

# Women

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## HAPPENINGS

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On Jan. 6th the Ladies Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion, Morell held a support for members, their husbands and friends. This pleasant evening was spent in singing and dancing to music by Chaisson and MacDonald. The provincial president of the Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. Russell Roper and Mr. Roper were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fullerton and family, Moncton, N.B. spent Christmas with Mrs. Fullerton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tole, Bonshaw.

A recent Sunday service in St. John's Presbyterian Church, New London, was conducted by the ladies of the Women's Missionary Society.

The leader was Mrs. Arnel MacKinnon. Christmas hymns were sung by the choir and congregation, and a solo was rendered by Joyce Murray. The New Testament lesson was read by the leader followed by prayer led by Mrs. George P. MacLeod. Mrs. Waldron Ferguson read the Epistle. An inspiring address was given by Mrs. George P. MacLeod.

Mrs. S.D. Irvine has returned to Charlottetown after spending three weeks with son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Andrew, Montreal.

J. Eric MacGregor, Charlottetown, left this morning by plane for Saint John where he will attend the Maritime Conference of Community Cent. Associations, being held this weekend at the Admiral Beatty Hotel.

The January Meeting of the English United Church Women was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Christy January 6. The president, Mrs. Gunnar MacEwen led the devotions. Roll call of members was answered by Mrs. Wilfred Boyce. The minutes of the previous meeting and financial report was read by Mrs. Elnor MacEwen. The story part of the program was read by Mrs. Roy MacLeod. The meeting adjourned with the Mizpah benediction. Following the meeting a sale was enjoyed and lunch was served by the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gallant, Belvedere Avenue, Parkdale, entertained friends following the New Year's Eve dance. Mrs. Ken Campbell assisted the hostesses in serving refreshments.

Hymie Gregory of the RCN, Halifax, was a recent visitor with his mother, Mrs. Fred Gregory, Allen St., Parkdale.

Lorne Stewart, Edmonton

Alta, spent the New Year holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stewart, Glenarry, Lot 7. He was accompanied by Eugene Workum, Edmonton. They left by car on Sunday from Miami, Fla. where they plan to holiday before returning to their employment.

George Mountain, Darnley, holidayed in Montreal at Christmastime with his brother, W. C. Mountain and his aunt, Roma Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartwell Lynn holidayed in grand-daughter Bernadette and her family, Pincherne, Mass. after visiting with relatives in Kensington and vicinity. They were accompanied by Mr. Bernard's brother, Elmer, of Kensington who will visit his sisters Mrs. John Milton and Mrs. George Milton, Boston, Mass.

Gerald MacLeod and daughter, Chrissina, Dartmouth, were guests of John and Grace Riley, Horace Crozier, Ballie, returned with them to continue his studies at Mr. Allison University.

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Mary MacKenzie, advising that it was decided not to organize a COC group this winter.

The World Day of Prayer service was discussed, and Mrs. Oliver Bernard and Mrs. Arnel MacKinnon were appointed to meet with the other committees on the participating churches.

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## Company Of Wild Ducks Wings Toward The River

"Come and see - you'll never guess what's flying over the children called us to the door this morning. So many things should befall them when he goes to bed and far, who knew he was to enjoy wild ducks along their years: a first-flight robin, a first-flight of spring flowerings come from the damp earth; a visit in a wing from the creek, a first-flight of lamkins at play; a kid goat, kittens, a swallow's nest, a first-flight of the valley, a bow of new moon, or a star "to wish upon."

"Going down to the River" the youngster smiled.

Down to, and across a river, which runs silvery and deep, one of the sons of our district went recently, summoned in a roll of the new year, by Death. The news of his sudden passing brought a sadness to the hearts of kin and friends. For he was a nice chap, this man we have lost, one whose presence when well, brightened the company he was in. Of Scottish name and of bears, he was a big man, blue-eyed, with sandy curling hair, a strong man and able.

A trait in his makeup, which especially intrigued us, was that a while he was unafraid of work, or time or season of anything or anyone who walked by day or night, at the same time he was not unaware of signs and omens.

"We may say we don't believe in them" he would say, "and yet there are happenings, we just can't figure out."

Fond of the farm of his people, he was and the river walked by it, when since a lad he had known so well. His varied summer - moods, his winter - ice as well. Fond too of the participating churches.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fielding, Charlottetown - were visitors to York recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Auld, Charlottetown paid a short visit with Mrs. Gordon Crockett and Mrs. Donald Crockett, Charlottetown.

Mrs. Douglas Moore and Mr. Leonard Brown, Charlottetown returned home after spending part of the Christmas holidays in Summerside, at the home of her aunt Mrs. Myra Murray.

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## GOBS OF GRANDMOTHERS

If all grandmas' conk like baby Leigha MacDonald there will be one small child with an enormous number of grandmothers about some of them are entitled to more than one 'great' in front of the title. Oldest of the seven are Mrs. Catherine More'side, Winslow, shown holding the baby, who will be 105 years old on her birthday later this month. Others in the picture are, backrow left to right, Mrs. Pearl Herman, Pownall; Mrs. John Herman and Mrs. Percy Downe, Charlottetown. Front are Mrs. Ira MacDonald and Mrs. Wallace MacDonald, Covehead; Mrs. Moreside; and Mrs. Sara Ford, Glasgow Road. Parents of the lucky child are Mr. and Mrs. Myron MacDonald, Charlottetown.

## MARY HAWORTH

### Many Outstanding Adults Were Unhappy Children

Dear Mary Haworth: I am 14, an only child, daughter of a minister. My mother is somewhat of an invalid. I do all the heavy work around the house, as she isn't able to.

I make very good grades in school and have won several awards, but this doesn't bring me happiness.

I play the piano, accord and organ. Also I sing at church and in the school glee club, where I accompany a boys' group.

A professional musician has said that I could be a concert pianist.

I am very lonely and particularly during the holidays. I have several nice Christian friends at school whom I love dearly, but at your graduation next summer, due to an engagement in another city, they will be leaving their families then.

I have no real friends among the young people at our church. Some of the girls my age, who are jealous, make sneering remarks. Others look down on me because, at my age, they are ahead of me in school. I lost a year due to illness. The only kids in the congregation who act friendly are either younger than me or several years older.

I have a very sweet kind boy friend who tries to be with me all he can, as he knows my problems. But his parents purposely keep him busy or send him away during holidays to keep us apart. They don't want him to become "a religious fanatic."

It was knowing me that brought him to Christ.

sewing, typing and walking my dog. I do not need the companionship of friends my age. When I ask Mom or Dad to do something with me, they are "too busy." They say they didn't always have to be "doing something" when they were young.

Do you have any suggestions about how to help me? I am very unhappy. Thank you - C.S. Dear Sir: In your letter, when condensed, you mention that your family doesn't have company or take a vacation except for an overnight visit to a grandparent occasionally. Also that they set one far behind in their work. Your Mom being ill; and that your Dad won't be present at your graduation next summer, due to an engagement in another city.

In short, they are leading a nose-to-the-grindstone sort of life, which they are proud of as "the path before them" and don't lament as an undue hardship.

It appears that overall they are behaving according to the respect of their own age. When time, when persons of sterling character embraced life as they found it and made the best of it, matter of factly, even as it is worst, without insisting upon wanting to be happy.

Assuming this to be the ingrained hardy spirit that keeps your parents moving steadily ahead along a rocky uphill road, it probably explains why they don't react compassionately, with open concern, to your restless protesting loneliness during holidays. Perhaps it is the measure of their strength (a parent's strength is measured by his or her ability to make your happiness their first consideration, in doing things for you).

On that score, you may have much to be thankful for, when your own life history is written. Children whose parents knock themselves out, trying to serve the children's happiness on the children's terms, usually aren't any happier for it. On the contrary, as such children grow older without growing up, they are likely to condemn the parents for making a mess of their rearing.

It is a possibly helpful suggestion: Boys and girls who grow up to be notable adults, outstandingly creative, fine artists, inventors, thinkers, musicians, (statement) very often were poor, unloved, neglected children. That is, in the sense that family circumstances set them rather than their own. They were helped by their parents, but they were not helped by their parents.

Go to the public library, ask the librarian's advice, and services help you compile a list of biographies of great men and women in your field of interest. Study them for guidance in hitting your stride. M.H.

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## Officers Elected By Morell UCW

The president of Morell Unit I, UCW, Mrs. Theodore Anderson, led the devotional period at the regular December meeting held in the church hall. Scripture was read by Mrs. Herbert Hawbolt, meditation given by Mrs. Lyman MacEwen and prayer by Mrs. Theodore Anderson.

Roll call was responded to by 12 members exchanging Christmas gifts. Minutes of last annual and regular monthly meetings were read and approved. The financial statement was read and receipts showed \$610.97.

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring officers for their co-operation during the year. The following slate of officers was brought in: president, Mrs. Herbert Hawbolt; vice president, Mrs. Ruth MacDonald; secretary - treasurer, Mrs. Sydney Anderson; Mrs. Theodore MacEwen; social functions, Mrs. Lyman MacEwen; and Mrs. Charles Mosher; manse, Mrs. Elnor MacEwen; press and publicity, entertainment, Mrs. Theodore Anderson and Mrs. R. H. Hawbolt; collectors, Mrs. Theodore MacEwen, Mrs. Theodore Anderson, Mrs. Elnor MacEwen and Mrs. Charles Mosher; lunch committee, Mrs. Herbert Hawbolt, Mrs. Theodore Anderson and Mrs. Sydney Anderson.

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