

WITH THE CHURCHES

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The following officers were elected: President, Miss L. McComb; vice-president, Mrs. Arthur Atkinson; treasurer, Miss Julia Weir; secretary, Miss Mabel Sharp...

BAPTIST CHURCH T. O. G. CLUB

The December meeting of the T.O.G. club of the Baptist Church was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Longworth on Thursday evening...

The following are the officers for 1945: Honorary President, Mrs. J. M. Ward; president, Mrs. C. D. McLean; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Albert Pearson...

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The December meeting of Knox Church Women's Association was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. T. F. House with thirty members present...

Mrs. Charles Moore and Mrs. Robert Whitmore were named a nominating committee to bring in a report to the January meeting...

About thirty dollars was received from birthday envelopes. The singing of "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" and "O Come All ye Faithful" closed the business meeting...

For the programme Mrs. A. W. March gave an especially fine rendition of Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man". Mrs. Bert Stonehouse, Mrs. M. H. Knechtel and Mrs. Wilfred Barbour rendered a lovely Christmas trio "The Angels' Song"...

ST. PAUL'S LADIES GUILD

The Ladies Guild of St. Paul's Church, Egremont, met on December 1st at the home of Mrs. Wallace Matthews with an attendance of 18. The scripture was chosen from St. Luke's gospel and was read by Mrs. Matthews. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Gordon and the financial report of the past year was given by Mrs. T. Tucker...

The business meeting followed. The treasurer reported last Saturday's sale a splendid success with \$45.12 raised. Mrs. D. McQueen and Miss Mary Morton were in charge of the bake table. Mrs. Roy Wiggins and Mrs. Spiesz sold aprons and Miss Myrtle Mortley and Mrs. Ray Adams were in the tea room. A supply sale will be sent in Monday to the Sauterne reserve at Southampton. Mrs. Bert Stonehouse took the chair for the election of officers...

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The weekly meeting of the Presbyterian Y. P. S. was held in the church basement on Monday night with the president, Douglas Donnelly in the chair. A Christmas carol "O Little Town of Bethlehem" opened the meeting, followed by prayer by Mr. MacInnes. Matthew 5: 1-16 was read as the scripture lesson by Robert Wilton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary and were adopted by Campbell Reeves and Bernice Cluechy. The roll call was well answered with the author of your favourite book. Next week's roll call is to be a Christmas message. It was decided to have a toboggan party early in the new year. Frances Cluechy was appointed convener of the social evening. The copper contest was won by Thelma Cluechy's side.

The special speaker of the evening was Mr. R. W. Christie, who gave an excellent talk on "Books". During the address Mr. Christie mentioned that there are three kinds of readers—the simple reader, one who reads just for something to do—the intellectual reader, one who reads for knowledge—the happy reader, one who reads to broaden his intellectual and spiritual life. The speaker proceeded to outline very vividly the life of Charles Dickens, giving many sidelights on the life of this famous author.

BAPTIST MISSION CIRCLE AND LADIES' AID

The Baptist Mission Circle and Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. J. M. Ward for their December meeting. The hymn "While Shepherds Watched their Flocks" opened the meeting. The Scripture, the 2nd chapter of St. Matthew was read by Mrs. W. D. Erwin. Miss Redford led in a season of prayer. A reading, "The Snowflake" was given by Mrs. Albert Pierson. The hymn "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was sung and the minutes were read and adopted. The roll call was well answered by a verse of scripture containing the word "peace". Mrs. Eastman gave an instrumental. The topic "A Christmas Story, taken from the Quiet Hour in the Family Herald was given by Miss Beulah Burnett, for Mrs. H. Scott, who was unable to be present, was well given. The secretary-treasurer gave a report of the year's work. The election of officers took place and it was moved and seconded that Mrs. Bogle's resignation as president, on account of illness, be accepted. This was done with regret. The following are the officers for 1945: Hon. Pres., Mrs. W. Bogle; President, Mrs. G. A. Thompson; 1st vice-president, Mrs. R. C. Eastman; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. M. Ward; Sec.-Treas., Miss E. Redford; assistant, Mrs. J. M. Ward; Link and Visitation, Mrs. J. Kinnee; Inspirational Woman, Mrs. R. Wilson; Organist, Mrs. W. Thompson; Press Reporter, Mrs. W. D. Erwin. Mrs. Robert Wilson, vice-president, presided for the Ladies Aid. Mrs. Moffat opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. J. F. Giles, the president, was not present so the election of officers for 1945 was the only item of business. The 1944 officers were re-elected for 1945 as follows: President, Mrs. J. F. Giles; 1st Vice President, Mrs. H. Scott; 2nd vice president, Mrs. C. Ritchie; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Thompson; Secretary, Mrs. W. Erwin. Mrs. W. Thompson gave her report for the year and it will be given again next month. God Save the King closed the meeting and Mrs. Ward and committee in charge served a dainty lunch.

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The December meeting of Knox Church Evening Auxiliary was held in Queen Street Church Tuesday evening with a large attendance. Miss Helen Gerrie presided and introduced a splendid Christmas program in three parts, called "A Canadian Friendship Service".

The first part, "God's Gift to Us" included Christmas hymns and responses by all members. Mrs. Irvin Sharpe led part 2, "Our Gift of Adoration and Praise." This was a beautiful candlelight service and opened with the members repeating the Magnificat. Then followed Miss Olivene Ylirs lighting a candle of friendship for the Jews of Canada. Mrs. M. English lit a candle for French Canadians. Mrs. Roy Wiggins for newcomers from Europe. Miss Betty Henderson lit a candle for the descendants of German, Scandinavian and British settlers who planted the Protestant Church in the land. Mrs. Spiesz lit a candle of friendship for those who have come from Africa and Asia.

During this service three little girls, Jaina Sharpe, Rosalyn March and Catherine Manus sang Luther's Cradle Song "Away in a Manger." Mrs. Bert Stonehouse and Mrs. Milo Knechtel sang "The First Noel." The auxiliary members sang a Polish carol, "Infant Holy" and a Canadian carol, "Gentle Mary Laid Her Babe." The third part was "Our Gift of Love" and showed how love can speak a language all nationalities can understand without an interpreter. This service closed by singing "Lord of the Lands." The business meeting followed. The treasurer reported last Saturday's sale a splendid success with \$45.12 raised. Mrs. D. McQueen and Miss Mary Morton were in charge of the bake table. Mrs. Roy Wiggins and Mrs. Spiesz sold aprons and Miss Myrtle Mortley and Mrs. Ray Adams were in the tea room. A supply sale will be sent in Monday to the Sauterne reserve at Southampton. Mrs. Bert Stonehouse took the chair for the election of officers, with the following elected to serve for 1945. Honorary Presidents: Mrs. Cal Kinnee, Mrs. Bert Stonehouse, Mrs. A. W. March; Past President, Miss H. Gerrie; President, Mrs. Wilfred Barbour; 1st Vice-President, Miss Etta Twamley; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. R. Padfield; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. D. McQueen; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Davidson; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Spiesz; Secretary of Stewardship and Finance, Olivene Ylirs; Pianist, Mrs. R. Padfield; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. A. Taylor; Press Reporter, Mrs. G. H. Wilson; Community Friendship Convener, Mrs. D. McQueen; Devotional, Miss E. Twamley; Work, Mrs. R. McGirr; Supply, Miss Barbara Ritchie; Secretary Birthday Box, Mrs. R. Adams; Missionary Monthly and Temperance, Miss Maude Storey; Mission Circle Leader, Mrs. A. Taylor; Lunch Convener, Mrs. Roy Wiggins. Miss Gerrie expressed appreciation of the splendid co-operation she had received in the past four years and added a few words of appreciation of Miss Mary Morton, who concludes 14 years of faithful and efficient service as treasurer. The Auxiliary has exceeded its allocation, having raised \$337.66 this year with a few mite boxes yet to be returned. Miss Gerrie gave a reading, "This Christmas," and the meeting closed with The King and benediction followed by lunch served by Mrs. G. H. English, Mrs. Irvin Sharpe, Mrs. M. English, Mrs. Bert Stonehouse and Miss Olivene Ylirs.

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MARRIED

DAVEY-FLYNN— In Bournemouth, England, Saturday, November 11, 1944, Miss Mary Elizabeth Flynn, S.Reg. N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Flynn, of Barnfield, Kerry, Ireland, to Pilot Officer Richard Royden Davey, D.F.M., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Davey of Bentinck. P. O. Davey has begun a new tour of operations and is based in Italy, while the bride will come to Canada to reside with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Davey when arrangements can be completed.

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THE MIXING BOWL

By ANNE ALLAN

Hydro Home Economist



Hello, Homemakers! Who can resist the thought of Christmas! Wartime, or not, we can't shut Christmas out. The heart-warming good will, the gay decorations, the traditional food, these are the cherished things we are striving to preserve in a world of chaos. Let us, in our kitchens, keep the light of Christmas burning. Let us bake a holiday cake, even if some of the ingredients are difficult to find, or substitutes must be used.

Usually, we talked about Christmas cakes several weeks earlier than this, but the supplies this year were so uncertain that we decided to go on serving more cookies and small cakes during this festive season. However, stores have been displaying fresh supplies of several fruit cake ingredients this week and there have been numerous requests for recipes that we published two years ago. Here are recipes we gave you in 1942, about which we received many favourable comments:

Dundee Cake: 3/4 cup butter, 2/3 cup sugar, 4 eggs, 1/3 cup nuts (chopped), 1/3 cup peel (cut fine), 2 1/2 cups flour, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. baking powder, 1 cup seedless raisins, 1 1/3 cups currants, 2 tbs. orange juice. Topping: 1/3 cup citron peel, cut in thin slices, and 1/3 cup candied cherries, cut in pieces.

Beat in eggs thoroughly. Stir in nuts. Sift flour with baking powder and salt, mix with fruit, and add to first mixture. Add orange juice. Mix thoroughly with orange juice. Mix thoroughly with waxes paper and grease. Cover top with candied cherries and citron. Bake in electric oven 275 deg. for 1 1/2 hours. Cover with paper for the last 20 minutes of baking.

New Gumdrops Cake: 1 1/2 cups raisins, 1/4 cup of water, 1/2 cup shortening, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 egg, 1/2 tsp. soda in 2 tps. hot water, 1/2 cup thick applesauce, 1 1/2 cups sifted flour, 1/2 tsp. nutmeg, 1/2 tsp. cinnamon, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 cup gumdrops (sliced, any kind but licorice), 1/4 cup nuts. Simmer raisins in water about three minutes. Cool. Cream shortening and sugar thoroughly and beat in the egg. Dissolve baking soda in 2 tps. hot water and add to applesauce; then fold into the creamed mixture. Sift flour, salt and spices together. Mix part of flour with gumdrops, raisins and nuts; then add to batter and fold in flour. Line a loaf pan with two thicknesses of greased paper and pour batter in. Bake in electric oven at 300 deg. for 1 1/2 hours.

Victory Fruit Cake: 3/4 cup sugar, 1/2 cup molasses, 1/4 cup milk, 1/3 cup corn syrup, 1 1/2 cups fine whole-wheat flour, 1/2 cup pastry flour, 4 tps. baking powder, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. cinnamon, 1/4 tsp. each of allspice, cloves, mace and grated nutmeg, 2 cups seeded raisins (cut in pieces), 1/2 cup thinly sliced peel, or glaze cherries. Mix sugar, molasses, milk and corn syrup. Reserve 1/4 cup pastry flour. Mix and sift dry ingredients. Combine mixtures, then add fruits dredged with the 1/4 cup flour. Turn into buttered and floured loaf pan and bake 50 to 60 minutes in an electric oven (325 to 350 deg.).

English Plum Pudding: 3/4 cup pastry flour, 1/2 tsp. baking soda, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. cinnamon, 1/2 tsp. mace, 1/4 tsp. each cloves, allspice, ginger, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup minced suet, 1/2 cup currants, 1/2 cup sultanas, 1/3 cup raisins, 4 tps. mixed peel, 1/3 cup blanched almonds, 1/2 tsp. grated lemon rind, 1 tsp. lemon juice, 1/2 cup grated carrot, 1/2 cup grated raw potato, 1/2 cup grated raw apple. Method: Sift flour, measure and re-sift with soda and spices. Add all other ingredients. Combine thoroughly.

HYMENEAL

JARROTT - BAIRD

A quiet wedding of interest to many friends of the bride in Durham, took place on Saturday, December 9, at the R. C. A. F. chapel at Rockcliffe, Ont., when Flight Lieut. Nursing Sister Evelyn Baird of Ottawa, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Baird of Durham, became the bride of Flight Lieut. Thomas B. Jarrott, of Paris, now stationed at Rockcliffe. The bride was attended by Nursing Sister Jolow of Ottawa and both the bride and her attendant wore their uniforms. The best man was Squadron Leader Malcolm of St. Eugene. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa.

WISE - HENDERSON

A quiet wedding was solemnized on Saturday, December 9, at the manse, Hanover, by the bride's former pastor, Rev. L. Pickering, when Rebecca Jean Henderson, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson of Toronto was united in marriage to Corporal Clayton J. Wise, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse J. Wise of Bentinck. The bride looked charming in a navy blue velvet dress and hat, with matching accessories. The bridesmaid was Mrs. Bruce Clark, who was attired in old gold. The groom was supported by Mr. Bruce Clark of Owen Sound. On Monday night a shower was held at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. George Torry of Mulock when a delightful evening was spent in music and dancing to music supplied by Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Brigham. A shower was also held in Toronto at the home Mrs. Bert Guest. The bride and groom received many useful and lovely gifts and a host of good wishes go with the young couple for a long and happy married life. Corp. Wise is stationed at Camp Borden and the young couple will make their home in Toronto for the duration.

MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY HELD ANNUAL MEETING

At the annual meeting of Maplewood Cemetery there was not a very large attendance. It was again agreed to have a bee in the early spring. R.J. Eden was re-elected trustee and Cecil Barber and Albert Keller were chosen auditors for 1945. The bee committee consists of Charles McAllister, Jas. M. Marshall, Kenneth McIlvride, Robert Carmount, Walter Ferguson, William Allan, James Johnson and trustees. The usual reports were dealt with. Ten plots were put under perpetual care and ten funerals were held during the year.

Lieut. R. G. Ferguson of Camp Borden spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Erwin. Mr. and Mrs. John Mighton and two sons, Glenelg, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Middleton spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Love at Harkaway. L. A. C. Leonard Davey of Clinton was a week-end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Davey of Bentinck. Mrs. Charles Kirk, Windsor, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mortley for the past five months, returned to her home last week-end. Miss Vera Eastman is visiting with friends near Woodstock. Mrs. Richard Barber left this week to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. M. McKay, of Inwood. Mrs. Thomas A. Goodchild and three children have returned to their home in Niagara Falls. Mrs. Howard Duke is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moffat. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schutz, Jr., spent a few days last week in Toronto. Miss Inez Twamley of Preston was a week-end visitor with her mother and sister, here.

Cheerfulness is an excellent wearing quality. It has been called the bright weather of the heart. It gives harmony to the soul, and it is perpetual song without words—it is tantamount to repose. It enables nature to recruit its strength, whereas worry and discontent debilitate it, involving constant wear and tear.

Social and Personal

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Christmas Greetings

Strange we so toil to fashion for our unseen ends, The splendors that the tarnish of the world doth mar, When all the lasting glory of our life depends Upon a Child, a Stable and a Star.

Sincere and Heartiest Greetings to All My Friends and Acquaintances

G. MacINNES, Presbyterian Student.

Women's Institutes

VICTORY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The December meeting of the Victory Women's Institute was held on Thursday evening, December 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barber. This meeting took the form of a social evening with a splendid attendance. The meeting opened in the usual manner with the president in the chair. A letter of thanks was read from Misses Emma and Jean Bogle for a box they received while ill. Boxes for local soldiers and shut-ins will be packed this week. The Maple Leaf was sung. Mrs. Wesley Latimer read interesting letters from her husband, who is a padre in England. Miss Myrtle Porter gave a recitation. Misses Marjory Wolfe and Myrtle Porter danced the Highland Fling. Mrs. John McVein read an interesting article on the spirit of Christmas which is needed this year more than ever. Rev. J. M. Ward of Durham was present and gave a most interesting address on Tuberculosis. This disease was formerly considered incurable but due to advances in medical science, many wonderful cures are effected. Douglas Johnson, who has returned from overseas after three and one half years' service, gave a most interesting address on the people of Africa. The meeting closed with the National Anthem and Mrs. Barber and assistants served lunch.

DURHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Durham Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Joe Moore with an attendance of twenty-five members and visitors. The meeting opened with the president, Mrs. George Sharp in the chair, by singing the Ode, O Canada and repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll call "A Bible verse with promise" and the roll call for war work were well responded to. A chart from the Wartime Prices and Trade Board showing Inflation was well studied. Mrs. Simmons gave a splendid report of the Institute Convention which she attended in Toronto which was very interesting and much enjoyed by all. The program opened with a carol "Joy to the World". A quiz "What Do You Know About Christmas" was conducted by Mrs. Burgess with Mrs. C. Henry, Miss M. McGirr and Mrs. Giles responding with the answers. The subject for this meeting was "Books Suitable for Christmas" and was taken by Miss M. McGirr. She explained the different books men, women and children like to read. The members decided to give the hospital members decided to give the Christmas pair of wool blankets as a Christmas gift and Mrs. Sneath and Miss McGirr were appointed to look after this. A carol "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was sung and the meeting closed with God Save the King. Miss McGirr and her group served a splendid lunch.

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Advertisement for John Labatt Limited featuring a cartoon about inflation. The cartoon shows a man and a woman talking about rising prices and inflation. The man says, 'My dad says inflation means prices going higher!' and the woman replies, 'Well you're both right...'. The man then says, 'Right! and prices? Johnny—what if they get too big?' and the woman replies, 'We're broke!'. The cartoon is signed 'By Ti-Jos No. 61'.

It was the timely establishment of a price ceiling that saved this country from the perils of soaring prices—costs rising farther and faster than wages could ever go. The men who are carrying out the anti-inflation programme realize the battle is very far from won. They are fighting on, with all the knowledge and training at their command. Are we giving them the support they deserve? JOHN LABATT LIMITED London Canada