

WOMEN and THE HOME

OPEN AIR MEETING HELD BY W. M. S.

Centennial Women Make Presentations—Group in Charge Arranged Picnic.

The members of the W. M. S. of the Centennial United church departed from their usual routine of business yesterday afternoon and held an open air meeting in Queen's park. There was an excellent attendance and Mrs. H. Walton, the president, occupied the chair. The meeting was opened with a devotional period conducted by Mrs. (Rev.) Wickett, after which Mrs. Watkin read the scripture lesson. An excellent report of the recent W. M. S. convention in Sarnia was given by Mrs. George St. Clair, who was a representative from Centennial. It was very comprehensive and was received with much interest. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was the presentation of a handsome cut glass sherry set to Mrs. George St. Clair, who retired from the presidency of the society recently, and also the presentation of flowers to Mrs. George Collinson, Mrs. V. Dunlop, and Mrs. Deane, retiring officers, as a token of appreciation of their services in the past. The addresses were read by Mrs. T. R. Wright and Mrs. Watkin, after which Mrs. R. H. Reid and Mrs. R. Somerville made the presentations. Suitable and charming replies were made by the recipients, thanking the members for their kind remembrance. At the close of the meeting the group in charge entertained the Little Light Bearers and their mothers to a real picnic, and games and races were greatly enjoyed. The winners in the races were Frances Boyce, June Lyons and Margaret Watkin for the girls, and Gordon Watkin, Glen Pruss and Roger Stanfield for the boys. Mrs. Deane was in charge of the sports, following which a delicious picnic supper was served. Those in charge of the program and picnic were Mrs. R. Somerville, Mrs. M. Watkin, Mrs. George St. Clair, Mrs. A. Russell, Mrs. A. Laidlaw, Mrs. Wickett, Mrs. A. E. M. Thomson, and Mrs. R. H. Reid.

COLBORNE STREET LAWN SCENE OF GARDEN FETE

Pretty Booths Attract Visitors—Slides Are Shown in Schoolroom.

A delightful lawn fete was held on the grounds of the Colborne street United church last evening, when the members of the ladies' aid of the church acted as hostesses. A lovely array of merchandise in attractively decorated booths drew many of the lady callers to their counters to admire and buy. Bunting and flags added a patriotic note to the event and there were flowers in profusion. During the evening excellent selections were played by the Salvation Army band. Many of the patrons also enjoyed a "Trip to Panama," which was shown with slides in the schoolroom of the church. Mrs. J. A. Dickinson, the president, was the general convenor, and she was assisted by the following booth conveners: Ice cream and cakes, Mrs. Charles Lutz and Mrs. William Kaiser; candy, Mrs. G. Walker and Mrs. W. J. Brandy; and lemonade, Mrs. Frank Westbury and Mrs. W. C. McArthur.

MISS LINDEN WILL ADDRESS FROEBEL SOCIETY MEMBERS

A special meeting of the Froebel Society of the city is being held on Saturday morning in the Tecumseh avenue public school, South London, when Miss Linden, of Toronto, will be present to give a demonstration of music for use in kindergarten work.

Following the session Miss Linden will be the guest of honor at a luncheon the members are having at the Belvedere coffee shoppe.

DENFIELD BLUE BIRDS

Denfield, June 16.—The Blue Bird club of Fern Hill, at a recent meeting, announced that the sum raised from tags the members sold at the Poplar Hill school picnic in aid of the Strathroy hospital amounted to \$55.20.

It was also announced that the club would hold a social meeting at the home of the Misses Jean and Lottie Zavitz on Thursday, June 18. During the early part of this evening a game of softball will be played. The members were asked to make a special effort to be present, as several business matters are to be discussed. Refreshments will be served at the close.

ST. GEORGE'S M. C.

A very jolly picnic was held yesterday afternoon at Springbank by the members of the St. George's Mothers' club. An excellent attendance was present, and though the weather was small, every one had a good time. The event was of a very informal nature. While the older folk played a few games and chatted, the children romped over the spacious grounds and had good time without the assistance of an arranged sports program, and concluding the happy affair was a delicious supper.

Social and Personal

Mrs. Scatcherd is a guest with her brother, Mr. W. R. Smythe, in Toronto.

Mr. Murray Armstrong, Oxford street, leaves on Saturday for Warrington on a fishing trip.

Miss Joy Francis of this city was in Woodstock recently, a guest at the Ford-Parson wedding.

Mrs. H. J. Childs entertained informally at her home on Bruce street yesterday at the tea hour.

Mrs. and Mrs. Glennie Wilson expect to motor to Detroit on Thursday to spend the week-end there.

Mrs. McPherson and baby, of Wyoming, have been spending a short time with friends in this city.

Mr. W. Henderson of this city was in Woodstock on Saturday, attending the funeral of the late Mr. Wallace Nesbitt.

Mrs. Joseph Pierce of Port Rowan is at present with her daughter, Mrs. James Hutchinson, and Dr. Hutchinson, this city.

Miss Marjorie Hughes of this city has been visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mrs. and Mr. Leslie Stone in Wyoming.

Mrs. and Mrs. Leslie McNaughton of Sarnia spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hepburn, Pipe Line road.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Harris Wilson of this city, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen in Sarnia.

Mrs. Victor Brown, Tecumseh avenue, is entertaining informally on Thursday in honor of Mrs. Joseph Pierce of Port Rowan, who is a guest in the city.

Among the Londoners going to Toronto on Saturday to be present at the Perry-Thomas wedding will be Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Neill, who are motoring down.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lunan and young son Billy are motoring to Toronto on Saturday to attend the marriage of their niece, Miss Evelyn Thomas, to Mr. Vincent Perry of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Murray and Mrs. A. L. Murray, of Woodstock, will be the guests with Dr. and Mrs. Murray, Wellington street north, for the Murray-Ashton wedding on Saturday.

The distinguished European delegation headed by Mrs. A. J. Freiman, of Ottawa, who are visiting London in behalf of the European orphans, will be the guests of honor at a dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. P. Mink of Maitland street.

Mr. James Chalmers left last week via S.S. Keewatin and C.P.R. for Winnipeg, after a lengthy vacation in the States.

Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers and her daughter Jean, Princess avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers and Miss Jean Chalmers were guests for a short holiday at Orion House, Port Stanley.

Miss Irene McIntyre, Orchard street, has returned home after spending her vacation in Detroit and other western points. While in Detroit Miss McIntyre was a guest at the Watson-Quirk wedding, giving a delightful rendition of "Viennese Legends" on the violin at a reception following the wedding.

On Monday Mrs. J. H. Moran entertained informally at her home, Spruce lodge, Base Line road, at an afternoon tea in honor of the Dowager Viscountess Hill of London, England, who is a guest with Mrs. Rowland Stephens, Lapworth, South London. Mrs. Moran was assisted in serving by her daughter, Miss Lillian Moran, and granddaughters, the Misses Reta and Elva Gorman.

Mrs. George Weniger, Erie avenue, is lending her home on Thursday afternoon and evening for a garden party to be given under the auspices of the Overseas chapter, I. O. D. E. This function will be marked by a sale of home-cooking. There will be mysterious fortune tellers present, and an excellent program of music will be given in the evening. Mrs. Bert Hayman and Mrs. Ralph McKay are conveners for this interesting event.

Out-of-town guests for the marriage of Miss Leah Kennedy of this city, to Mr. Eric Graham, on Saturday, will include the groom's parents, Rev. Archibald Graham and Mrs. Graham of Chesley, Miss Ethel Kennedy, of Toronto; Mrs. M. A. Nesbitt and their daughter Genevieve, of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Turner, of Detroit; Mr. Milton Prout, of Detroit; Dr. Clyde Kennedy, brother of the bride, of United Hospitals, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. B. S. Russell, of Ingersoll; and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre, of Ingersoll.

Mrs. E. Johnston, Hamilton road, entertained recently at a delightful surprise party in honor of her daughter, Miss Mabel Tedbald. Euchre, bridge, games and dancing were greatly enjoyed by the guests. During the evening Mrs. T. H. Kissack, (formerly Miss Bertha Mills), rendered delightful vocal numbers, accompanied by Miss Jean Tamblin.

Mrs. Russell Pickett's clever piano selections were an added feature. A delicious supper was served by the hostesses, assisted by Miss Freeland and Miss Johnston. The guests included Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Tom Kissack, Mrs. Stinchcombe, Mrs. MacRobert, Mrs. Pickett, and Misses Mabel Tedbald, Hilda Snell (Credition), Elizabeth Brown (Credition), Marguerite Johnston, Jean Tamblin, Miss Gee, Miss Ryder, Messrs. T. H. Kissack, H. Smith, R. Stinchcombe, and R. Pickett.

Field day at the London Hunt club yesterday was marked by a large number of entries. Following a morning of competitions, a club luncheon was held and the afternoon spent in

a sealed hole competition in which Miss Audrey Farncombe was the winner in the silver division; Miss Willy Falls in the bronze division, the prize donated by her reverting to Mrs. Ernest Williams, who came second; Mrs. Mortimore Hunt in the junior division. Prizes for the sealed hole competition were the gift of Mrs. Willy Falls. In driving, Miss Helen Ballantyne, Mrs. Marshall Graydon came first in the silver division. Mrs. Alex Wright in the bronze division and Mrs. Mortimore Hunt in the junior division. Mrs. Helen Ballantyne tied for first place in approaching and putting, silver division; Mrs. Ernest Williams in the bronze division, while Mrs. Archie McMahon and Mrs. Mortimore Hunt tied in the junior division.

Among the delegates and visitors to the Eastern Star convention, which is taking place in this city next week are the following, with their London hostesses: From Toronto: Mrs. E. E. Rockwood, with Mrs. George Bolton, Mrs. M. E. Young, King street, and Mrs. A. Wilkes, Beaconsfield avenue; Dr. and Mrs. Elcott, with Mrs. Caroline Connor, Beaconsfield avenue; Mrs. L. Clamond, with Mrs. E. Young, King street, and Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Catton, with Mrs. McMillan, Orchard street. From Kitchener: C. W. Schiele, with Mrs. T. T. Weames, Ottawa avenue. From Guelph: Mrs. Green and Mrs. Ogg, with Mrs. D. D. Dumas, Beaconsfield avenue. From Ottawa: Mrs. J. Irwin, Mrs. Jas. McIntyre and Mrs. M. Parker, with Mrs. James Weir, Euclid avenue. From Hamilton: Mrs. Broom, with Mrs. Davies, Woodman avenue. From Bridgeburg: Mrs. Ditchburn, Mrs. Tait and Mrs. Wilson, with Mrs. M. E. Young, King street. From Welland: Mrs. Kurl, with Mrs. E. Thorpe, King street.

Mrs. J. W. Cahill, Elmwood avenue, entertained at a charmingly-arranged bridge yesterday at the St. Thomas club in honor of Miss Catharine Thomas, bride-elect, and for her own daughter, Miss Alberta Cahill, who has just completed post-graduate work at the Presbyterian hospital, New York city, and will spend the summer in London with her parents. Six tables were in play during the afternoon. Tea was served from a table decorated with roses. Mrs. A. F. Turford of St. Thomas officiating, assisted by Mrs. Graham Symington, Mrs. George Dumas and Mrs. Jasper Robertson of St. Thomas, and Mrs. S. M. Kennedy of this city. The following guests were present from London: Mrs. Eric Rehnitz, Mrs. Olat Rehnitz, Mrs. Wm. Bartlett, Miss Kitty White, Miss Theresa White, Miss Shirley White, Miss Euna White, Miss Sterling Westland, Miss Louise White, Miss Agnes Duffield, Miss Mary Granger, Miss Helen Boughner, Miss Kathleen Richardson, Miss Virginia Harper, Miss Helen Hughes, and Mrs. A. Brown. London guests included Mrs. Cyril McMurtry, Mrs. Gilbert, Miss McKillop, Miss Dorothea Dundas, Miss Margaret Hensinger, and Miss Norma Bruce.

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MOTHERS WANT SPRINGBANK TEST

Ask Utilities For Accommodation To Care For Infants.

The Mothers' club of the city are united in the opinion that there should be some sort of accommodation at Springbank for mothers with young babies.

The matter came before a recent meeting of the Union Mothers' club executive, over which Mrs. W. A. Tanner presided, with the result that a letter has been forwarded to the public utilities commission asking that body to take action on the matter.

For some time past this question has been uppermost in the minds of many London women. Mothers with infants, who go to Springbank for a hot bath, or even for an hour or so out of the city, are unable to find a place in which to care for them.

To meet this need temporarily, the Union Mothers' club suggested that a building be erected at Springbank this summer. If it proves by large patronage that it is needed, permanent quarters might be erected next year.

The building suggests a large square tent with a wooden floor for the best service.

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