

Continual Philandering Causes Wife Heartache

Dear Mary Haworth: I am in an awful state of mind and am turning to you as to a wise, sympathetic yet stern friend for guidance. My God speak through me and help me. In my late twenties I married a man five years my junior, 18 years ago. We have five children, a son, 7, and four daughters ranging in ages from 11 to 17. They are a great blessing, not only to their goodness, but to their special kindness during my difficulties. My husband is a good man in many ways, from a wonderful family. He is professionally outstanding, with above average education, but emotionally unstable. He has several affairs before we married (I did not know). And he has slept with half a dozen women in passing, since we married. Now he is engaged with a twice-married woman, two years his junior, who was divorced for adultery by her first husband. I started over a year ago, and since I first learned of it, some months later, my life has been a hell. Don't you think that's more recent? He's not sure, but there's something about her he can't give up. He says he loves me and the children and wants more than anything to make a life with us, but can't summon the effort to straighten out. He says I am beautiful and she isn't; that I am just as satisfactory, except that she represents a better relation to hidden filth. How can a wife compete with that? Who can I have handled things wrong. But I believe you should not have to "handle" marriage; it should be an honest relation. We've talked to a psychiatrist, who told me on my second visit that I should not try to do what I don't want to do. I don't want a future without him. I don't want to be sick and he thinks I am. I am sick; sick at heart and feel I can't go on. I don't want to be sick and apart as I can't otherwise. I am dragging through him, long hours of waiting, and he is sad for me. I am sorry for him, but I don't know what to do. — W.S.

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Holiday Treats Are Distributed

An exchange of gifts among members of the Clinton Women's Society was held at the home of Mrs. Horace Plynter, with the president, Mrs. Harold Heaney. The usual treats for the shut-ins and the children of the district were served. Mrs. Wilfred Pickering was in charge.

The members decided to buy a T.B. bond. Programs for 1947-48 were distributed to the members. Christmas presents were received from the district convention president, Mrs. Donald Lambert, who is visiting in the U.S.A. Mrs. Weirum MacKay offered her home for sewing classes to be held in January. Following the meeting the members sang Christmas carols with Mrs. Robert Heaney at the piano, after which refreshments were served by the hostesses assisted by Mrs. James Plynter and Anna Paynter.

Long River UCW Elects Officers

"Love Came Down at Christmas" was the theme of the worship service used by Mrs. Fred Doughart at the Christmas service of Long River United Church Women's Society. Officers elected for the 1948 year: president, Mrs. Hillard Thompson; vice-president, Mrs. E.W. Johnson; secretary, Mrs. E.W. Johnson; treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Johnstone; convener, Mrs. Archie Johnson; finance, Mrs. Wendell Thompson; nomination, Mrs. George Howatt; programme chairman, Mrs. James Johnson; Christian citizenship, communication and social functions, Mrs. James Bernard.

Community friendship, visiting flowers, and membership conveners, Mrs. Andrew Johnson; Christian citizenship, social assistance, supply and social assistance, Mrs. Edwin Bernard; Christian and missionary education, Mrs. Ernest Dunning. Representatives to the official board: Mrs. Fred Doughart, organist, Mrs. Ernest Dunning and Mrs. Horace Johnson; Christian citizenship, social assistance, supply and social assistance, Mrs. Edwin Bernard; Christian and missionary education, Mrs. Ernest Dunning. Mrs. William E. Johnson is to send church notices to the members. Mrs. Ralph Johnstone invited the members to her home for the next meeting. A box of used clothing was packed for Brunswick Street Mission, Halifax. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Horace and Mrs. Hillard Thompson.

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HAPPENINGS

Motion Bell has returned to his home in Murray's Harbour after spending the past three years in Europe, Africa and Australia. Mrs. Bruce Sead and little daughter, Nancy, Bay Fortune have returned home after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Keith Foster and family, Greenwood, N.S. Mr. and Mrs. Eustachius MacCarron, St. Catharines, Ont. are visiting in Montague, guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacDonald, Kilmuir, have taken up residence in Brooklyn. A Roll call was answered by 20 members at the regular meeting of the Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Montague branch, held at the home of the president, Mrs. David L. Macdonald. Plans were made for the teen age dance, to be held December 22 and Mrs. Charles Hickey of-

ing to arrange for musicians. Being committee for the children's Christmas gifts are Mrs. William Blakeney and Mrs. Fred Campbell. Mrs. W. H. Brown invited the members of the Christmas meeting. Mrs. George Hardy, Elmstead, left by plane (Wednesday) to visit her daughter, Mrs. Weston Coffin and his sister, Mrs. Birtle Coffin, Kingsboro, spent the weekend visiting their mother and sister. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Coffin in Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Ger in a left Murray Harbor, Dec. 14th for Florida where they will be staying for the winter months. The staff of the Home For The Aged, Kensington Rd., visited Tuesday evening with Mrs. William Lacey, a former staff member, at her home in Tracadie. Gifts were presented to Mrs. Lacey, a sing-song enjoyed and refreshments served.

Candlelighting Is Symbolic Of UCW Four Fold Purpose

The year's work of North Bedeque United Church Women's Society was reviewed by Mrs. Louis MacKay at a candlelighting service prepared by Mrs. Louis MacKay and by Mrs. Eldon Drummond. Bible passages read touched upon the fourfold purpose of the U.C.W. in the birth of Jesus, the revelation of God's love, the resurrection, and the commission to his disciples. In the symbolic lighting of the four candles from the central lamp, Mrs. MacKay guaranteed that at all times the U.C.W. was set forth that loyalty and devotion be shown to Christ in Christian witness, in fellowship and service. Hymns sung were "While We're Here" and "All Hail The Power of Jesus Name".

UCW to hold annual meeting in Trinity Church on January 13th. The retiring president, Mrs. Eriand Ramsay, thanked the ladies for their support and cooperation during her term of office. Mrs. Myrtle Moore expressed appreciation of the work accomplished by the retiring officers. The following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Mrs. G. W. Currie; first vice-president, Mrs. John Scott; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Myrtle Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lorne Cousens; recording secretary, Mrs. Allison Jenkins; treasurer, Mrs. William Roach.

Anniversary Observed

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Woodside of 60 Russell St., Summerside, were pleasantly surprised when members of their family gathered to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The living room was decorated in pink, white and silver for the occasion. The celebrants were escorted by 25 guests to the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Lemuel Tremblay. Their son-in-law, Keith Woodside, was in charge of the presentation of gifts. Corsages were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Woodside by Mrs. Wilfred Woodside on behalf of their seven grandchildren. Betty then presented her Mother and Dad with a bouquet of flowers. A decorated anniversary cake made in the home of Mrs. Tremblay was presented by her to the celebrants.

Annual UCW Reports Heard At Summerside

Gratifying reports from officers and committee chairmen of Trinity United Church Women's Society were heard at the organization's annual meeting held this week at Epworth Hall. The impressive worship service which preceded the meeting was conducted by the Rev. H. D. Smith and Mrs. Leith Clark. Mrs. MacLean read the story "No Room in the Inn." A solo "O Holy Night," was sung by Mrs. Ian Vincent. It was decided to extend an invitation to the Presbytery at Summerside by the recent Miss Wanda Warty.

Mrs. Myrtle Moore was voted to the Commonwealth Relations fund and the Second War Memorial Endowment fund. Members were asked to donate children's clothing, food and bedding for a post family. A marathon bridge will be held in the New Year and a committee consisting of chairwoman, Mrs. W.A. Currie, Mrs. Lloyd Lewis and Mrs. W.E. Smallman are making the necessary arrangements. Donations were received at the meeting to go towards the Christmas hamper to be drawn for on Friday, December 19th. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Eric MacKay, assisted by Mr. David Lidstone and Mr. Donald Stewart.

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North River WI Elects Officers

Mrs. Fulton Warren was hostess for the annual meeting of N. River Women's Institute held in Dec. Instead of annual exchange of gifts the institute accepted an invitation from the Winslow WI for a party when Christmas gifts will be exchanged. New officers for the coming year are as follows: president at Mrs. Earl Younker, re-elected vice-president; Mrs. Keir Warren; secretary, Mrs. Roy Bruce; assistant Mrs. Fulton Warren; Red Cross convener, Eleanor Younker; press reporter, Mrs. Eileen White; auditors, Mrs. Allan MacLean; Mrs. Norris Kilson; directors: Mrs. Jack Peters, Mrs. Arthur Whately, and Mrs. Fred Jewell; visitation committee: Mrs. Elmer Yao, Mrs. John Warren, Mrs. Bruce MacKinnley and Mrs. Keir Warren. The president, Mrs. Earl Younker reported that another layette had been completed. As programme guest for the evening, Harold Thorne, a representative of the Maple Leaf Milling Co. gave an interesting account of the various mill products available, and conducted a quiz. Refreshments were served by the hostess and her committee.

WMS Collects For Travel Fund

It was decided to take up a special collection for the travel fund for Miss Mary MacKenzie, deaconess at large, at the December meeting of the Myrtle Road Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society held at the home of Mrs. Ina Huestis on Saturday evening. It was also decided to take a special collection for the sinking fund at the January meeting. Mrs. Horace Paynter opened the meeting with scripture and prayer. The hymn "Hark the Glad Sound, the Savior Comes," repeated by the members was followed by the creed. Scripture was read responsibly. The Exposition, "The Christian's Salvation," was read by Mrs. Earl Semple. Prayer was offered by each member followed by the Lord's Prayer. One visitor was present. The minutes of last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Lorne Crouser. Mrs. Ralph Moose gave a

READY TO MARRY 17TH. TIME

The bride-to-be was Mrs. Wain's 15th wife, but she divorced him three weeks ago. Then, like one of her predecessors, she decided to marry him again. Wain said they would honeymoon at Disneyland. (AP Wirephoto)

DUCHESS RURT LONDON AP-The Duchess of Gloucester badly strained a ligament in her left knee and narrowly escaped serious injury while riding a horse, it was disclosed Wednesday. The duchess—who will be 61 Christmas Day—is married to the Duke of Gloucester, Queen Elizabeth's uncle.

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Ceremony And Reception Held At St. Ann's Church

Ceremony at St. Ann's church, Hope River on Nov. 21 led in marriage Doris Lacey, daughter of Mr. and Ernest W. Gallant of Trout Road, and William Frederick McPhail, son of Mr. and Mrs. McPhail of 111 of Cornw. Mrs. Lacey was escorted by the girl's cousin was accompanied by Mrs. Lionel Lacey. Mrs. Lacey was married by her father, chosen a full gown of white lace over blue, embroidered with sequins and seed pearls. Her hair was a detailed coronet of pearls from which fell a

Brookfield WI Donates Quilts

Quilts to be remembered at Christmas and treats to be given to school and pre-school children at the school closing. The Brookfield Women's Institute has donated a quilt to the school. Money was voted for the W.B. League.

SOCIALS SOLICITED

PHONE 4-8306

Crisp December weather has arrived, inspiring the usual round of social events. News of coffee parties, afternoon teas, bridge parties or house warming are only a few of the items. The Guardian - Evening Post Women's editor will be happy to help you plan your social. Do you have visitors? Perhaps a form or islander whom friends would like to contact. If you are planning a holiday, giving a shower or entertaining, your club, phone 4-8306 and help make the social column interesting.



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