

CHURCH OBSERVES ITS ANNIVERSARY

Large Congregations Attend Knollwood Park Presbyterian For Event.

PEOPLE FORGET GOD

Rev. F. W. Gilmour Preaches Inspiring Sermon on Lesson of Peter.

Special anniversary services were held yesterday morning and evening in the Knollwood Park Presbyterian church with large congregations.

In the morning, Rev. F. W. Gilmour, pastor of Elmwood Avenue church, preached, choosing his text from the 18th chapter of St. John, the 15th verse, "the high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples." He recalled the story of Jesus before Annas, the high priest, who was seeking to condemn Jesus by false charges, how the disciple Peter, outside the court, denied his master, and stood warning himself before the fires built by the soldiers.

"When the high priest asked this question, there was not one to stand beside Christ at this critical hour," said Mr. Gilmour. "Peter was out warning himself instead of warning the heart of his Master."

"It is the same today; all many think about is warming themselves and forgetting God. What a difference it would have made if Peter had come up to the court and stood for Jesus at this time when the affairs of his life were at the lowest ebb. But poor, foolish Peter was outside, like a sneak."

"That's all that I am asking men to do," emphasized the speaker in referring to the stand for Christ, "and I will continue to ask them all my life. I am not representing only myself, but a real problem and solution. The world needs Jesus and Jesus needs the world."

"There is no lawyer who has read this chapter but condemns the action of the judge. Jesus should have been judged on his merits and not on the question of his disciples," he went on to say. "There is the same procedure today. It is not who we are or what church we belong, but a man is brought face to face with God and judged on his merits."

Easy to Criticize. "It is very easy to criticize the church or to make excuses for not taking interest," continued Mr. Gilmour. "We know churches are faulty and not perfect, but Jesus is the one to look to. Many seek to escape the church by some weakness, and it is not just. It is a popular measure for one to take a visit of Jesus through the church members, and there is our opportunity to show the world what Christ is. We are not alone in our efforts in the church, but Jesus on every occasion brings us to his feet to learn and live. He sends us forth to bear the great responsibility ourselves so that the world may know the faith in Jesus. The question of the high priest to Jesus in regard to his disciples was the only one that ever made the Master wince when his followers deserted him at this time and left him alone. Jesus had no one to speak a good word for him after all his wondrous works in healing the sick, raising the dead and other miracles."

"Now this glaring collapse of Peter brings into prominence Christ's faith in humanity," stated Mr. Gilmour, "a wonderful lesson of undying faith in his people, when Jesus left his work in our hands to carry on. Even though the disciples at this time had deserted him, he had the faith of humanity in his teachings. Great genius of Jesus to see the qualities of human life was responsible for his faith."

"I wouldn't give a button for a teacher who is all head and no heart," he said. "The best are those who have a real heart touch for the church. The greatest are those who can understand them and look ahead and point them the way to go. The best ministers are generally the ones who are able to lift their congregation up to a high level."

Still Seeks Jesus. In closing, Mr. Gilmour left an anniversary thought with the congregation. He said that the world is still asking Jesus of his disciples, and it was our privilege to work for him. Rev. James Mackay, pastor of the New St. James' Presbyterian church, was in charge of the evening service, assisted by Rev. Carl Webster, a missionary in charge of the church for the last few months. Rev. Mackay, selecting his text from Acts 1, eighth verse, spoke on "Christ's work for his followers." Jesus told his disciples that they were to witness for him in the homes of Jerusalem, to witness for him in the streets of Jerusalem, to witness for him in Judea, which stands for the community, in Samaria, meaning the neighborhood outside the community, and to the outermost parts of the world.

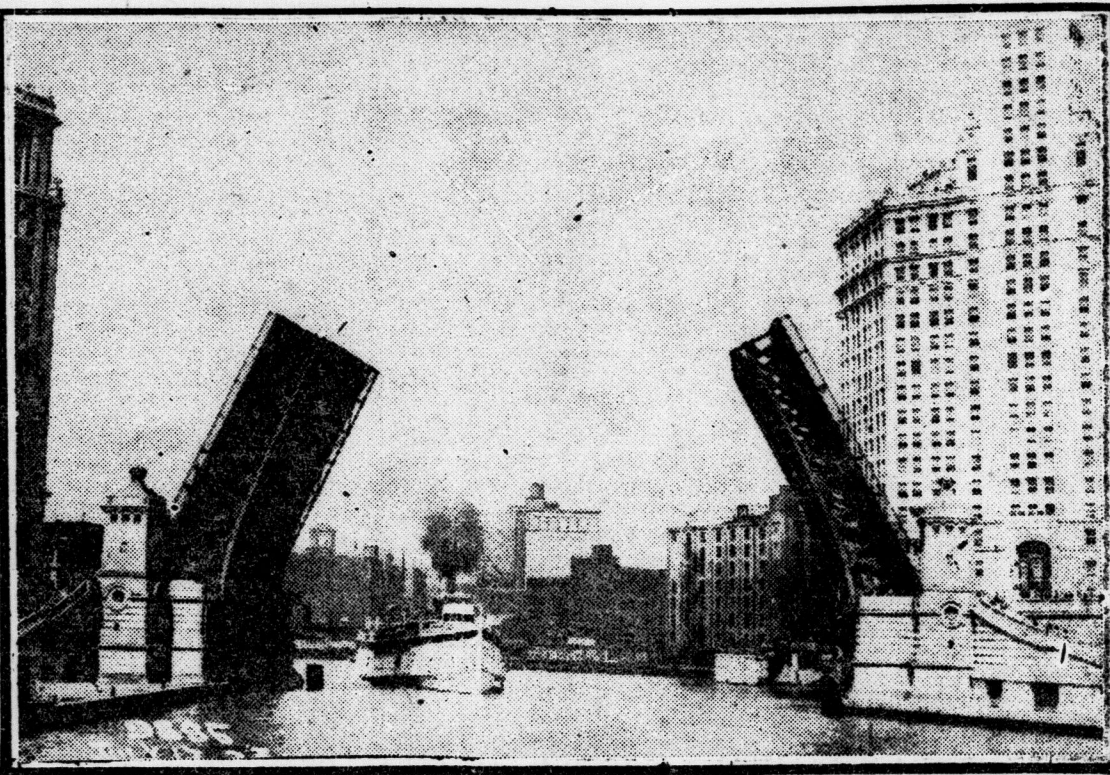
"God is the receiver of sinners, and He is also the Saviour of sinners," stated Mr. Mackay, "and we glory that God receives them." The choir, aided in both the services and their selections helped make the anniversary a success. A special offering was taken, and will be given to help pay off the mortgage on the new church.

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Stolen Waters Are Put To Use By Chicago



STUDENTS ATTEND AID IN SERVICES

University Men and Women Made Welcome at Dundas Centre Church.

ORCHESTRA FEATURE

The young people's society of Dundas Centre (United) church gave a special invitation to the university and other students to worship with them on Sunday evening. The invitation was accepted by large numbers, who were made to feel at home in this well-constructed and accessible church.

Dundas Centre, along with others, is no longer on the outskirts of the city's growth but sees the downtown privilege and responsibility and problem in the near future.

It is now part of the United church of Canada and assumes the obligations and shares in the religious life common to that organization of the Christian church.

For several years it has been the custom for the congregation to be at home to the students of the city, and the arrangements were made largely through the young people's society or league. The students found a place of worship in which welcome and restraints were happily blended.

On the other hand the student body aided in the evening service with their worship and orchestra and appropriate solos.

Sermon By Pastor. The service was in charge of the pastor of the church, Rev. Edwin A. Pearson, who has been minister since last June. The text chosen was from Micah vi, 8, which in Moffat's translation reads: "O man, he has showed you what is good, and what does he require of you to do but to be just and kind and to live in quiet fellowship with your God." It will be remembered by some that when the late Theodore Roosevelt was being inaugurated as president of the United States he chose this verse as the one which he would kiss when taking the oath of office, and in the estimation of Prof. George Adam Smith this statement by Micah of the great requirement is the greatest in the Old Testament.

The main thoughts of the sermon were grouped around the ideas of work, love and religion, those great "laws of life." From Eden to the Eternal city, the religious life is the life of a being greater than ourselves, whose power we own and upon whom we are dependent. It is essential to be in vital contact with that source of strength who completed the work given Him to do, and whose love is celebrated in every true religion.

After the conclusion of the service a large number gathered in the Sunday school room, where a short program and introductions brought strangers into the church atmosphere. Among those taking a leading part were Messrs. Rennie, Forrestal and Leon Adams and Miss Margaret Forbes.

ROBBERS GET \$20,000. Stillwater, Minn., Dec. 5.—Burglars knocked off the dials of three vaults in the Stillwater postoffice early today and carried away approximately \$20,000 in stamps and cash.

and has continued as superintendent practically ever since.

Rev. P. K. Nichol was appointed pastor of the congregation in October, 1909, and the work began to show steady growth. Later the church was united with Chelsea Green church under Mr. Nichol as pastor of both churches.

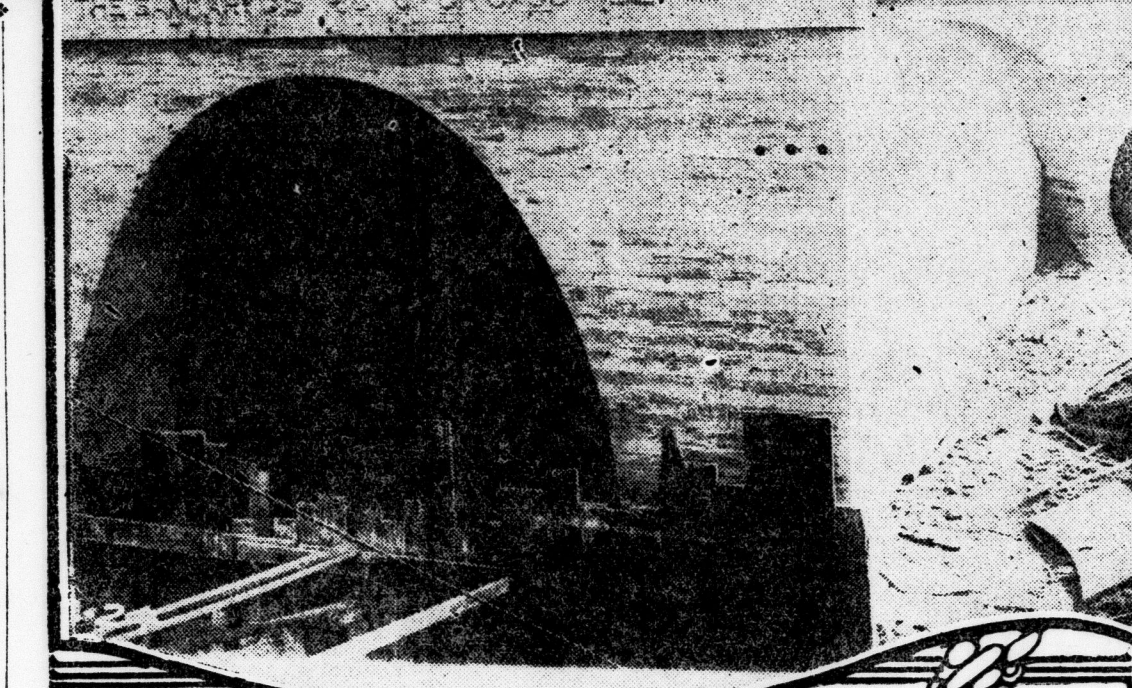
Built in 1918. The present building, a fine red brick edifice, was built in 1918. In November, 1920, Mr. Nichol was appointed as a student pastor, continuing until 1928, when the opening services were held with Mr. Mitchell presiding, and Rev. J. G. Inkster, First Presbyterian church, as the preacher for the day.

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Here is a pictorial slant on the alleged Chicago water steal from Canada. Top left is a scene on the Chicago drainage canal, showing four tug boats carrying scows heavily loaded with cement. When the large route for Lake Michigan to the Gulf of Mexico is completed, its supporters believe this canal will be crowded with traffic. Top right shows the tugboats on Michigan avenue, Chicago, looking west, and is a graphic illustration of the possibilities of a seaport in the very heart of Chicago. The tower is that of the Tribune building. All along this drainage canal in the center of the city there are miles of docks and grain elevators. Bottom: One of the great conduits by which the sanitary district of Chicago feeds its drainage canal. This is one of the new stockyard sewers.

MEN OF NO. 3 HOSPITAL GATHER TO HONOR FORMER CHAPLAIN

Former Members of Overseas Unit Hold Delightful Reunion at Blue Dragon.

COL. REASON IN CHAIR

One of the most delightful after-war reunions held in this city in some time was the dinner on Saturday evening at the Blue Dragon tea room when officers and men of No. 3 Canadian Stationary Hospital gathered to do honor to their former chaplain, Major (Ven. Archdeacon) Davidson of Toronto, who was a visitor to the city for the first time since the close of the war.

Lieut.-Col. C. H. Reason, D.S.O., who commanded the unit in France, was in the chair. There was no formal program, but Major Davidson in response to a neat address of welcome from the chairman spoke briefly, recalling the good times as well as the hard times overseas and expressing his pride and pleasure at having been a member of a unit which had such a distinguished record at the Dardanelles, in Egypt and later in France.

Just to prove that he was growing younger every day, the major favored the gathering with a solo, which was greatly enjoyed.

A pleasant two hours was spent in reminiscences of places and people overseas, following which a brief business session was held, at which it was decided to call a meeting of all former members of the unit now residing in the city, early in January, to form an association with the object of staging a big reunion of members of the unit from all over Canada in London during the week of the centenary celebration next summer.

It is estimated that, with the reinforcements the unit received from time to time during nearly four years of active service, about seven hundred officers, nursing sisters and men belonged to it, and from this number it is hoped to get a large representation next summer.

A committee was appointed to arrange details, and will get in touch with similar committees to be formed in Toronto, Windsor, Sarnia and other centers from which the unit was recruited.

Those who were the guests of Col. Reason at the dinner on Saturday evening included Major Davidson (the guest of honor), Capt. Harry Marshall, W. A. Ashenden, William Hyatt, George Pilgrim, G. H. Stevenson, William Gay, Ed. Penny and Fred Baker. A number of others sent regrets at being unable to be present.

PILOT BELIEVED DEAD. Canadian Press Despatch. Quebec, No. 7.—No further news of Pilot Jules La Chance, who was in charge of the freighter Alfrida when she went aground on Sunday night on the east end of Le Aux Coudres about 40 miles below Quebec had been received at the local signal service office this morning. It is believed that the grounding must have cost the pilot's life.

BOY'S LEG FRACTURED IN STREET ACCIDENT. Owen Williams, seven-year-old son of W. J. Williams, 974 Princess avenue, suffered a fractured leg when struck by an automobile at the corner of Dundas and Egerton streets late on Saturday afternoon. He was removed to Victoria hospital, where he was reported to be doing well.

The accident occurred when the lad, who was with his father, attempted to run across Dundas street. He managed to dodge two autos, but was struck by a coupe when about halfway across.

FOUR INVOLVED IN CHARGES OF THEFT

Harry Bloomfield of Parkhill Is Latest To Be Charged With Raiding Coops.

High Constable Arthur Wharton's efforts to round up the men who have been plundering Middlesex county hen-coops met with one more success with the arrest and confession of Harry Bloomfield, 19-year-old Parkhill youth.

Taken into custody by the high constable, Bloomfield was shown a list of the names of farmers who have complained of losing chickens during the wee, small hours. Picking out four names he admitted being the marauder in each case. When arraigned before Magistrate Zappe at Parkhill, Bloomfield pleaded guilty on the four counts and was remanded a week for sentence.

With four men held on awaiting sentence on charges involving chicken-stealing, Mr. Wharton is feeling no little satisfaction with the work of his staff throughout the county. Goldstein and Brindner were convicted by a jury last week in county court, and John Squires pleaded guilty to chicken-stealing before Magistrate Hawkshaw. In both cases the stolen birds were recovered and identified.

Discrepancies between the description offered by Bloomfield and that of his younger brother regarding the man the chickens were supposed to have been purchased from, gave Mr. Wharton something to work on, and further questioning resulted in the confession and plea of guilty.

MILITARY HONORS FOR LATE SERGT. WILLIAMS

Commanding Officer and Other Members of Stationary Hospital Attend.

With military honors, the body of the late Sergeant Oscar Williams was laid to rest in Mount Pleasant cemetery on Saturday afternoon. The funeral, held from his late residence, 44 Regina street, was largely attended, and a service of floral offerings betokened the respect in which he was held.

Services were conducted by Rev. R. D. Mess and Major Davidson of Toronto, former chaplain to No. 3 Canadian stationary hospital, with which unit the deceased served overseas. The commanding officer and several former officers and men of the unit attended the funeral.

A detachment from the Royal Canadian regiment acted as pallbearers, and stood rigidly at attention at the graveside during the sounding of "Last Post."

Interment was made in the military plot at Mount Pleasant cemetery.

GIFTS TOTAL \$101 IN EXACTLY SIX MINUTES

Unique Appeal at Hope Sunday School Raises Money For Chairs.

A very interesting service was held yesterday afternoon at Hope Sunday school, the most unique feature on the program being the filling of a chart on which were one hundred blank squares representing \$100, which the superintendent, Clarence North, asked from the classes and organizations for new chairs to be given as a Christmas gift to the church.

The B. Y. F. U. opened the offering by donating \$20, after which the eighty scholars present responded, over-filling the chart by giving \$101 in exactly six minutes.

ONLY ONE BUS LICENSE NEEDED FOR TWO BUSES

The London street railway needs only one bus license, because it only operates one bus at a time on the Quebec street route, it was stated at police headquarters this morning.

When traffic is heavy, the larger bus operates, and when it is slack, the smaller bus with a capacity of 20 passengers is placed in commission. The street railway pays a license fee for a 25-passenger bus.

Religion Perfectly Good But Not Used, Says Pastor

Rev. W. R. McIntosh Stresses Importance of "New Commandment."

LOVE IS REAL TEST

At the King street United church last evening the Rev. W. R. McIntosh, D.D., gave a forceful sermon on "A Perfectly Good Religion Which We Do No Use."

He stressed strongly Christ's last words before he died: "Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself."

"But here," the speaker said, "was a difficulty hard for ordinary mortals to surmount. Christ had loved all men, regardless of rank, race or creed; but could we find it in our hearts to honestly love those who were disagreeable to us, our business competitors, people who were diseased in mind or body?"

"A short time ago," said Mr. McIntosh, "I was in the United States, and at that time there was going on a violent controversy which caused tremendous excitement throughout the country. Some people were asking: 'What is the true interpretation of religion?' Christ," Mr. McIntosh said, "was asked this question, and his answer was: 'Stop quarreling about your religion and do it. Love the Lord thy God, and thy neighbor as thyself.'"

The New Commandment.

The speaker traced the effect of this new commandment, as he termed it. "In ancient times many people died in ignorance of it, because Christianity had not penetrated into the hearts and minds of many men. Later, however, in the Middle Ages, when Christ's teachings had taken a firmer hold, there was an aesthetic and artistic interpretation of religion, but bloody warfare and a great deal of intolerance was to be noticed, and except for the works of monks and a few other religious-minded people, the new commandment had little effect. In modern times we have done something in the sending out of missionaries to the far corners of the globe, but still we fall short of the true religion, 'loving thy neighbor as thyself.'"

"There is no Christianity," asserted Mr. McIntosh, "in loving your friends; that is easy. But can you love the badly dressed stranger, the man who has a reputation for being a criminal? If you can do that then you are a true disciple of Jesus Christ."

A Glorious Future.

The speaker went on to say that there was a glorious future for Christianity. "The past is nothing if we have not used it. The Golden Age is tomorrow. Think of the future, when the church produces people who believe in and practice the new commandment. The glory of tomorrow will eclipse the wonders of the past." Mr. McIntosh remarked on the radio, wireless photographs and telephones, and the cure for cancer, and insulin, the cure for diabetes. He cited these as the more remarkable advances made in the present century, which is only beginning.

In conclusion Mr. McIntosh stated that the test of real religion, of true Christianity, was brotherly love. Love of the people in your own home, on your own street, in the same business or professional pursuits as yours. The United church was cited as a step toward the realization of this love, in the bonding together of all classes for the common good. The service closed with a hymn and prayer, after which the Holy Communion was celebrated.

NEW BOOKS OF ESSAYS BY M'ARTHUR APPEAR

Bookmen Predict Sustained Demand For Volumes of Belles Lettres Type.

Many who are interested in the development of a Canadian literature are noting with interest the distinct belles lettres trend of much of our recent literary output. It is not the usual thing for a young civilization to produce early in its career literature of this type; the tendency is towards the very opposite—highly colored realistic fiction; books in which action is the great desideratum, and in which stark truthness-to-life is of vastly more importance than form or style.

This belles lettres trend is shown distinctly in such recent publications as Peter MacArthur's posthumous Around Home and the Chopping Block, by Abbe Victorin. Both books are, frankly, collections of essays—the subject matter wholly Canadian. In the case of the latter, the essays, as such, is more or less sugar-coated with sparkling bits of dialogue and, in some instances, the vaguest suggestion of a plot; but both books are, principally, of the belles lettres type. Last year we had the very similar "Chez Nous" of Adolphe Rivard, another delightful portrayal in living vignettes of life in rural Quebec. These books, and a few others of their class, are Canadian best sellers and bookmen predict for them a sustained demand, due to the simple reason that Canadians are beginning to appreciate keenly the merit of those of our writers who have the courage to attempt "something different."

ILLNESS HAS HANDICAPPED UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS

The departments of German and classics and Huron college of the University of Western Ontario have been short-handed for some time, due to illness among the faculty.

Professor N. C. James, B.A., Ph.D., D.D., the member of the faculty having had the longest connection with the school, being attached since 1898, and now head of the department of German, has suffered an heart attack, and it is thought he will be unable to return to his duties until after the New Year.

Rev. C. C. Waller, M.A., D.D., F.A., G.S., principal of Huron college, is suffering from a slight indisposition, but it is probable that he will again be able to lecture tomorrow.

Professor N. W. Auden, M.A., of the department of classics, who has also been ill for some time, returned to his duties today.



VISCOUNT ALLENBY, who will tour Canada early next year, according to plans of the national educational council.

KING GEORGE MUST TAKE HEALTH TRIP

Doctors Believe British Ruler Should Leave England Two Months Each Year.

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 6.—King George will have to leave his island domain for a two months sea trip every year, his medical advisers have decided.

The Mediterranean trip, which the King took last spring was a complete success, and an annual repetition, preferably in the spring, will be necessary for the good of the royal health, the physicians believe. His majesty has weak lungs, which, with the approach of his threescore years, are affected by the damp London winters.

The problem of building another royal yacht to replace the obsolete Victoria, and Albert, which is far from a satisfactory sea cruiser, is again being considered. The King was about to build a new sailing cruiser when the war opened, and since then the Victoria and Albert has been tolerated in the interests of royal economy.

Queen Mary, as is well known, is not a good sailor, and the few trips which have been made in the Victoria and Albert have been hard trials for her. The history of the royal yachts has been an unfortunate one. Queen Victoria's first yacht, the Osborne, was a good sea boat, but had cabins which the Queen and her family found the "merchandise," and she ordered the Victoria and Albert. King Edward soon realized its drawbacks and built the Alexandra, which, however, was never popular with the royal family, and like the Osborne, was sold.

It is rumored that the new yacht will be the most palatial cruiser ever built in Great Britain.

JEWS TO COMMEMORATE THE FEAST OF LIGHTS

Ceremony Is Memorial For Victory of Maccabees Over Antiochus.

Jews of this city will commemorate the Feast of Lights, which starts Dec. 11 and which will continue for eight days. This memorial for the victory of the Maccabees over Antiochus Epiphanes of Syria brings a message for these days of intolerance and religious bigotry, according to the Jews' belief, and there are many men who, like Antiochus, would force mankind to a common faith, and there will be always Maccabees ready to challenge them to proclaim freedom of worship. So on Friday night every Jew will light a candle and add one candle for eight successive days. The Jew believes that this light of religious freedom may be a weak flame from a single taper, but he hopes and prays that it will increase in time to an almost splendid blaze.

These candles are kindled in the home with the master of the house surrounded by his dear ones, reciting the special benediction for the Feast of Lights. This is being celebrated by Jews all over the world.

GEOFFREY A. WHEABLE MASTER OF ST. JOHNS

Officers for 1926 were elected Friday night at the regular lodge meeting of St. John's lodge, No. 2024, A. F. and A. M., held in the Masonic temple. The officers elected will be installed on Dec. 28. The following are the officers elected: I. P. M., or, Bro. Clarence J. Atkins; worshipful master, Bro. Geoffrey A. Wheable; senior warden, Bro. Ed. L. George; junior warden, Bro. Reg. Wilson; chaplain, Bro. Rev. A. B. Bice; treasurer, Wm. C. Brown; secretary, Wm. C. Brown; Bro. R. B. Pearson; Bro. Smith; senior deacon, Bro. W. K. Parkin; junior deacon, Bro. W. W. Scott; inner guard, Bro. Claude White; director of ceremonies, Bro. S. J. Martin; senior steward, Bro. J. Curtis Robinson; junior steward, Bro. Everett LeDuc; organist, Bro. Ewart Mapletoft; tyler, Bro. Wm. C. Brown; representative Masonic board of benevolence, Bro. W. J. H. Wilson; representative to Masonic board of finance, Bro. G. A. Wheable; Bro. Reg. Wilson; Bro. W. H. Line; auditor, Bro. R. B. Pearson; Bro. Syd Hudgill; examining board composed of three installed masters, Bro. Geo. E. Logan, Rt. Wor. Bro. J. B. Smith, Wor. Bro. H. T. Bell; committee of general purpose, worshipful master, senior warden, junior warden, secretary,