

HODGINS STARS IN "SQUIRT" GOAL

During the past week, local goaltenders have moved into the sports spotlight. First it was Jim Johnston in the Markham cage. On Tuesday night it was Dave Kelly in the Woodbridge net. Of equal importance, however, was the performance of Geo. Hodgins between the pipes for Boston in the "squirrel" League. The seven year old lad, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hodgins, Hawthorne Avenue, was sensational in spite of his team's 2-1 loss to the Canadiens.

Time and time again, he was peppered with shots but he held the fort like a real veteran. Only Billy Thornhill and Kim Gurney could find an opening to score. Mike Brillinger notched the lone Boston tally on a pass from Bobby Lee. The effort staged by the Bruin netminder was the talk of the squirt league management on Tuesday evening. Each lad in the lineup is given an equal opportunity to prove his ability in the goal. The boys are protected by plastic face guards. "Dinty" Hod-

ins was an athlete of note in his "heyday" and it appears that his son, George, is following in father Hodgins' footsteps.

Leaf 2, Hawks 1

Wayne Emmerson scored two goals to keep the Maple Leafs' win-streak intact. They edged Chicago 2-1. Kevin Acton fired the lone tally for the Hawks.

United Missionary Church W.M.S. Christmas Meeting

The home of Mrs. E. Crowder, Baker Ave., was beautifully decorated to welcome the W.M.S. of the United Missionary Church for their Christmas Meeting on Thursday, Dec. 15. The service was in charge of the president, Mrs. E. Herbert. Scripture readings, prayer and the singing of Christmas carols, filled the first part of the program; and the guest of the evening was introduced, Dr. Jean Erb who, with her husband Dr. John Erb has spent several years in Nigeria on the Missionary medical staff of the hospital at Tungan Magajiya. They with their four children are living in Toronto while on furlough, but expect

As a Christmas plant, poinsettia has few equals. Yet isn't it maddening when the plant fades just as the holiday season rolls around!

Horticulturists with the Ontario Department of Agriculture

say that you can get six good weeks out of your poinsettias if you bear in mind these tips: keep the plant in a bright, sunny location; avoid drafts or hot air registers (poinsettias need steady temperatures); water as soon as the soil appears dry.

Temperature is the important factor. If a day temperature of about 70 degrees F. and a night temperature of 60 to 65 degrees F. are maintained, your plants will thrive through and for some time after Christmas.

If the lower leaves turn yellow, wilt and drop, blame dry soil and a sudden temperature change. If the plant is stunted, with yellowing of the top leaves, a nitrogen deficiency is probably the cause. After the plants are established, it's a good idea to feed them every 2 weeks with a complete fertilizer. Don't let poinsettias have any electric light after the first of September, or flowering may suffer.

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to return to Africa next June. Dr. Erb had asked several ladies to represent the native staff helpers at T. M. Hospital, and in a most interesting manner had them tell something of their tribe and early life, and of how they became Christians and came to work at a missionary hospital. Through the years many of the patients have been won for Christ by the ministry and witness of the doctors and nurses.

During the closing moments of the service the ladies held candles, each one lighting their neighbour's candle, thus showing how the light of the Gospel of Christ is passed from one person to another.

The Christmas offering for the W.M.S. Missionary project was received; and each one present was given a small African hut for an individual offering box. The moments of friendship and fellowship at the close of the meeting were enjoyed by all.

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COME TO CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS SERVICES



CANDLE-LIGHT SERVICE

ON SUNDAY, (Christmas Day) AT

7.30 p.m. at the

Stouffville Baptist Church

Special Illustrated Carols. Testimonies by Young People.

Messages in Song by the Junior Choir.

— WE WELCOME YOU —

CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN STOUFFVILLE

Rev. J. D. TILLER, Rector

Sunday, December 25th, 1960 Christmas Day

10 a.m.—Holy Communion

Blessed is she that believed.

—St. Luke 1:45.

ALTONA UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH

Rev. Dow Sargeant, Pastor

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10.30 a.m.—Sunday School

7.30 p.m.—Worship Service

BLOOMINGTON CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATED GOSPEL CHURCH

Mr. E. N. Simmons, Minister

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

9.45 a.m.—Bible School for All

11 a.m.—"Our Gifts to God"

7.30 p.m.—"The Christ of the Scriptures No. 4 "He has come, therefore!"

Wed., 8 p.m.—Prayer and Bible Study

God in love gave us His Son, Jesus Christ, that He might save us from sin, Satan and self. God commands in I Corinthians 14:1 "Make love your aim, and then set your heart on spiritual gifts." Moffat.

VIVIAN McCORMACK MEMORIAL CHURCH

Rev. Bruce Hisey, Pastor

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10.30—Bible School

7.30 p.m.—Evening Worship.

Tues., 8 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

(A Church with a Message for Today!)

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10 a.m.—Special Bible School "The Christmas Story" told by flamegraph.

11 a.m.—Family Christmas Service. Soloist—Mr. S. F. McCleary.

7 p.m.—Prayer Meeting

7.30 p.m.—Candle-Light Service. Illustrated carols. Music by the Junior Choir.

Wed., 8 p.m.—Prayer & Bible Study

Sat., 4 o'clock—Junior Choir

Rev. J. Williams (Pastor)

(Bible Teacher & Evangelist)

UNITED CHURCH MELVILLE CHARGE

Rev. G. Davison

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10.00 a.m.—Peach's

11.40 a.m.—Melville

2.30 p.m.—Bethesda

Fri., Dec. 23rd—Y.P.U. will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Paisley, 8 p.m.

RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10 a.m.—Sunday School

11.10 a.m.—Worship Service

8 p.m. Wed.—C.E. Prayer Meeting

UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH

Rev. Alfred Rees Minister

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

MARKHAM

10 a.m.—Sunday School. We invite you as a family to attend our school.

11 a.m.—Christmas morning worship service. The Pastor will preach. Subject "The Mother of My Lord"

7.30 p.m.—Christmas Cantata entitled "Immanuel Forever"

Thurs., 8 p.m.—Prayer and Bible Study. "The Cults"

DICKSON'S HILL

9.45 a.m.—Christmas morning worship service. Attend as a family.

10.50 a.m.—Sunday School hour. The children will present a Christmas program.

Wed., 8 p.m.—Prayer and Bible Study. "The Cults".

Make Our Church Your Church Home.

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Minister

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10 a.m.—Church School

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CHURCHILL MUSSELMAN'S LAKE BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10.30—Sunday School

— The Church That Cares —

VICTORIA SQUARE

A very merry Christmas to everyone is the sincere wish of your correspondent.

Sr. Women's Institute

The December meeting of the Institute was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Marcus Jarvis with a large attendance. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. David Houck. The Scripture was taken by Mrs. John McCague. The roll call was answered by a gift from the Children's Aid. Christmas carols were sung, led by Mrs. Allan Orr. The guest speaker was Mr. Orma of the Unionville Nurseries who gave an interesting talk on house plants.

W.M.S.

The W.M.S. met at the manse on Wednesday afternoon and participated in a Christmas program arranged by Mrs. H. Collard, Mrs. Binington, Mrs. R. Perkins and Mrs. W. Orr. Special music was given by Mrs. J. Barker and Mrs. Wilbur Brumwell, singing two lovely duets. Mrs. Binington expressed "In Memoriam" our thoughts of thankfulness for the service given in past years to the W.M.S. and the church by the late Mrs. Wm. Haig. Mrs. H. Acreman reviewed the current Study Book. All officers are remaining in office for another year. Cards were signed for Mrs. McEachern, Mrs. E. Avison and Mrs. R. Boynton.

Mr. Tom Phillips of File Hills Indian Reserve, Lorie, Saskatchewan writes to thank all for the personal gifts and the gifts for the Indian children sent recently.

W.A.

The Christmas meeting of the W.A. was held on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. John McCague with sixteen ladies in attendance. Mrs. McCague was in charge of the program, and the lesson thoughts were given by Mrs. W. Sandle. Mrs. Allan Orr led in prayer. The Christmas meditation was taken by Mrs. McCague. Mrs. M. Jarvis took charge of the business. All officers are remaining in office for another year.

Brown Owl Mrs. Hardie and Tawny Owl Mrs. Varden and the Brownies of the 1st Gormley Pack visited the Gormley Nursing Home on Saturday morning, Dec. 17. They sang carols and gave the 30 ladies residing there a plant and individual baskets (made by the Brownies) containing fruit and candy.

The Brownies then proceeded to Melville Church where they received Mrs. Selming and her Brownie Pack from Beverley Acres. After greeting them they played games, had lunch and sang carols. Mrs. Lang and two Guides, Judy Varden and Janette Lang, decorated the

tables and made the lunch a very pleasant meal. Before leaving, the Beverley Acres Brownies extended an invitation to visit them in the New Year. The party ended with the Brownie prayer and taps.

There will be no Brownie meeting until Fri., Dec. 30, 7 p.m. Guides

The Guides will meet Thursday evening, Dec. 29.

Lions Christmas Party

On Saturday afternoon the Lions Club held a Christmas party in the community hall for the children of the area. There were nearly one hundred present. The afternoon was spent with the showing of films "Gulliver's Travels" being the main one. At the close, much to the delight of all the children, Santa arrived and gave each child a box of popcorn, a chocolate bar and an apple.

The skating rink at the park is ready for the children to skate on and some were seen using it on the weekend. It is hoped that the lights will be hooked up very shortly, ready for evening skating.

Church News

On Sunday, Dec. 25 at 11.30 Dr. Binington will be in charge of the service. It will be a family service with the Sunday School and church combined.

The Sunday School Christmas concert will be held Friday, Dec. 23 at 7.30 p.m. A Christmas pageant which was prepared at the Ontario Agricultural College will be presented. It is based on the Christmas message from the four Gospels. All the Sunday School will participate.

Candlelight Service

The annual C.G.I.T. and Explorer Candlelight Service was held in the church Sunday evening. The leader, Mrs. John McCague was in charge of the service. The members formed a choir and sang several carols, accompanied at the piano by Shirley Boynton. The Scripture readings were taken by Christine Terry and Sharon Rumble. The Explorers also sang a number, accompanied at the piano by Barbara Empringham. Mrs. Maw, leader of the Explorers, led the responsive reading. Mrs. John McCague gave the story. The Act of Dedication was taken by Margaret Patterson, Susan Terry, Shirley Boynton and Joan Smith. Friends were present from Headford and Brown's Corners.

Neighborhood Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Madry, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barker and Miss Mabel Sanderson had Sunday evening dinner with Mrs. F. Walker and Freddie. Friends are pleased to hear that Mr. Jacob Williams is improving. His address is Ward H, Toronto General Hospital.

BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH (Heise Hill) Gormley

Pastor—Rev. Wm. Vanderbent

Ph. Richmond Hill Turner 4-3155

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

Sunday School — 10 a.m.

Worship Service — 11 a.m.

Evangelistic — 7.30 p.m.

Midweek Prayer Service Wed., 7.45 p.m.

You are cordially invited to all services.

STOUFFVILLE MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Pastor — Mr. Clarence T. Bass

Sunday, December 25th, 1960

10 a.m.—Sunday School

11 a.m.—Worship Service

Subject "God, gracious, tender, laid aside His splendour"

7.30 p.m.—Evening Service

Subject "Thou visitest him"

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Saturday Night, 7:30 — Ice Skating.

9:00 — CHRISTMAS RALLY featuring Y.F.C. Choral Candlelight and carols plus 16 mm. film: "THE MYSTERY OF BETHLEHEM" with BEV SHEA and BILLY GRAHAM

Sunday Night, 9:15 — Christmas Vespers with carols and specials.



LET'S KEEP THE Christmas

The Bible says: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son."

As we prepare to celebrate another Christmas, how many of us remember these words—or are our thoughts too completely occupied with a present for Uncle John and Aunt Susie, with the preparation of lavish and expensive decorations; with the table settings for a sumptuous feast?

God did so love the world... that He gave us His Son... that He gave us this day that we call CHRISTMAS. This He gave us; nothing more. He did not supply the traditions; He spoke not of holly and mistletoe, nor of food and feasting. The many things that have come to be associated with the observance of Christmas—by

all too many people—have been added through the centuries. The sad part of it all is that some have become so fascinated by all the embellishments that they have lost sight of the true meaning of Christmas: Christ's birthday. The day on which Christ was born. The day of the Redeemer. A Holy Day. A Spiritual Day.

Let us keep our bright Christmas trees, the colored lights, and deck the halls with boughs of holly. Let us set a table that would please the palate of a king. But, with it all, let us find the time to search hopefully for the joy and peace that was Christ's purpose when He was born and when for thirty years and three He walked the face of earth, the highest example of life as a mortal being.

THERE IS A Santa Claus



"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

This famous editorial reply to the pleading, almost tearful inquiry of a young girl, "Is there really a Santa Claus?" is repeated year after year and probably will be a thousand years from now.

There is, indeed, a Santa Claus. And he is real—as real as we can expect him to be. And he continues to exist because there is a real need for him.

We Can Argue

Most of us argue that Christmas is too commercial. The sending of Christmas cards to everybody in town is grossly overdone. There is too much emphasis on gift-giving and receiving.

All of these things may well be true. But, we don't see how anyone can rightly complain about Santa Claus. He belongs to the very young, to the unspoiled, the hopeful. He gives some meaning and purpose, albeit not completely understood, to those too young to comprehend the true meaning and purpose of Christmas.

And, in all fairness, it must be said that only the deep religious significance of this great holiday is more rewarding to so many than dear old Santa.

As the New York Sun editorial so aptly said, "A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



WISHES YOU A VERY...

Merry Christmas



Food Prices Effective December 21-22-23-24.

We reserve the right to limit quantities.

DEL MONTE FANCY — SAVE 6¢

Fruit Cocktail 28-oz. tin **39¢**

STOKELYS HONEY POD — SAVE 13¢

Fancy Peas 3 15-oz. tins **49¢**

PEAR SHAPED — SAVE 16¢

Burns Hams 1 1/2 lb. tin **\$1.39**

IGA ORANGE PEKOE — SAVE 8¢

Tea Bags pkg. of 60 **59¢**

PRE-DRESSED GRADE A

TURKEYS

Young Toms **49¢** Young Hens **53¢**

20 pounds and up 10 to 16 pound Average

BURNS SKINLESS SHANKLESS—FULLY COOKED WHOLE OR HALF

SMOKED HAMS lb. **63¢**

PRESSWOODS FAMOUS PINEAPPLE

Bone In Half or Whole **85¢** Boneless Family Style 5-6 lbs. Avg. **99¢**

HAMS

MAPLE LEAF PURE PORK

SAUSAGE MEAT 1 lb. Pkg. **43¢**

CHRISTMAS STORE HOURS

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SUNKIST NAVAL ORANGES

Easy to peel juicy seedless

Extra Large Size 88's

Doz. **69¢**

U.S. NO. 1 GRADE — FRESH & JUICY

TANGERINES 2 dozen **59¢**

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B.C. Delicious Apples 5 FOR **39¢**

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B.C. D'ANJOU Pears 5 FOR **39¢**

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California Celery each **19¢**

CALIFORNIA'S FINEST — U.S. NO. 1

Emperor Grapes 2 lbs. **29¢**

IGA Old Coloured York Frozen

CHEDDAR CHEESE 12-oz. Cut **49¢** **MIXED VEGETABLES** 2 lb. Poly Bag **39¢**

Ocean Spray — Jellied or Whole 15-oz. Tin **23¢**

IGA Stuffed **MANZANILLA OLIVES** 12-oz. Jar **49¢**

Regular 12" **REYNOLDS WRAP** **29¢**

Heavy Duty 18" **REYNOLDS WRAP** **59¢**

With Free Lipson Onion Soup Humpty Dumpty 16-oz. foil pkg. **79¢**

Mixed or Cashews **YORK NUTS** 9-oz. Tin **55¢**

Ratcliff's IGA Foodliner

STOUFFVILLE — ONTARIO