar offence.

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Somerville who on Saturday, Dec. 17th, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary. Numbers of friends dropped in during the evening to offer good wishes at their home on Rae Ave.

Dr. and Mrs. Somerville came to South Porcupine as bride and groom twenty-five years ago and are counted among our most respected citizens.

Santa Visits Children

Nearly three hundred children had a happy time on Sunday afternoon in the new Parish Hall of St. Joachim's Church, at a Christmas party. A lighted Christmas tree formed the centre of attraction, and Christmas Carols were sung by all. A group of young violinists under the tutelage of Bob Miner gave some really good Christmas music, and the boy soprano Bobby Yorke sang two Christmas songs.

Some films suitable for children of all ages, of fairy lore and Christmas stories were featured, Mrs. Tessier superintending.

Finally Santa Claus brought gifts and candy for every child. Don't forget that the Community Christmas Tree outside the Fire Hall will again be visited by Santa Claus on Saturday night at 6 p.m. The South End firemen will be there to help him.

Miss Viola Harnden, of Powell Ave., is home for Christmas from Victoria College, Toronto.

Bob McIntosh of the U. of Toronto is home for Christmas.

Miss Alice White, of Toronto, is visiting her father, Mr. A. C. White, and aunt at their home on Powell Ave.

Mr. Ernie Jones, of Commercial Ave., leaves this week to spend the holiday with his sisters in Toronto.

Miss Clara Campagnola of Toronto University is home for Christmas at Dome Extension.

Miss Stella Tonoff of St. Joseph's College, U. of T., is home with her parents for the holiday season.

BORN—In Porcupine General Hospital on Saturday, Dec. 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie McPhate a daughter.

Next Wednesday, December 28th, at 5:30 p.m. there will be a Children's Christmas party in St. Paul's parish hall. All children are asked to bring

a special donation for the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto.

Kiwanis Club Entertain

The Kiwanis Club held its dinner meeting on Monday in the Airport Hotel, and there was no guest speaker, but several guests.

It was the annual Christmas party given for the children of Kiwanians, and some of their friends. In addition to being entertained at dinner they were shown several films for children, and finally Santa Claus came to the Christmas tree, laden with gifts for everybody and candy.

"White" gifts have been contributed by children and congregation of the United Church for distribution locally.

Congratulations to Mae Gibson and Beth McLelland of South Porcupine High School, who at the annual meeting of the Porcupine Rod and Gun Club last Friday in Timmins were awarded honorable mention for essays submitted in the competition on "How we can best conserve our wild life."

Mr. and Mrs. Pelkie of Swastika are spending the Christmas season with children and relatives in South Porcupine.

Miss Mary Connelly, student at the School of Pharmacy, University of Toronto, arrived on Monday to spend Christmas with her parents at Dome Extension, and her aunt, Mrs. Mary Johnston, in South Porcupine.

Mrs. P. O'Shea and granddaughter, Patsy Belisle, left on Wednesday to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Shea in Montreal.

Mrs. John Cunningham, Sr., left on Tuesday for Toronto to spend Christmas with her daughter, Frances, and sons, Pat and Emmet.

Mrs. Lilyan Tessier and children leave on Thursday to spend Christmas in Toronto.

Mrs. P. Maxwell-Smith leaves on Thursday to spend Christmas in Hamilton with daughters Beatrice and Joan.

Miss Pearl Kennedy will spend the Christmas season with Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy at St. Charles, Ont.

Mr. V. H. Evans left on Monday to attend a meeting of the Special Committee of the Workmen's Compensation Board held in Toronto on Dec. 20th.

Among others expected home for Christmas Day are Johnny McLellan and Charlie Blair of the Toronto "Marlboros" and "Sonny" Philbin of Hamilton.

Mr. Stephen Evans of Queen's University came in on Monday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Evans, Connaught Hill.

Mrs. E. K. Martin left on Saturday for Haileybury to visit her daughter Mrs. H. Doran, over the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boyd and children leave on Friday to spend Christmas with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. Wm. Beard and M. Ian Lightbody, students at North Bay Normal School are expected on Friday to spend Christmas at home at the Dome.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh (Gladys Kellow) of Campbell's Bay will be spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. Kellow, Dome Mines.

Special Services Held

A very lovely Cantata entitled "Emmanuel" was produced by the Senior Choir of the United Church on Sunday evening.

The church was filled to the doors and the cantata was given its full measure of praise and attention by all. This Cantata, brought from Scotland by Mr. Tom Kelly, choir director, has most probably not been heard in Canada before.

Soloists Mrs. Thirza Stanlake and Mrs. Jean Wilson were heard to perfection in "And Thou Art Come With Us to Dwell," and "Bless the Lord, respectively.

A quartet composed of Mrs. J. Hodgins, Mrs. Gordon Kaufman, Mr. Tom Kelly, and Mr. John Bawtineheimer rendered "O Glorious Hours" and Mr. Harry Crick sang "Fear Not, the Angel Said." Mr. Bawtineheimer gave "How Wondrous Us Poor Shepherds," and Mr. Kelly, "This Is the Lord's Doing."

Mr. Walter Honer was organist.

Kiddies Entertained

South Porcupine Canadian Legion 287 were hosts on Sunday afternoon to almost 250 kiddies of veterans in the Legion Hall.

It was a grand success, and all had a marvellous time. Sing-songs led by Jock McCurdie, preceded the grand entry of Santa Claus who spoke to each child individually, and gave each child present a bag of candy, nuts and apples and a truly grand gift apiece.

Mr. Herbert Hatton was master of ceremonies and says the children were most well-behaved.

Mothers and helpers were served tea and cakes by the Women's Auxiliary of the Legion.

The committee included W. A. President, Mrs. Gordon Countryman, Mrs. B. Webb, Mrs. H. Barnes, Mrs. R. C. Mitchell, Mrs. S. Clement, Mrs. Russell Long and voluntary helpers.

Two committees headed by Don Pecore and I. C. Richardson did most of the work for the party. Mr. Pe-

News From SCHUMACHER

Christmas Meeting Held by W.M.S.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, met in the Church Hall, Mrs. W. McLaren president, presiding.

Mrs. McLaren gave a short talk telling each present that this would be the last meeting of this group known as the W.M.S. as in January there would be the amalgamation of the two organizations of the Woman's Auxiliary and W.M.S. to be known as the Woman's Federation in the United Church of Canada. She also thanked each one for their help in her two years as president and said it was a great pleasure to have such a group of ladies, and only hoped that each and every one would give Mrs. Plakett, the new president, for the new group formed, the same help as it meant a great deal to the president to know she has such a group of willing workers.

Mrs. H. Christopher gave an outline of the work of the W.M.S. for the year. The devotional period was conducted by Mrs. H. Leng, Mrs. J. Monaghan, Mrs. W. Hayward, and Mrs. C. Lowe. The theme of service, A Christmas Service, Our Faith in Jesus Christ, was done by candle light. Several Christmas carols were sung and then Mrs. Plakett rendered a very lovely solo, "The Gift," accompanied by Mrs. S. Kitchen.

Mrs. McLaren then called on Rev. C. Plakett, who gave an inspiring talk "The Christmas Message." What it should mean to each and every one not only in exchanging gifts and greetings, but to think of the "Birth of Jesus Christ."

A social hour was spent by the ladies present followed by a cup of tea. Mrs. H. W. Addell pouring. Hostesses were Mrs. J. Matthews, Mrs. C. Plakett, Mrs. G. Shippam, Mrs. C. Lowe, Mrs. H. Miller, Mrs. D. Fraser. Those attending were Mrs. J. Matthews, Mrs. S. Yankovich, Mrs. H. Leng, Mrs. N. Hegger, Mrs. Roy Yorkie Jr., Mrs. W. Hayward, Mrs. J. Monaghan, Mrs. C. Lowe, Mrs. H. Miller, Mrs. G. Shippam, Mrs. H. Christopher, Mrs.

core's group bought the gifts and prepared the lists of children and Mr. Richardson's group wrapped and sorted the presents.

South Porcupine High School closes for Christmas on Thursday morning till January 3rd.

Next Sunday being Christmas Day services in the United Church will be as usual, a Carol service and special Christmas music at 11 a.m., and in the evening at 7 p.m., there will be a candle-lighting service.

In St. Paul's Church on Christmas Eve, starting at 11:30 p.m. a sung Eucharist will be held.

At 9 a.m.—Holy Communion. At 11 a.m.—Holy Communion. At 7 p.m. will be presented a Pageant of the Nativity "Ye Shall Find a Babe."

This will take the place of the regular Sunday evening service.

Miss Sybil Ostrom of Ottawa is home for Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Ostrom.

Christmas Concert Held

As usual at Christmas time there are children's plays, concerts, and numbers of parties, practically impossible to enumerate at great length.

Broadway School produced its first Annual Christmas Concert last Friday. First, a playlet, Christopher Robin, produced under the direction of Grade 8 student Dorothy Anderson.

Second was a tiny tots Rhythm Band under Mrs. V. Starling, conducted by Marilyn Fedar and finally an operetta "The Christmas Bazaar" with a story built around elves, fairies and shoppers.

The little waif played by Elsie Tammie sang several solos very nicely. Donna Fell as another waif also sang well.

Nearly all the children in the school took part in the production which was wonderfully well put on. Fairies Helen Kallio, Nan Huggins, Fay Ship, Lisa Luoma, Annette Harrison and Anita Kartio were exceptionally pretty and graceful.

Says Trade Weak



—S.N.S. Photo

H. L. Enman, above, president of the Bank of Nova Scotia, dealt with the economic factors determining employment percentages and business health in his annual report to shareholders. Some of the economic forces that contributed to a high level of business and employment in the past year are losing their force he said. Export trade particularly is slipping and when exports slip, it means difficulties for Canada, stated Mr. Enman.

J. McKenzie, Mrs. C. Plakett, Mrs. S. Kitchen, Mrs. Robson, Mrs. A. Hill, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. W. Wallis, Mrs. W. Sutton, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. A. Doige, Miss Cotton, Mrs. W. McLaren and Mrs. D. Fraser.

Miss Barbara Waddell, has arrived home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Waddell. Barbara has been working in the D.V.A. hospital in Vancouver, B.C. the last few years.

Mr. Bob Beattie has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Beattie, Delnate Mine.

Miss Barbara Hayward has arrived home from Edmonton to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hayward.

Miss Kaye Christopher of Toronto who is studying at Emmanuel College is home to be with her parents over the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. H. Christopher, Gold Centre.

Mr. John Grenko has arrived from Toronto to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grenko. Mr. Ronald Urquhart, Toronto, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Urquhart, McIntyre Property.

Several members of the Porcupine Skating Club were invited to Ramore to give an exhibition of figure skating. Pauline and Caroline Perkovich did a pair, while Neil Pooley and Jim Fraser, put on a comedy act. Several members of the Kirkland Lake Figure Skating Club also took part. After the exhibition of figure skating, several games of broom ball took place, also a hockey game between Swastika, and Iroquois Falls.

Mr. Buddy Clarke of Queens University, Kingston, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Clark, Railroad St.

Mr. Bill Gilbero, son of Mrs. F. Gilbert, has arrived home from Montreal to spend the holidays with his mother.

Mrs. S. Todhunter has returned to her home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Todhunter, Sudbury, also her new grandson, Charles Clarke Todhunter who was born at St. Joseph's Hospital, Sudbury.

Mrs. H. Cowden entertained at a merry party in honor of her grandson, Joey Iannelli who was celebrating his eighth birthday. The young folk had a grand time with games, contests and singing. Each guest received a prize as a memento of his happy time. Refreshments were served with a decorated birthday cake. Guests at the party were: Wayne Therrien, Connie Cameron, Francis

Impressions of a (Continued From Page One)

ened carbonated water, but alas!—too often taken off the shelf. Refrigeration is practically non-existent except in rare cases.

Accustomed as we fortunate Canadians are to ice-cubes when we want them, taken for granted from our kitchen refrigerators, I found it a little odd to find my English friends and relatives without them.

Speaking (without due thought) to a well-to-do relative I asked why there was no refrigerator in her kitchen.

"Aren't they on the English market?" I rashly said.

My relative gently brought me down to earth.

"I think so," she said, "for a prohibitive price; but will you tell me why I should buy an expensive gadget like that, just to freeze water into ice-cubes?"

What else could we put in them?

And so, with washing machines. As far as I could see, there were none. These who could afford to, and had been used to sending the laundry out, continued to do so.

Other housewives struggled along as well as they could, (when they could get soap) washing by hand, with a washboard, and an antiquated method of boiling them in a "copper."

But, there is a subtle way of reminding all British housewives that all men must work—and when their country has to produce like mad in order to keep from being submerged, luxuries are frowned upon—luxuries like having one's laundry done for them.

I saw a neat pile of clean linen freshly brought in with the bill on top.

I saw the amount, and just below, another set of figures—about 50 per cent. I think of the original amount, added thereto to the total "Why?" "That is the luxury tax, which one must pay for the privilege of keeping needed labour out of the producing line."

Canadian women are truly among the most fortunate of people!

Southern England loves the theatre, Midland and Northern England adore the "ballet."

While visiting in Manchester (and if I must be truthful, I did not care to stay too long in this industrial atmosphere; it rained almost every day!) I saw the "International Ballet" which produced "The Sleeping Princess" under the direction of Mona Ingoldby.

The Opera House was filled to

Hollinger Mine Gives Land For First Church

Hollinger Mines gave the land for the first church to be built in the Porcupine camp. For story please turn to page our section.

The Timmins public school choir, to be heard over CKGB, all at 6:00 p.m.—Mattagami, last night; Central, tonight; Birch Street on Friday; and and Moneta, on Saturday—have been rehearsed and trained by George Jenkin, public schools music instructor.

Iannarelli, Andy Cowden, Sala Larabee, Larry Stirling, Jimmie Lampkin, Joanne Cowden, Doreen Sharon Sutherland, and the guest of honor, Joey Iannarelli.

capacity, and the enthusiasm was terrific.

It was a new experience for me and it was a delightful production. If our figure-skating is the epitome of gliding grace, then this ballet-dancing, solo and en masse is an enchanting whirl of rhythmic charm, which carries one into another world.

Perhaps that accounts for the hold the theatre and the ballet have on the ordinary people of England today.

They need to see another picture. The austerity programme may be responsible!

But in spite of everything, the British people appear leisurely. They go to work early, but I saw no apparent rush. They stop at 11 for some beverage, and again at 4 p.m. "Everything stops for tea."

And they get things done. I think perhaps they get more done than the people on this continent, to whom the words of old Omar the tentmaker appear to have been addressed:

"The caravan starts for the bourne of nowhere. O make haste!"

I have been much touched by the response of some kindly people to these superficial "impressions."

Some extra parcels have been sent to people in Britain for Christmas.

Rest assured that what has been sent will not only be truly appreciated, but will bring a special Christmas blessing to the sender.

Happy Christmas, Everybody.

(To be continued in the New Year)

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