WOMEN and THE HOME

I.O.D.E.OFFERS **CONTEST PRIZES**

Will Make Awards For Best Short Stories and One-Act Plays.

CLOSES IN FEBRUARY Christmas Card Designs and Poems Are Also Encouraged.

The approach of the new year brings with it another announcement from the National chapter, I. O. D. E., concerning its dominion-wide literary competitions. There is a prize of \$200 offered by Mrs. R. W. Wood of Vancouver, for the best short story of not less than 2,000 and not more than 6,000 words. It will be remembered that a London writer, Mrs. J. W. Thorburn,

won this prize last year.

The second prize is \$100 given by
Preble McIntosh of Montreal, and known
as the Blanche McIntosh prize for the best one-act play. This year the National chapter is conducting a third competition. This is an art contest, and a prize of \$100 has been offered by Mrs. S. T. Creet of Beamsville, for the best Christmas card design. The short story contest and Christmas card design contest close on Feb. 1, 1926, while the one-act play contest closes on

These competitions have been artheir intention, and are in keeping with the aims of the I. O. D. E. Full particulars of the contests were published in the current issue of Echoes, the official

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Mitchell, Dec. 29.—On Thursday the Mitchell women's institute met at the home of Mrs. Willard Ingram. It was decided to give donations of clothing, toys, candies, etc., to families in need. Three dollars was sent to Georgetown in aid of the Armenian boys. A solowas sung by Miss G. Woodger and a reading was given by Miss Farrant. The feature of the afternoon was a holiday guest with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Miller, of Knox college, Toronto, is a holiday guest with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Miller, ranged trousseau tea on Saturday afternoon Saturday evening was a decided success. The prizes were received by Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Watchell, Mrs. Gerald E. McBride, of Toronto, will spend Christmas and the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Ball, Mrs. Herb. Ball, Mrs. Edgar and Mrs. Carmichael.

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Mrs. James C. Watson, Queen's avenue, entertained at a charmingly arranged trousseau tea on Saturday afternoon was a decided success. The prizes were received by Mrs. Boberts and Mr. Watchell, Mrs. Edgar and Mrs. Carmichael.

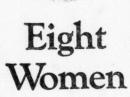
Mrs. James C. Watson, Queen's avenue, and Mrs. Carmichael.

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The design of the postcard awarded the prize in the art competition will become the property of the I. O. D. E.

All entries are to be forwarded to the National educational secretary of the National educational secretary of the I. O. D. E. 238 Bloor street, East Toron
Thornton avenue.

In Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McCall will spend the Christmas holiday in Chatham, guests with Mr. and Mrs. George Cook, St. James street.

Mrs. McConkey of Regina, formerly of this city, spent a few days in the city last week visiting old friends. She was on her way to her home in Regina after spending the past five months in Quebec, her old home.

Mr. Ted Cowley of Hamilton will be a Christmas guest with his parents on Thornton avenue.

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Miss Margaret Maxwell of Cleveland, spending the Christmas vacation of the parents. Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Maxwell, Cove road.

Mrs. Eccles, Princess avenue, enterained at a delightful bridge on Saturation of the tearoom, and upatron of the parents of the propers o

lay for her niece, Miss Dusty, of Wis-onsin, who is her house guest.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thornton of Glen-Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thornton of Glencoe will be Christmas guests with their daughter, Mrs. George MacDonald, and Mr. MacDonald, Hyman street.

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AN OLD-TIME YULETIDE GIFT.

Captains of the white-winger of sailing times, home from

Mrs. H. Sutherland.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Webb of Yardley.
Pa., and Major N. K. Cameron of Welland, will be Christmas guests with Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Routledge, Maitland

AMMILIAL EFTE HELD

Mrs. Jack Cottrill, Regent street, i entertaining at bridge this week for a number of the younger set, with Miss Ousty, of Milwaukee, as guest of

ronto, are holiday guests with Mr. Learson's parents, Rev. Edwin A. Pear-

to, 5, Ontario.

A contest to encourage Canadian verse writers has also been planned, for which three prizes of books will be given. Contributions of verse will be received up to Feb. 15, 1926. Poems must not be shorter than 32 lines nor longer than 100 lines.

Thornton avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell Croden were visitors in Toronto last week, stopping at the King Edward hotel.

Mrs. A. Fox and Miss Winnifred Fox of St. Catherines are in New York.

Cundiff, of Virginia, arrived in the city on Saturday night and will be here for christmas guests with their sister. Mrs. A. F. Nash, and Mr. Nash, Wortley road, where Mr. Warren Cundiff, of Denver, Col., will also be a holiday guest.

nue, entertained at a charmingly ar ranged trousseau tea on Saturday af ternoon for her daughter, Miss Alberta Major and Mrs. Arthur Mortimore will be Christmas guests with Mrs. Mortimore's sister, Mrs. Morrison, and Col. Morrison in Toronto.

Miss Esther Munn, of Vancouver, comes to London about the middle of January to be a guest with Miss Evelyn Hayman at The Kensington.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brickenden will be the hosts of a dance at the London hunt and country club on the evening of Monday, Dec. 28.

ternoon for her daughter, Miss Alberta Watson, whose marriage to Mr. Ross Geddes will be an interesting event of the week. The many guests were welcomed by Mrs. Watson, who was becomed by Mrs. Watson, who was becomed by Mrs. Watson, who was becomed by Mrs. The bride-elect wore a lovely frock in tangerine brocaded silk with deep embroidery of black velvet poinsettias. The rooms were effectively arranged with many chrysanthemums and the tea table was very pretty with Miss Marion Price, of Toronto, will e in London during the holiday seaon, a guest with Miss Helen Langford in London during the holiday sea-n, a guest with Miss Helen Langford, aterioo street. Maywell of Cleveland

dr. MacDonald, Hyman street

Miss Edith Barkley, who is attending

Captains of the white-winged
Clippers of sailing times, home from Brescia hall, will spend the Christmas the Orient at Yuletide, brought their acation with her uncle and aunt in friends small parcels of fine teas. A custom you may revive this year if Mrs. Earl Ernst and Mrs. Ernst you wish, for your grocer is selling ormerly Miss Maybelle Sutherland, are a beautiful Christmas package of Mrs. Earl Ernst and Mrs. Edits of the formerly Miss Maybelle Sutherland, are a beautiful Christmas package of coming from Toronto to spend Christ-RED ROSE ORANGE PEKOE TEA. mas with the latter's parents, Mr. and as fine quality as ever they gave in olden days, and a present that would

ANNUAL FETE HELD

Special to The Advertiser.

Mr. Thomas Mortimore, Central avenue, has returned to town for the Christmas season following a three months' business trip through the maritime provinces.

Mr. Fred Davis, of Calgary, arrived in town on Saturday night to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Davis, and Dr. Evans Davis of Queen's avenue.

Capt. A. M. McEvoy and Mrs. McEvoy, of Detroit, are to spend the Christmas holiday with Capt. McEvoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Pearson, of Toronto, are holiday guests with Mr.

Special to The Advertiser.

Thorndale, Dec. 20.—The Sunday without a spend the christmas tree in Harding's school of St. George's Anglican church, school of St. George's Anglican church, who was the leader of a gang of safe-blowing at Selkirk, Man. He was located in Winnipeg, but shot his way to freedom, and he and his way to freedom way to freedom way to freedom way to freedom, and he and his way to freedom way Special to The Advertiser.

MISSIONARY PAGEANT.

son and Mrs. Pearson, at the Dundas Centre United parsonage.

Mr. Stewart Manuel and Mrs. Manuel, formerly Miss Gladys Noyes, are coming from Detroit to spend Christmas with their parents in this city. Mrs. Manuel arrives in town tomorrow.

Mr. Donald Routledge of New York

MISSIONARY PAGEANT.

Special to The Advertiser.

Wallaceburg, Dec. 20.—A missionary pageant was staged by the young people of school section No. 20, put on a Christmas entertainment and dance in the I. O. O. F. hall on Friday evening. The young people put on an interesting dialogue, "Sykes' Predicament." A big crowd attended.

BROWNIES ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Huge Tree and Santa Are Centers of Attraction at Lenmore.

Such a merry place was Lenmore on Saturday, the board room gay with a huge Christmas tree, very fairylike with its scarlet bells and gay striped candy canes, streamers of holiday scarlet and glimmering make-believe frost-everything decked for the Christmas party of the Brownies of the Y. W. C. A.

Thirty little people were in attendance, to dance about while Santa Claus, in his traditional outfit, distributed mysterious gift bundles. In this work he was assisted by the this work he was assisted by the Nightingale club, who sent gifts.

Following the tree and goodles all around, the Brownies put on their own excellent program of songs, readings and dances. Wee June Barrett, the smallest and chubbiest of the company, contributed her star turn, a court curtcontributed her star turn, a court curt-A committee of the Brownies assisted

CLUB NEWS

"tidy up" after the party.

decorating the tree and putting into

practice the Brownie code by remaining

SCOTTISH SOCIAL CLUB. The Scottish social 'club, a new rganization in the city, admirably lived up to its name in St. George's hall, Dundas street, by celebrating their initial opening with a smart dance. A large gathering of Scotch folk and

their friends made the night a success, for the enthusiasm that everyone showed was a signal that the club will Competitors must be British subjects
and residents of Canada. While other
subjects are not debarred, stories dealing with Canadian life are preferred.
The story awarded the prize must be

Mrs. N. S. Martin of St. Thomas has is a holiday guest with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Routledge, Maitland street, and expects to return to New Mrs. Harold Anundson, Yale street, York about Jan 4.

ished in this magazine.

The play must be of one act, the resentation on the stage to occupy not iss than 20 minutes and not more than minutes. The prize-winning play in the

Mr. and Mrs. George Stone and little daughter, Audrey, will be holiday guests of the Presbyterian church met for the purpose of quilting. It was also decided to send Christmas boxes to some of the shut-ins.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Stone and little daughter, Audrey, will be holiday guests with relatives in Stratford and Beaver ton.

Mr. Cedric McCann, of Detroit, will be a Christmas guest with his parents, of the shut-ins.

Mitchell, Dec. 20.—On Thursday the

mons Issued Against County Under Criminal Section.

Special to The Advertiser. Sarnia, Dec. 20.-Edward J. Neubauer, truck driver, of this city, has laid a complaint before the authorities of the condition of the River road in certain parts between Sarnia and Port Lambton. Complaint is made that this highway constitutes a nuisance and

summons against the county, under section 221 of the criminal code, covering the maintenance of a common nuisance. Hearing will take place in December 28 before

"Two-Gun" John Gets Out Soon

Famous Bandit Nearing End of 19-Year Term at Kingston. Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.-Twenty years ago, George Seel, now chief detective of the Winnipeg force, and another police officer staged a spectacular gunfight with John Lewandosky, picturesquely known as "Two-Gun John," a George's S. S. of Thorndale bandit of the old days, and John is now serving the final period of a 19. year term in Kingston penitentiary.
"Two-gun John," who was the leader

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