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**SUMMERSIDE P. E. I.**

**SUMMERSIDE W. I.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Summerside W. I. was held on Jan. 18th with Mrs. Catherine Praught as hostess. The meeting opened with singing of Ode. Roll call "New Year's Resolutions" was answered by eleven members. One visitor also was present. The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Six pairs of socks and five pairs of mitts handed out to men present for card play.

The correspondence items were read and discussed. It was decided that members would not take part in a short course in dramatics to be held in the near future.

The committees gave their reports. Mrs. H. Dunn on sick committee reported Christmas box being sent to invalid and Institute

to a member, Mrs. Charles Praught reported a fruit cake donated and made by members being delivered. Notes of thanks were read.

It was decided that a travelling apron be started throughout composed of Mrs. H. Dunn and made by Mrs. C. Praught. It was also decided that money be given teacher for refill for hectograph. Program consisted of readings by Mrs. Charles Praught and Mary Gallant and piano selections by Mrs. Joseph Cronin. The collection amounted to 69 cents and returns from card play \$9.00.

Mrs. Andrew Murphy invited members for next meeting. Roll call, a proverb, A sumptuous luncheon was then served by hostess assisted by Mrs. Gerald Walsh and the Misses Praught. The National Anthem brought the happy event to a close.

(Patriot Please Copy)

**LONDON** — (CP) — The union of Post Office Workers is seeking a reduction in the weight of bags postmen may be required to carry, now limited to 35 pounds.

**LINSLADE**, Buckinghamshire, England — (CP) — Buying a "canner" from the proceeds of a whistle drive, the Women's Institute here canned 300 jars of fruit recently.

**COLWYN BAY**, Wales — (CP) — The National Record held here last August collected record receipts of £29,511 (\$118,044) and a surplus of £8,331.

**Alberton**

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McLellan have arrived home from a very enjoyable Yuletide season spent with members of their family in Montreal.

Mr. Arnold Hierlihy, Principal of Alberton High School attended an Executive meeting of the P. E. I. Teachers Federation held in Charlottetown last Saturday.

We again gladly offer congratulations to another Alberton boy, Ptl. Sgt. Arthur F. Green, who was a recent recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Force Cross. Mr. Green's father, Mr. A. Green resides in this town.

The big snow plow is again in operation, and the street and roads have been re-opened for cars and traffic.

The Union Community Club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Howard Clark. The president Mrs. Lloyd Wilkie presided.

The chief item of business was the discussion of a pantry sale. Proceeds to be used to help defray installation of pump and sink in Union School. The members also decided to make two quilts. Work to begin at the home of the President the coming week. The minutes were read by the Secretary, Miss Margaret Forsythe and approved.

Interesting reports were given by the different committees. Lunch committee for next month: Mrs. Edgar Forsythe, Mrs. Edgar Williams. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Clarke. At the close of the meeting delicious refreshment were served by the hostess assisted by a committee in charge.

The Alberton Branch, C. W. L. held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. John A. Callaghan, with the president Mrs. Maurice Perry (Sr.) in the chair. Meeting opened with prayer, followed by the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were adopted.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Michael Ahearn gave a very satisfactory half-yearly report. (Receipts and expenditures since May 4, 1947.)

The Social Service reported that eight Christmas boxes had been sent out. Correspondence, Cards and letters of thanks from receivers of gifts were read by the Secretary. The members decided to hold a card party and dance in the Institute Hall.

It was moved and seconded that the following prizes be given at the end of this school term:

(A) To the pupil with the highest average in Alberton High School.

(B) To the pupils with the highest average in Alberton South School.

(C) To the pupils with the best attendance at Catechism Classes during the New Year.

Moved that meeting be adjourned. Lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Michael Ahearn kindly invited the ladies to her house for the February meeting.

**BEDEQUE W. M. S.**

The Bedeque Women's Missionary Society of the United Church held its January meeting on Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. James Henderson's with the president Mrs. Ernest Weeks presiding and a large number of members and visitors present. The meeting opened with singing hymn "For Thy Mercy and Thy Grace." The scripture was read in unison, followed by prayer of Thanksgiving by Miss Louisa Callbeck. The secretary Mrs. Orville Johnson read the minutes of last meeting.

Mrs. W. J. Reid was appointed the delegate to attend the Presbyterian to be held in Summerside.

The treasurer Miss Mildred Callbeck gave the financial report which was gratifying for the past year. The total amount raised for the past year \$378.00 which exceeded 1946 giving.

The president announced that the February meeting will be "dine day" and extended a cordial invitation to all members and ladies of the congregation, who are not already members to come and join the Missionary Society. Community Friendship Sec'y, Mrs. John Stewart, reported 26 sick calls, two hospital calls during the past month.

The very simple and impressive ceremony dedicating the officers for the year 1948 was by Rev. Burton Crowe. He spoke warm words of commendation for the great work being done by the Women's Missionary Society everywhere in all churches all over the world. Mr. Crowe closed the beautiful service with the benediction.

President, Mrs. Ernest Weeks re-elected.

1st Vice-President, Mrs. Percy Affleck.

2nd Vice-President, Mrs. James Henderson.

Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. Orville Johnson re-elected.

Treasurer, Miss Mildred Callbeck.

Corresponding Sec'y, Mrs. Calvin Leard.

Christian Steward and Finance Sec'y, Mrs. Melville Johnson.

Community Friendship Sec'y Mrs. John Stewart.

Temperance and Christian Citizenship Sec'y Miss Louise Callbeck.

Press. Sec'y Mrs. T. J. Inman.

Missionary Monthly Sec'y, Mrs. Robert Affleck.

Supply Sec'y, Mrs. Albert Weeks.

Organist, Mrs. John Stewart.

Librarian, Mrs. A. Schurman.

**Piusville**

Miss Aubina Gallant has resumed her duties as teacher in Piusville school.

Miss Ruby Thompson has returned to her duties in Bloomfield Station School after spending the Christmas holidays at her home in Roseville.

The snow plows are busy clearing the pavement and side roads, however, they didn't open out the Piusville road yet.

Mrs. William Gallant has returned to her home here after a very enjoyable visit with friends and relatives in the United States.

Miss Zeta Corcoran of Piusville has resumed her teaching duties in Rosebank school.

Residents of Piusville and the surrounding districts are busy hauling their winter's supply of wood before another and probably larger snowstorm.

Miss Alfreda Kelly of Roseville spent a few days in Piusville recently visiting friends.

The Misses, Marie and Hazel Corcoran have returned to their respective schools. Mill River East and Brooklyn after spending the Christmas holidays at their home here.

Mr. Ben Kinch, Brockton, has returned to his duties with Mr. Norbert Corcoran, following the Christmas holidays.

Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gallant spent a very enjoyable evening at their home Monday. The evening was spent in music and dancing.

A dance was held in Bloomfield Station Hall Friday evening. Music was furnished by Louis Peters and Wilfred Veno.

Mrs. John S. Murray spent a day recently with her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Caughlin, Brockton.

Students from Piusville and adjoining districts returning to their various schools and colleges after the Christmas holidays are: Aubina J. Gallant, Lawrence Gallant, Katherine Wallace, Bennett, Donahue, Norma and Joan McKenna, Claire Gallant and Adele McAusland.

**CENTRAL BEDEQUE W. I.**

The January meeting of the Central Bedeque Women's Institute met at Mrs. Ralph Calbeck's on January 5th.

The meeting opened by repeating the Creed in unison, followed by roll call of 14 members answering by a suggestion on what we should avoid during 1948. Letters of thanks were received from Miss Mable Bradshaw for gifts the Institute had sent at Christmas and T. B. League. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and approved. Collection \$1.75.

Miss Florrie Green had charge of the programme on citizenship and a reading by Mrs. Howard Schurman "A New Member."

The financial report for 1947 is as follows: Money raised during the year, \$195.11. Expenses \$122.18 leaving a balance on hand \$72.93. Lunches at rink \$42.50. Ice cream social \$30.00. Donations to T. B. League, Cancer Fund, Greece relief, Hospital stools, Help Janitorship cleaned school.

Following list of officers for 1948: President, Mrs. John Green. Vice-President, Mrs. Ralph Calbeck. Sec'y Treasurer, Mrs. Ellis Webster.

Directors, Mrs. A. E. Wright, Mrs. J. F. McKenna and Mrs. Melville Johnson.

M. Johnson invited the members to her home for the February meeting. Meeting adjourned with a lunch served by the hostess assisted by the committee.

**EMYVALE SCHOOL CONCERT**

On December 3rd, the pupils and teachers of Emysvale presented their concert in the gymnasium to a large and appreciative audience. The hall was nicely decorated for the occasion while a well-decorated tree occupied one side of the stage.

Mrs. Lawrence Murray presided at the organ and Mrs. Amos Callaghan was soloist for the evening.

Mr. Walter Coody acted chairman and called out the following numbers on the programme: Chorus — by the scholars. Welcome Drill — by seven pupils.

Dialogue — "Hoke and Poke"

Monologue — "Not Fair" by Eileen Murray.

Recitation — "Down on the Farm" by Brendan McGinn.

"Dialogue — "An Uncomfortable Predicament"

Tableau — "An Old Maid and Bachelor"

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"Step dance by Leonard McDonald.

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SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I.

**INDIA MAINTAINS ARMY** — India's peacetime army will total 270,000 officers and men. All Indian troops stationed overseas will be recalled by March 31, 1948.

**HULL**, England — (CP) — Getting more than his fair share of the one-ounce weekly bacon ration was one of things sited against Evelyn Rainforth's husband, when she was granted a divorce.

Dialogue — "A Visit to the Old Regions." Dialogue — "Detective Snoop and Dr. Doop." Intermission — Sale of fudge. An Interrupted Recitation. Dialogue — "Too Greedy by Half" Drill — "Candle Lighting Time." Drill — "White Wings." Dialogue — "Three O'Clock In The Morning." Violin selections by Leonard McDonald (encored). Song by Leo Gallant — "The Dankard's Son" (accompanied by Blanche Murray on guitar. (encored "Linda Lou"). Step dance by Patrick Clark (encored) accompanied by James McDonald (violin), Blanche Murray (guitar). Recitation — "Good-Bye Kiss." Chorus — "Here Comes Santa Claus." Santa then appeared and distributed the presents from the heavily laden tree to the pupils and teachers, Myrtle Costello and Rita Bradley. After wishing one and all a Merry Christmas, Santa wended his way northward. The chairman then called on Mr. Cody Myers, who was in the audience to add his talent to the programme. Cody sang "Putting on the Style" (self accompaniment) —encored. "The Fighting North Novas". The pupils were treated to fudge by the teachers, while the Institute treated them with oranges and apples. The program was brought to a close by the National Anthem. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, music being furnished by Blanche Murray and James McDonald.

**Canadian Composers Concert**

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 18. — A group of Canadians will achieve the life-long ambition of most music composers on January 27 when Sir Ernest MacMillan, conductor of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, steps up on the podium at Massey Hall here to conduct this sick, call it here to conduct this world famous group of musicians. On that occasion musical history will be made for the Toronto Symphony Orchestra will present a special concert of music only by Canadian composers.

Among those whose works have been selected for this Music by Canadians Concert are Claude Champagne, Maurice Dela, Jean Vallerand, Godfrey Ridout, Leo Smith, John Weinzweig and Healey Willan. Sponsored by the Composers Authors and Publishers Association of Canada, this all-Canadian concert is part of an extensive program designed by this association to help and encourage music composers and to foster and develop a greater appreciation of music and culture across the Dominion.

Entitled "Ballade", the composition by Maurice Dela of Montreal, included in this program, won an award last year in the annual competition sponsored by the Composers Authors and Publishers Association for compositions of serious music. A guest artist, Leo Barkin, noted Canadian pianist, will appear with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra for the performance of this composition.

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