

WITH THE CHURCHES

ROCKY SAUGEEN W. M. S.

The Rocky Saugreen W. M. S. met at the home of the Misses Fletcher on February 3rd. A large number of ladies were present.

In the absence of the president, the first Vice-President, Mrs. John McKechnie, presided.

The meeting opened with prayer, followed by singing hymn 376. Mrs. McQuarrie read the Scripture lesson. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The roll call was answered by a verse of Scripture. Prayers were offered by Mrs. Vessie and Mrs. Davey. Hymn 399 was sung. Mrs. Lynn read a splendid paper on "First Things First" and Mrs. Hugh McDonald read a very interesting letter from a missionary in India telling of the many ups and downs in his work for the Master. The closing hymn was 600 and the Lord's prayer in unison closed the meeting.

QUEEN STREET Y. W. A.

Members of the Queen Street United church Y.W.A. were entertained at the home of Mrs. N. A. Stauffer on Thursday evening, February 11. Mrs. Stauffer occupied the chair. The meeting opened by singing "Light of the World Is Jesus". Miss Margaret Storrey read the Scripture lesson.

A devotional talk on "The Way of Holiness" was given by Miss Kathleen Milne. Mrs. Stauffer gave a splendid paper on the study book "The Great Light". A very pleasing solo was sung by Miss Margaret Lawrence "Open Mine Eyes that I might See".

At the close of the program Mrs. Erben Schutz, who before her recent marriage was Miss Clara McCrae, was the recipient of a waterless cooker. The address was read by Miss Effie Hutton and the presentation was made by Miss Myrtle Lawrence. Although taken by surprise Mrs. Schutz thanked the members in a few well chosen words. The meeting closed with a hymn and the Mizpah benediction.

PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S.

The Presbyterian Missionary Society held their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 11, at the home of Mrs. Robert Renwick, Sr., Mrs. S. Patterson presiding.

The meeting was opened by the singing of hymn 287 and Mrs. Armstrong taking the opening prayer. Mrs. Hep-

burn read the twelfth chapter of Romans as the Scripture lesson. Miss E. Calder gave the introduction to the new study book, "Tide of Opportunity" reading the first two chapters. The first "Tasks at Home" points out several facts on missionary work at home while the second dealt with stewardship and missionary work in foreign fields and was very interesting. The roll call was responded to by a verse of scripture on "Strength". Missionary Gleanings "Cheerfulness on a Sick Bed" was ably read by Mrs. Burgess. This was followed by the singing of hymn 388. Mrs. Grant and Mrs. J. H. McFadyen engaged in short prayer. The Lord's prayer in unison closed a well attended meeting.

KNOX W. M. S.

The monthly meeting of the W. M. S. of Knox United church met at the home of Mrs. T. E. Brown on Thursday, February 11, with Mrs. Mather presiding. The meeting was opened by singing hymn 552 and the Lord's prayer in unison. Among other items of business it was decided to hold our Easter offering meeting in March with Mrs. Staples of Hanover for a speaker. Mrs. McGirr led in prayer and Mrs. C. Reay read the devotional leaflet on "Philip" The Bible reading was taken by Mrs. N. McKechnie after which Mrs. W. Alder gave a most inspiring and helpful talk on the sacredness of stewardship from the viewpoint of Jesus. Hymn 494 was sung and Miss Hunter read the leaflet on "Matthew, the man of business" Miss B. McKenzie had charge of the topic, "New schools in Korea" and after singing the Theme song the meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. McIlraith.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

OBSERVED FRIDAY

The World Day of Prayer was observed by the women of Durham on Friday afternoon when over one hundred ladies assembled in the Presbyterian church with Mrs. B. D. Armstrong presiding. While the women were gathering the organist, Mrs. J. H. Harding rendered music in soft strains, helpful in creating the atmosphere of prayer and worship. A beautiful hymn was sung with deep expression by Mrs. T. M. McFadden. A poem written by a Christian poet in India was read in earnestness and deep sincerity by Mrs. B. Stonehouse. Miss Alma Hughes took the prayer for the King, Empire and Canada. Prayers were made by ladies

from every denomination for China, Japan, Korea, India, Africa, Russia and the near East, Europe, North America and South America.

Prayer for the Peace and Disarmament Conference was made by Mrs. W. R. Alder.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. C. Graff visited last week with her mother and sister at Fordwich.

Dr. Park and Mr. George Woodcock of Hamilton, accompanied by the latter's two daughters, visited over Sunday with Mrs. William Park and Miss Winnie Park.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Corlett, Dornoch, announce the engagement of their younger daughter, Marguerite Eleanor, to Norman Allen, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Procter, Owen Sound, the marriage to take place in February.

Mrs. Warnock returned last week from Hamilton where she spent the past month visiting friends.

Mr. John McDonald, student in McMaster University, Hamilton, spent the week-end with his parents in Bentinck.

Mrs. George Matthews, Detroit, and her sister, Mrs. Merritt Cochrane, Port William, visited friends in town on Saturday between trains and left for Hanover Saturday evening to visit their sister, Mrs. S. Langrill. Both the ladies were former residents of Durham and the past eleven years were spent by Mrs. Matthews in California, returning this year to Detroit. This is the first time in thirty-two years the sisters have seen each other.

Miss Elizabeth McDavitt, of Galt, Ont., returned to her home after spending some time visiting at the home of Mr. Paul Nelson, in Glenelg.

Miss Ethel Patterson, Owen Sound, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Duffield this week.

Mr. Donald L. Graham of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., visited at his home here last week, returning to his home on Saturday.

Miss Audrey Bell, student at McMaster University, was home from Hamilton over the week-end, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McTavish and son Bobby spent a few days in Arthur and Toronto recently and attended the funeral of Mrs. Scott, grandmother of Mrs. McTavish, who visited here last summer. She was 85 years of age.

Mr. Dan MacKinnon arrived home in Wilkie, Sask., after a pleasant visit to Durham, Toronto and Winnipeg.

ALLAN PARK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The members of the Allan Park Women's Institute met for their monthly meeting last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Wells. There was a good attendance of members and a number of visitors present.

In the absence of both president and vice-president, Miss Mae Sharp occupied the chair. The meeting opened with the usual opening ode followed by the Lord's prayer repeated in unison.

Mrs. T. Kennedy read the Scripture reading. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The roll call was answered by a humorous story. Everyone responded to it.

There were several business letters read and letters of thanks from Miss Mildred Breutigam, Miss MacFarlane, Master Billie Hazlett, Master Wilmer Reay, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr and Howard, Mr. Gordon Reay.

A favorite hymn "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" was then sung. The members sent a bale to the West.

Miss Marjorie Charlton gave a reading which was very interesting on "Grandma's Valentines". A group of girls then sang "When the work's all done this fall". Miss Myrtle Sharp also sang a solo which was very much enjoyed.

A very much enjoyed question drawer was then taken and helpful information was received. The flower collection was then taken.

The meeting closed with the National Anthem after which the hostess and assistants served a dainty lunch.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. H. Smith on March 9. Mrs. D. Lamb will address this meeting.

The members and families held a Valentine social in the hall last Friday night and a good time was reported by all present.

KILLED LARGE BLACKSNAKE AT WELBECK MILL, BENTINCK

If snakes are a sign of spring then it must be here, for Mr. Gordon Goldsmith tells us that on Thursday of last week he killed a blacksnake two feet long at his mill at Welbeck, in Bentinck township. The snake had emerged from its winter home apparently to take advantage of the warm sun.

Left on the road Was Major Bott; He was full— His tank was not.

I.O.D.E. Chapter Did Good Work

Local Society Has Accomplished Good Deal and Set Envious Record Since Organization.

If there are any people who wonder what the I. O. D. E. do with the money they collect, it may be interesting to know that they have spent a total of \$2,900 in local improvements, to say nothing of other accomplishments in different schemes to which they have contributed.

Here are a few of them. They spent \$1,200 on outside decorations to the town hall, and another \$1,140 in fixing up the inside, as well as \$560 in beautifying the grounds around the Soldiers' Monument.

This is a pretty good record for any local society and takes into consideration only some of the cash spent, not the labor the ladies have put forth toward the furthering of their various schemes.

TRAM RUNS AWAY ON GUELPH GRADE

Motorman Hurt and Passengers Shaken Up When Guelph Street Car Goes on Rampage.

Failure of the air brakes to work when a one-man street car reached the terminus at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, caused a bad accident on the street railway Saturday night when the tram followed the rails on the College freight siding and crashed into a car laden with coal.

Sticking pluckily to his post while the street car was making its wild run, Robert Whetstone, the motorman, suffered injuries when the impact came, while a number of girls from Macdonald Institute who were passengers in the car escaped with a severe shaking up.

The street car traveled almost a quarter of a mile past its regular stopping point, with Motorman Whetstone making frantic efforts to bring it to a stop. There is a slight grade on the siding and it gained rapidly before it finally piled up against the steel coal car. The tram was badly wrecked.

EMPIRE CABINET NEW SUGGESTION

London, England, Papers Advocate Formation.—Hon. G. H. Ferguson Would Be Included in Executive.

Morning papers on Monday suggested an Empire cabinet, comprising a representative of each Dominion and two or three British statesmen, would be a valuable institution at the present time.

The newspapers reached this conclusion in editorials which discussed the appointment of Rt. Hon. Stanley Melbourne Bruce, assistant treasurer of Australia, as "minister representing the Commonwealth" at London.

Sir John Marriot, noted constitutional authority, in an interview, said he hoped Mr. Bruce would remain a member of the Australian cabinet during his stay in London. He suggested the addition of Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Canadian High Commissioner; Rt. Hon. J. G. Coates, Minister of Public Works for New Zealand, and General Jan Christiaan Smuts, leader of the Opposition in the South African House of Assembly, to form the nucleus of a "real Imperial executive"

LOCAL POST OFFICE BEING RENOVATED

Contract Calls For Extensive Painting and Full Clean-up, and Will Be Completed in Few Days.

Durham post office is getting its face raised and for the past ten days or so, Alex. Graham, who has the contract, has been engaged in the work. The contract calls for a "full job" and when completed the office will have an altogether new appearance inside. From cellar to garret, as it were, the cleaning is in progress. Ceilings and walls are to be washed and painted, the wainscoting, furniture, radiators, in fact everything, is to be dolled up and when the work is completed the building will be practically as good as new, so far as the inside is concerned.

SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS

Pleading guilty to having liquor in other than his private residence, Wilfred Grasby of Normanby was sentenced in local police court Saturday by Magistrate Laidlaw to \$100 and costs, \$114 in all, or three months in jail. He took the three months.

Grasby was apprehended at Holstein last Friday night by Officers Hood and Scott and found in possession of a gallon of wine, on which the charge was laid.

BORN

Kenny.—In Glenelg, February 13, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. William Kenny, a daughter.

White.—In Durham hospital, February 14, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph White, Toronto, a daughter.

LOST DIAMOND FOUND IN ASHES OF HOME

Dundalk Lady Recovered Gem Lost in Fire Through Assistance of Willing Searchers.—Stone Was Undamaged.

Last week we reported the total destruction of the Dever Bros. store at Proton Station, and since then considerable interest has been created because of the finding a few days after the fire of the diamond ring of Mrs. Wesley Dever, which went through the flames unscathed and was finally recovered when a searcher among the ashes picked up the ring, the stone being undamaged.

The day of miracles, is past, no doubt, but to find a diamond ring among the ashes of a burned building, if not a miracle, is at least some feat. The ring was found by Stanley Lyons and the search party had been at work only a short time when the ring was returned to Mrs. Dever.

ROCKY SAUGEEN U. F. W. O. CLUB

The members of the Rocky Saugreen U. F. W. O. met at the home of Mrs. Robert Lawson on Friday afternoon. The roll call was answered by a proverb. Mrs. Turnbull, the secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting and correspondence. It was decided at this meeting to start another quilt, each member to bring a bleached flour sack to the next meeting, which is to be held at the home of Mrs. Lauchie McLean. The quilt that was made during the fall was shipped in a bale to the needy in the West. Each member received a copy of the program for the year which were prepared by the four ladies who were responsible for making them out. After the business part of the meeting each member had to give an impromptu speech, which were in charge of Mrs. Joe Crutchley and proved most interesting. We then had some community singing led by Mrs. L. McLean, with Mrs. Murray Ritchie at the piano. Mrs. Robert Lawson gave a splendid paper on current events. Mrs. Herb Atkinson gave a humorous reading. This brought a very interesting meeting to a close, after which Mrs. Lawson and helpers served a dainty lunch.

Edge Hill

(Our Own Correspondent)

Miss Margaret Anderson was home from her school at Shallow Lake over the week-end.

Mr. W. R. Edge is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. Scarf, Toronto.

Our school was closed a few days last week owing to the illness of Miss Priest. She was able however to resume teaching duties on Monday.

Mr. F. W. Cook is busy sawing wood for the farmers in this part with his gasoline sawing outfit.

Mr. Arthur Edge was plowing on Friday. Rather an unusual experience for farmers here to plow in February.

Glenelg's assessor Mr. Robert G. Peart was through this vicinity last week placing his valuation on different farm holdings etc.

The Glenelg Council held their February meeting at the township hall on Saturday. They got through a big day's work.

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