

Y. M. C. A. News

The Young Adult So-Ed program really goes into high gear next week when the second annual winter series begins.

The first So-Ed was in Vancouver nine years ago and was expressly organized to meet a need in the city for further recreational, social and educational opportunities for young men and women.

In Charlottetown this year So-Ed president is Mr. Fred Norton. Vice-President is Margaret MacKenzie and Sec. Treas. is Mr. George Anderson.

Something new is being added to our Junior age gym classes. From now on each Friday afternoon will be devoted to instruction

and playing badminton. This is for members 12 years and older.

Last Friday night all the members of the Charlottetown Hi-Y met for the first of what they hope will be regular monthly meetings of all Hi-Y clubs.

The regular weekly meeting of the Grads last Wednesday evening was the scene of much discussion of Charlottetown's Festive Week.

North Tryon Notes

Mr. Less MacDonald and Heath Chisholm were visitors to Charlottetown on Saturday.

Mr. Earl Mayhew and Leroy Dart were at Albany on business on Saturday.

Mr. Albert Callbeck was to Charlottetown on Monday.

Mr. Ira Cairns of North Tryon was a visitor to Summerside on Saturday.

Many friends of Mr. Howard Callbeck are glad to hear that he is improving in health after an operation.

Mr. Sheldon Dixon was a visitor to Summerside on Saturday.

The North Tryon Young Peoples was held in the manse on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Leroy Dart was a visitor to De Sable on Sunday.

Carloadings

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—(CP)—Carloadings on Canadian railways decreased slightly during the week ended Jan. 27 to 76,257 cars, compared with 78,044 cars for the previous week, but were higher than the 64,033 cars in the same period a year ago.

The Bureau of Statistics reported today that increases over last year were registered in loadings of grain and grain products, ores, building materials, pulpwood, lumber, gasoline, woodpulp and paper. Declines were shown in loadings of livestock, coal and coke.

W.C.T.U. NOTES

ALCOHOL AND ATHLETICS

For the leaders in athletics as well as for those of only average skill, the prevailing rule, is "Stay away from alcohol."

"I do not believe, and none of the coaches that train men believe, in the use of alcoholic beverages."

"I won't bother with a youngster who drinks," said Connie Mack, who gave the Philadelphia Athletics nine pennant-winning teams in a quarter of a century of baseball leadership.

"I drink no wine or alcoholic drinks of any kind," said Suzanne Lenglen, one of the greatest women tennis players, when asked to tell what French wines she used.

"The person who says that one cocktail or one glass of beer does not make any difference in one's eye co-ordination, and balance is wrong," said Helen Wills Moody, who was United States tennis singles champion for seven years.

"I can quite frankly say that I am absolutely a total abstainer," said Glenn Cunningham, record-breaking mile runner. "I know of nothing more degrading to one's mental, moral and physical well-being than the use of alcoholic beverages. Anyone who uses alcoholic beverages is lessening his ability, no matter in what field of endeavour."

ESSAY CONTEST

The P. E. I. Branch of the W. C. T. U. is sponsoring a Temperance Essay Contest on the subject: "Why I am Never Going to Taste Beverage Alcohol". Pupils in Grades 8, 9 and 10 are eligible to enter the contest and their essay should not exceed 800 words.

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 4.—(Reuters)—The Vatican Observatory is studying a number of newly-discovered variable stars which are among the most-distant bodies of the galaxy. Papal astronomers have provisionally named the stars "Vatican Variables" and have given each a serial number.

Gleanings of a Rural District New Glasgow

Mrs. Lewis Toombs has returned home after receiving treatment in the P. E. Island Hospital.

Mrs. Jeremiah Simpson, has returned home after spending some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hugh McKinnon and Mr. McKinnon.

Mr. A. C. McNeill is a patient in the P. E. Island Hospital, where he is receiving treatment. His many friends look forward to his returning home feeling better.

Mrs. Blair Andrew accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. McCoubrey returned home on Friday, after spending some time with the Brookins family.

What might have been a bad fire at the home of Mr. Ernest Clark on Sunday morning, was subdued in time before it made much damage. The soot in the furnace pipe must have caught fire and ignited.

Friends of Mrs. Edward Graham are happy to know she has been discharged from the P. E. Island Hospital, after a serious operation. She is spending some time at the home of Mrs. Robert McLeod.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Wyand recently, where friends and neighbors gathered to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Butler and their children. Tommy was a flying officer in World War II, and on his return to civilian life he purchased the Lemuel Wyand property, where he and his wife Jean were highly respected. Ready at all times to give a helping hand to all things for the betterment of the community, Tommy possesses a rich baritone voice, and was an

active member in the North Shore Glee Club, and was always ready to use his talent. But the urge to do the airforce blue, and serve his country was strong, so he again offered his services, and was accepted and is now in Ontario. Although the weather was not good, a large number gathered. After the meeting was called to order on behalf of the community, Mr. Laird Johnstone read an address while Mr. George McCoubrey presented them with a well-filled purse. On behalf of Mayfield Women's Institute Mrs. Laird Johnstone read an address and Mrs. Millar Orr presented Mrs. Butler with the Institute Pin and a beautiful compact. Pitting replies were made by the guests of honour. A sing song with Mrs. Ira McCoubrey as pianist was enjoyed, and a dainty lunch was served, after which all departed for their homes, wishing Tommy, Jean and kiddies bon voyage.

The many friends of Mr. Gordon Laird are sorry to learn of his serious illness, but will be glad to learn his condition is somewhat improved.

Messrs George and Ira McCoubrey were visitors to New Glasgow Mills on Sunday where they visited their mother, who is convalescing after having the cast removed from a broken hip. Her friends will be glad to know she is making a good recovery.

Among those who attended the Presbyterian were Mrs. George Gough, Miss Bernice Axworthy, Mrs. Roland Buntain, Mrs. James L. LePage, Mrs. Emmett Bernard, Mrs. B. Andrew, Mrs. Donald Bulman, Mrs. J. W. McLeod, Miss Elsie Laird and Miss Chalmers Laird.

The New Glasgow Auxiliary of the W. M. S. held their January meeting at the home of Miss Elsie Laird, Mrs. Warfield Orr led the devotional period, using the theme, "Perfect Love Casteth Out Fear." The hymns sung were "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross," "Jesus Thou Divine Companion," "Take My Life and let it be." Mrs. R. W. Stevenson read a poem. Scripture

reading psalm 90, followed by short prayers by different members. Mrs. Melvin McLeod conducted the installation service. The president then took charge. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Roll call answered by 11 members. 2 associate members and 1 visitor. Report of 25 calls in homes, 3 in hospital, 5 cards sent and 5 notes of thanks were received. Mrs. R. W. Stevenson gave C. S. reading, Mrs. Millar Orr, as herald, read the Missionary Prayer. Mrs. Edwin Stevenson and Doris Andrew nicely rendered as a duet, "Let The Lower Lights be Burning." Place of meeting left open. The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Cuthill. Six members paid dues. Mrs. E. Haslam sent an offering of three dollars in memory of her mother. Collection \$1.85. It was decided to give flowers in remembrance when a member or an associate member passed to life eternal. For next meeting, Leader—Miss Anna Stevenson and Miss Ella Semple, Heralds—Mrs. Murray Orr and Mrs. Edwin Stevenson, Missionary Prayer—Mrs. Stewart Parkman, Miss Elsie Laird was organist for the meeting.

—Despite very cold weather, there was an attendance of eight-hundred young people at the Bloomfield United Church Young People's Union which met on Wednesday night, Jan 31, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald F. MacAusland. The newly-elected president, Harry MacAusland, presided and conducted the opening devotions. The minutes were read by the secretary-treasurer, Lila Craswell. Plans were discussed for the Y. P. U. to cover the cushions for the church pews and a committee is working on this worthy project. It was decided to invite the Mill River East Presbyterian Young People's Society to a Valentine-Fireside social in the Sunday

School room of the Bloomfield Church on Tuesday, Feb. 13. The study period was conducted by Heber Proffitt, the convener of Culture Department, who took as his topic: "Great hymns of our faith." He was assisted by Mrs. R. F. MacAusland and by Mrs. A. W. Craswell who was the organist. The meeting closed by the Mizpah Benediction after which delicious candy was passed around by the hostess. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mr. and Mrs. MacAusland for their hospitality. Games were enjoyed under the leadership of Mrs. Heber Proffitt.

O'Leary and Vicinity

January went out in a rush of very cold air. On Monday night the unofficial temperature in O'Leary was 18 below zero and with the piercing winds blowing, it made it feel very much colder. On Tuesday night, it showed 8 below, but it was calm and clear and the wind blowing, so a person did not mind it. Over a foot of snow fell during the early hours of Wednesday and in the forenoon causing drifts in several places. The snowplow operator, Dermot MacLean of Mills, reported heavy snow on the paved road from Elmfield to Portage. He told this correspondent he went through it the first time and coming back it looked as if he had never cut through at all for it had blown and drifted. Early in the afternoon he went back again on the paved road and it will soon be in first class condition. Mr. MacLean is rendering fine service to the residents of O'Leary and vicinity by keeping the roads plowed.

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