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GOOD TURNS OF BOYSCOUTSMAN IN RECENT DAYS

Help Greatly to Make Others Happy at Christmas Time

Although scouting events were interrupted during the last two weeks due to the Christmas season, the real Scout spirit of helping others has not been forgotten. One of the largest annual Christmas good turns, that of delivering Christmas stockings to the poor kiddies, was an outstanding community good turn. Others included aiding in decorating churches, helping with concerts in aid of those in need at this time, delivering Christmas dinners for the churches to which the troops belong.

TOY SHOP SUCCESS.

A special achievement was the Boy Scout Christmas toy repair shop. Although this was the first year for such an undertaking here it proved a great success and next year it is hoped it will be even greater. The Rover Training Troop, under the leadership of Arthur Anglin deserve great credit for the way in which the toys were handled, repaired, repainted and delivered. The delivering proved to be a problem, but this was met with by the kindly assistance of Drury & Son, who gave the use of their team, also by the services of Rover Scout V. T. Peichard who worked the trucks on all Christmas Eve. The Boy Scouts Association is very grateful to J. Drury & Son, for their assistance in this matter. Many of the Scouts were fortunate this year in receiving as gifts, parts of their Scout uniforms. These they should value very highly and make effort to be in full uniform as soon as possible.

FOR NEW YEAR'S.

The time approaches when a large number of people make New Year's resolutions. What would be a more fitting resolution than the Scout promise and live up to it? If you have done your best during the last year, try a little harder and make an improvement. If you failed to live up to every phase of the Scout Law and promise, as we all at some time or other do, make certain that it does not happen during 1927. If you failed to do your good turn every day, keep a look out for the coming year and make sure you do a good turn every day.

ROVERS RESUME.

Rover Training Troop will settle down to its regular Thursday evening meetings and it is expected the troop will get away to a good start. The troop meets in the Rover Den on the third floor of the Board of Trade building, 162 Prince William street.

On behalf of the Saint John District Council of the Boy Scouts Association, the District Secretary, W. E. Hoyt, wishes all Scouts and Scout Leaders as well as all Cubs and Cub Leaders and all those connected or interested in scouting, a very happy and successful year in scouting. Owing to the Christmas season there are few troop reports to publish but following are some:

NO. 2 ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's Troop met on Monday under the supervision of Rover Scout V. T. Peichard. The meeting was not up to the standard on account of the Christmas season. After the opening sermon the boys were taken to a night hike to Mud Lake, during which the Scouts were instructed on the stars, including traveling by night and telling the time by the stars. The hike returned about 10 o'clock.

On Tuesday afternoon the troop had winter hike on snowshoes and skills to Fryer Pan Lake under their leader, V. T. Peichard. A model bus lesson was constructed, tracking games were played and No. 2 patrol won eight points. Four Scouts successfully passed their lighting and cooking tests for second class. An excellent afternoon was enjoyed and another such hike is being looked forward to with anticipation. In the last report it was omitted to state that N. Traflet had passed his Tenderfoot tests and that J. Dunlap was invested as a Tenderfoot Scout; also that E. Barber, one of the troop committee, presented to District Secretary W. E. Hoyt a Scout leader's diary on behalf of the troop in recognition of his services as Scoutmaster until a permanent one could be obtained.

NO. 11 ST. LUKE'S.

Twelve boys assembled on Monday evening, Dec. 20. Excellent Scout work was displayed by the boys and a few Scout games were also indulged in. Scoutmaster R. E. Adams, who is now feeling better after a brief illness, was in charge of the troop and was assisted by Geo. Wakeham. At a Court of Honor meeting it was decided to hold the next meeting of the troop on January 10, '27. St. Luke's Troop No. 11 wishes the various Scout troops and their leaders a very happy and prosperous New Year in Scouting.

NO. 11 ST. LUKE'S PACK.

The pack had a very good turnout on December 21, with 24 boys present. Every boy in the Pack has now passed his Tenderfoot badge except two new recruits. Some are now ready to pass their First Star tests. Cubmaster R. E. Adams had charge of the meeting with the assistance of George Wakeham and Pack Leader Louis Scott. The next meeting will be on January 11. St. Luke's Pack wishes all other packs in the district a very happy and prosperous New Year in all their Cub work.

NO. 6 EDITH AVE. PACK.

This Wolf Cub Pack met on Friday evening, December 17, with 21 Cubs present in charge of D. Raymond Miller, assisted by the Misses Catherine Chetley and Frances Russell. A full program of Cub activities was thoroughly enjoyed. The Cub meetings are gaining in interest and there is keen competition between the stars.

NO. 13 YOUNG JUDEAN TROOP.

The Young Judeans met on Wednesday evening after a three weeks' snow.

ALMANAC FOR SAINT JOHN, DEC. 31.

Table with 4 columns: A.M., P.M., High Tide, Low Tide, Sun Rises, Sun Sets.

Local News

CARDS ENJOYED.

The regular weekly card party of St. Joachim's church, Silver Falls, was successfully held last evening. Plain forty-fives were enjoyed at thirty-six tables. Following are the prize winners: Ladies, first, Mrs. B. J. Power; second, Miss Anna Gallery; gentlemen, first, James Murphy; second, James F. McLaughlan. The door prize was won by John Kelly.

LOTTERY WINNERS.

The result of the Trojan-Rovers' hockey lottery was announced last evening and the following were the winners: Ralph Munro, \$141, first prize; Ross Farmer, \$24, second prize, and Harry Smith, \$3, third prize. The prizes include a sweater, fountain pen and umbrella and were drawn at the home of Miss Edna Driscoll, 25 Rodney street. All the members of the team were present at the drawing.

OFFICIATES AS SUB-DEACON

On Christmas morning at solemn high mass in St. Mary's Cathedral, Halifax, celebrated by Rev. Father McManus, P. P., Rev. Emeric Dolan, of this city, officiated as sub-deacon. The latter is a son of Mrs. Ada and the late Martin Dolan, 844 Haymarket Square, and is a fourth year theological student at Holy Heart Seminary, Halifax. He will be raised to the priesthood during the coming year.

NOT COMING HERE.

Rt. Hon. Stanley Bruce, Prime Minister of Australia, who landed in New York on Tuesday night and after spending two or three days in Washington and New York is returning to Australia through Canada, is to address the Canadian Club in Ottawa, Toronto and Hamilton. An invitation was extended to him by the local club but he has declined. He was received here yesterday that Premier Bruce regretted that lack of time prevented him visiting the Maritime Provinces.

JOHN A. GILLILAND DIES AT ONONETTE

Well Known Resident of Community Passes Away—Popular With Residents

John A. Gilliland, well known carpenter and builder and proprietor of a general store at Ononette, passed away at his residence here yesterday afternoon in the 74th year of his age. He was of a very kindly disposition and a great favorite among the summer residents of that community as well as among those who live there all the year round.

Mr. Gilliland was born in Saint John, but the family moved to Westfield when he was only nine years of age, and he had resided in that section ever since. He was first engaged in carpentry and building work and later established a general store. He had successfully conducted the store for about 30 years. Mr. Gilliland had been in failing health for the last three years, although he was able to be around each day. His illness became serious on Sunday when he took a sudden weak spell from which he never rallied.

His wife died three years previously and he is survived by three daughters and one son. The daughters are Mrs. W. T. Pritchard, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Foster Kirkpatrick and Miss Jessie Gilliland, at home. The son is Frank H. Gilliland residing at Ononette. There are also three grandchildren, Jean, Constance and Peggy Gilliland, at Ononette, and three nieces, the Misses Ella and Minnie Ballantyne at Hillendale, and Mrs. Harry Gale at The Narrows, Queens county.

Hearing in Moncton Case Is Adjourned

The evidence of F. A. McCully was concluded yesterday afternoon in the Chancery court before Mr. Justice Grimmer in the case of Blakey & Son, Ltd., against S. A. McCully and LeBlanc, an action to recover the debt of a property sold to the plaintiff at LeGer's Corner, where interest was adjourned until Jan. 7.

TO EXCHANGE

The choir and orchestra of Main street Baptist church will exchange with the choir of St. Andrew's church on Sunday night. The Main street Baptist church choir will be heard in the Boston train at the Christmas music, under the direction of Mr. Cochran, choir leader and organist.

It was not thought advisable to meet on account of the Christmas examinations. Last week a great many fellows had secured jobs on account of the Christmas rush, others had helped to deliver stockings for The Times-Star Stocking Fund. The meeting was in charge of Scoutmaster Ed Boyaner, assisted by R. Isaacs. There were 13 boys present. Since some of the boys who were members of the troop ever since its organization were forced to leave, the Scoutmaster asked the boys to bring in new blood. A Court of Honor was held with the Scoutmaster in charge, and it was decided to hold a snowshoe tramp, a hike and snowball fight in turn as soon as possible and all the boys are willing for it, the snow.

NICE GIFTS FOR N.B. PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME

Marlborough Lodge, S. O. E., Donates \$100—Open Night Enjoyed

Marlborough Lodge, Sons of England, has forwarded \$100 to H. Usher Miller, secretary of the New Brunswick Protestant Orphanage, to aid this worthy cause. It was announced at the meeting of the lodge last evening. The W. P. H. E. Thompson, in making the announcement, said that this money had been obtained through the efforts of the canvassers, E. A. Lawrenson and Robert Dickey.

It was an open meeting and about 100 of the members, their wives and friends were present. A very fine program was enjoyed and had been arranged by a committee consisting of A. S. Hoveman, F. E. Fitchard and Robert Dickey, supported by the energetic members of the lodge. Heartly thanks were extended to those who took part in the program and to the committee in charge for a very pleasant evening. Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served.

DRAWING HELD

Mr. Thompson in his address of welcome announced that a drawing for the table runner donated by Mrs. F. Esmond was to be conducted that evening and little Miss Edith Thompson officiated, drawing out the lucky ticket, which was found to be owned by Mr. Bewick, a recent arrival in Saint John from England. Mr. Bewick thanked the members and expressed pleasure in being so lucky as to secure a prize so soon after coming to the city.

R. H. Layland was the accompanist for the evening and the program was as follows: Songs, F. Punter; selection, violin, H. Thompson; song, Miss Neely; song E. C. Tremain; musical skit, jazz band; reading, Miss Ethel Thompson; song, H. E. Thompson; piano selection, Mr. Davis; song, E. C. Tremain; song, Miss Neely; selection, concertina, supported by the Five Pals Jazz Band, Mr. McGourty; God Save the Queen.

RECEIVES DONATION.

A pie social recently held at Mechanics Settlement, Kings county, N. B., realized the splendid sum of \$30 and this sum has been received by Mrs. F. Esmond, secretary of the New Brunswick Protestant Orphanage, from those in charge of the pie social. Mr. Miller very gratefully acknowledges the receipt of this generous contribution towards the maintenance of the more than 200 destitute little ones in the care of the orphanage.

CANTATA IS SUNG WELL AT ST. PAUL'S

Two Choirs Unite For Musical Event—Large Congregation—Very Appreciative

The story of Bethlehem, the very beautiful sacred cantata by John H. West, was splendidly rendered in St. Paul's church last evening by the combined choirs of St. Paul's and St. James' churches under the direction of Prof. James E. Browne. The choirs were accompanied by Mr. Browne on the new Woodstock organ assisted by Mrs. Harold Allison at the piano.

The soloists were Miss Audrie Hunter, Miss Dorothy Kee, Mrs. Percy N. Woodley, Chester Bourne, Harold Allison and Arnold Kee. There are many passages of exceptional appeal and beauty, and the rendering of both solo and chorus parts was admirable. The large congregation present was greatly appreciative and Mr. Browne in the double duties of organist and choir director displayed his usual proficiency. A number of other special numbers were also given, including the solo, "The Manger Lovers" by Stephen Barnes, which was exquisitely rendered by Miss Audrie Hunter, and the chorale, "The Star Song of the Virgin," one of Mr. Browne's own compositions, was very effectively sung by the boys of the choir. The brief evensong service preceding the musical numbers was conducted by Rev. Archdeacon A. H. Crawford.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times-Star reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "are you approaching the New Year in a proper spirit?" "Iigger on eatin' a good dinner," said Hiram. "Ah—the flesh pots," said the reporter, "does the spirit of the Settlement rise no higher than the sensations of a turkey dinner?" "Everything in its place," said Hiram. "That's a time for everything that's worth while. Mind the time you set me to go to a cock-fight in Lower Cove one New Year's mornin'?" "But that," protested the reporter, "was years ago—and I've never seen it since. Hooty Goofy's bird was no good—anyway. The thing didn't last five minutes. I said I'd never go to another—and I didn't."

"That wasn't a bad New Year's resolution," said Hiram. "What are you quitting this New Year?" "Really," said the reporter, "I have no bad habits left."

"You haint?" said Hiram. "None," said the reporter. "Then you better quit livin' as soon as you kin," said Hiram.



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