Women

HAPPENINGS

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Mrs. J. Molloy was hostess to the meeting of XI Beta Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority on mond Street.

The main business of the evening was the approval by the members of a new slate of officers for the coming season which reads as follows: past president — Mrs. L. MacLeod, president — Mrs. D. Wonnacott, first vice president — Mrs. T. Hooper, second vice-president, Miss Helen Cox, Treasurer — Mrs. J. Hodgson, recording secretary — Miss Frances MacMillan and corresponding secretary — Mrs. R. Vessey.

Mrs. D. Dennis presented an interesting programme on lighting in the home and lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Miss Helen Cox and Mrs. D. Gordon.

The Cavendish Unit of the Charge, met at the home of Mrs. Herbert Moore on April 14. Fifteen members were present and the meeting was presided over by Mrs. Morley Bentley. An interesting study from "The Word and the Way" was led by Mrs. Sterling Stewart and devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. David Johnson. It was decided to pack a box for Brunswick House in Halifax, and final plans were made for the salad supper to be held in the new church hall on April 5. The meeting closed with the theme hymn and benediction.

The April meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, Montague Branch, was held at the Legion Home with the president, Mrs. Athol Robertson, in the chair.

The opening ceremony was led by the president, followed by the minutes, correspondence and financial report read by Mrs. Basil MacKinnon. Roll Call was answered with books and magazines for the Riverside Hospital Library. Mrs. George McKeman reported for the visiting committee. The president gave an excellent report on the success of the recent supper, the proceeds from which will be given towards the new skating rink project. Mrs. Robertson also presented a comprehensive report of the Provincial Executive meeting held in Summerside in March.

New business included plans for sponsoring the Girl Guide supper in May, arrangements to be finalized by a joint meeting of the executive and Girl Guide Leaders. Plans were also discussed for having a guest speaker at the regular meeting on May 6 when guests will include members of the Legion and their wives. A special meeting was scheduled for April 13th to make final arrangements.

At the close of the meeting, lunch was served by Mrs. George McKeeman and Mrs. Milton Fraser, Jr.

The vice-president, Mrs. Robert Machon, presided at the regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Kings County Memorial Hospital Friday evening.

The minutes and the correspondence were read by Mrs. R.G. MacDonald who also presented the financial report. The secretary reported that pillows and a number of chairs had been purchased for the hospital. A generous donation was received from Pembroke Women's Institute, and a substantial sum has already been realized from hospital teas.

At the close of the business, the members spent an hour in mending hospital supplies, after which lunch was served.

Mrs. Evelyn Cudmore and Iphegenie Arsenault left last week for a holiday in Jamaica. They will return to Charlottetown in early May.

Mrs. C.A. Coady, McGill Ave., is visiting in Baden-Baden, Germany, with her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Shawn Kenny. Mrs. Coady and her sister have toured Norway and Denmark, and will this week be in Paris. She also plans to spend some time in Italy.

Dr. and Mrs. J.W. Moreside and Dr. and Mrs. Eric Green returned last evening from a vacation in South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burke have returned to Parkdale with their family from Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Cubism to the birth of abstract art will be the subject of a series of slides prepared with commentary by UNESCO to be presented at the Tuesday workshop of the P.E.I. Art Society at Prince of Wales College.

Barry Burden will present the slides which should be an interesting part of the controversial discussions already stimulated at the regular monthly meeting by artists of this great century of painting.

Members are urged to attend and the public will be welcomed at 8 o'clock sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Willis, North River Road, entertained at an "At Home" on Saturday afternoon.

"Background Walls" was the program topic presented by Mrs. J.C. Gallant and Mrs. Sydney Stead at the regular meeting of the XI Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Assisting the hostess, Mrs. Temple Hooper, with refreshments were Mrs. Roderick MacKenzie and Mrs. William Thompson.

The Kensington Presbyterian Young Women's Guild held their April meeting at the home of Mrs. Alan Champion with Mrs. John Bernard presiding.

The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer followed by the devotional period and prayer by the president.

Twelve members answered roll call with a verse of scripture, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Newton MacArthur.

Correspondence was read and discussed. A motion was passed to hold a rummage and pantry sale in the church Lower hall on May 15.

Mrs. P.J. Kennedy will be guest speaker at the next meeting to be held April 28 in the lower hall.

A short program conducted by Mrs. Wallace Thompson was followed by lunch served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Harold Stewart.

"Oh, back there" James nodded.

"May I come too?"

"Oh, well, Dear—"

"I want to know!" the youngster demanded.

"Well, the fact is, you and I have to stay at home to do chores."

"Oh, I see! Then that's O.K." Peter smiled.

Skies smile. And this evening in the afterlight, April set an intriguing bow of moon, high above the old mill in the deep of the valley, for all to wish upon.

THE JOHNSONS IN PROFILE

The Nation's First Family presented this study in profile during a meeting with members of the American Society of Newspaper Editors and their wives at the White House. From left: Luci 16; the President; Lynda, 20, and Mrs. Johnson.

(AP Wirephoto)

MARY HAWORTH

Illogical Affair Traps Weak And Naive Woman

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: I am involved in an apparently endless affair with my doctor and have no logical reason for it. I ask your constructive criticism and your idea of the most sensible way out of this miserable vacuum.

I am in my early twenties, a former beauty contest winner, with an adoring husband, very virile, and we have one child. My husband is never too busy to share with me all the interests that young couples cherish in early married life. To all appearances we are a respectable middle class family.

When I became ill over a year ago, my doctor referred me to a colleague for treatment. He is much older than I and extremely worldly. His seemingly clinical hands were covertly sensual. As the treatment progressed, I became putty in his hands (against my will, much to my humiliation.

At a time when my husband was away on a business trip, the doctor offered me a ride home. In silence we drove directly to a motel apartment. The ensuing episode was a crushing blow to my self-image from which I shall never recover fully.

Later, at home, I considered the gravity of what I had done: broken my marriage vows, jeopardized my husband's career, categorized myself a beast and willingly participated in a dangerous game, the end result of which I knew from the start. Yet the following day I returned to his office.

The affair has lasted over a year, with no end in sight, though no love exists. Meanwhile I have grown less responsive to my husband. I realize I am a weak, self-centered woman, but that doesn't solve the problem.

Both my husband and I are atheists, so pastoral guidance isn't the answer. I considered psychiatry at one point, but just the thought of the self-revelation aspect appalls me.

R.Y.

DEAR R.Y.: You are as one blind, who has fallen into a pit. No doubt it is your atheism, combined with your more physical than thoughtful responses, to happenstance, that leave you so little equipped to deal intelligently, and self-protectively with evil encounters, as personified in the "worldly" doctor.

In effect you were Red Riding Hood meeting the wolf, who led you down the garden path: an easy mark—in your naivete, gullibility and reflex vulnerability—for his cold, calculating, ruthless practise of "perversion of the innocent."

There is a way out of the pit into which you have fallen. It won't be an easy escape, but it can be achieved. The way-of-escape begins in the mind, in decisively willing and wanting to break the spell of captivity to evil. Once that vote-of-the-will has carried, right action will follow, leading you forth to freedom.

It is a fact of life, however, that one of the greatest (almost insuperable) obstacles to escape from such captivity is that persons in thrall to evil find it so seductive, in its hideousness, that they feel as if all other experience is colorless, comparatively. Thus their will-to-escape can be stymied.

It is up to you to throw the switch (of your will) in favor of escape. And when, as and if you make that "act of the will" (as it is called)—which is absolutely essential to your escape from evil and recovery of innocence—you had better ask God to guide, surround and support your carry-through efforts.

I know you've said you are an atheist. But if you read this column, you must know I am not; and you say you've been reading it of recent months. So, on deeper levels than your conscious mind, you are courting God's help. I think—which you truly need in your present desperate plight.

Read Chapter XII, titled "Faith," in C.S. Lewis' book "Christian Behavior" (MacMillan, publisher).

M.H.

ELLEN'S DIARY

Spring Cleaning Thoughts Uppermost In Many Minds

"Smell it! Catch that fragrance!" Papa Starling exclaimed drawing in deep breaths on his terrace this morning.

"It's right from 'dose cotton fiel's back home." we chuckled.

"Right from the South: orange blossoms and —"

"—honeysuckle" we supplied, wondering if our lone vine which climbs up toward the eastern gable, had survived the winter's care.

"Honeysuckle!" he smiled.

And where then was Mama Starling?

At her spring cleaning, naturally. Tidying her home. Debating, we suspected, as does many a one similiarly engaged these times, whether she should get new curtains for the front window, or make do with those she had. Even if they might not survive another laundering, an airing in sunshine and light breeze, would freshen them amazingly. And after all, supposing she could afford to curtain her window with costly hanging, would it improve or detract from the view by day or night of the changing seasons without, or capture more of the desired sunlight, she would wish to enter her rooms?

NEED OF REPAIRS

Ah ha, here was stitching in the offing, we made a mental note. There would be a paten needed on a knee, we could see when we pinned a pair of James' overalls on the line. A sleeve of a work-shirt too was thinning at a left elbow. And the belts of a pair of gray socks we had knitted in long and cozy winter-evenings by the fire, were also in need of repairs.

"How are the new troughs doing?" we overheard the younger farmer question his father, of a pair recently installed in a piggery — These were made from a neat discarded watertank, with a professional halfing effected lengthwise, and certain stabilizing items added. This was the same vessel we had been planning to appropriate to make a plant container to brighten a corner of the yard. Filled with scarlet geraniums, or with nasturtiums for bees' pilferings, how attractive and satisfying to us this could be.

However on a farm, to be practical, troughs and mangers are a first consideration, flowers a secondary matter. Though we sometimes question this notion. We have known farmwives who would willingly part with at least some of those, to grow flowers so "to feed the soul!"

So promising the morning was. So sunlighted and mild. I seemed that no inclement day would follow, nor could ever an adverse wind blow. At an edge of the baring lawn-border, we found snowdrops white-budded.

SKIES SMILE

"And why are you doing that?" Peter, inquired of his grandfather when toward noon, seated on a chopping-block in the sun by the woodshed, James sharpened an axe.

"To go this afternoon to cut the wood" he replied, a bit absently.

"Where?"

EARLY MODEL

Susan Courtney's first modelling assignment was a bit chilly — walking down the model's ramp clad only in fashionable girl's pants before clothing buyers at the Children's apparel Manufacturers' Show at Toronto. Susan, 4 looked much warmer in her second stroll down the ramp. This time she modelled a sweater and slack outfit, bottom picture. She showed five outfits during the night, dressed in her own clothes again and told her mother she was going to do it again next week.

(CP Wirephoto)

SIGNS OF SPRING

Mother Margaret Rose, left, and Mother Rosalina kneel to rid flower beds of weeds in preparation for coming tulips and lilacs. The garden is at Bracela College, University of Western Ontario, a Roman Catholic women's college.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

Morell UC Women Plan 'Easter Bonnet Social'

An "Easter bonnet social" will be staged April 29 by Units One and Two of the Morell United Church Women, it was decided at a joint meeting Sunday.

Anyone arriving without a bonnet of her own creation will have to pay a fine.

At Sunday's meeting the ladies were asked to prepare for a congregational lobster supper, May 27.

The regular meeting of the Unit Two UCW was held April 8 with devotions led by Mrs. Earl James and study book in charge of Mrs. John Cobb.

Mrs. Freeman Jay and Mrs. Wendall Coffin were appointed leaders for the next meeting.

Following the Mizpah benediction, lunch was served by Mrs. Norman MacSwain, Mrs. Sterling MacSwain Jr., and Mrs. James Robbins.

STANHOPE WI

Agriculture was the theme of the April meeting of the Stanhope Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. Harry Lawson. Roll call was answered by 11 members and one visitor with an exchange of Easter eggs.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and signed. The treasurer gave her report.

It was moved by Mrs. Harry MacLauchlan and seconded by Mrs. Horace Marshall that all outstanding bills be paid. Motion carried.

The different committees gave their reports and new committees were appointed.

Mrs. Bernice Ellis reported on Scout meeting.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

It was moved by Mrs. Alvin MacLauchlan and seconded by Mrs. John Misener that we enter the Centennial Rural Beautification. Motion carried.

Mrs. Alvin Maclauchlan reported on the concert to be April 18.

It was moved by Mrs. Horace Marshall and seconded by Mrs. Harry Lawson that we order the institute news. Motion carried.

A contest of homemade hats was won by Mrs. Lloyd Bell and Mrs. Harry MacLauchlan. The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Horace Marshall. This was followed by the Queen's delicious lunch was served by the hostess and a social half-hour enjoyed by all.

CAVENDISH UCW

Final plans for a salad supper on April 25 were made at the April 14 meeting of the Cavendish Unit of the United Church Women at the home of Mrs. Herbert Moore.

The group decided to pack a box for Brunswick House in Halifax.

Mrs. Sterling Stewart led a study from "The Word and the Way" and devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. David Johnson.

EMERALD WI

Ten dresses, three nighties and ten diapers were recently sewn for the Red Cross by the members of the Emerald Women's Institute, it was reported at the club's regular meeting April 8 at the home of Mrs. Reginald Smith.

The nine members present voted in favor of purchasing a briefcase for WI books. It was decided that a "travelling apron" would be started to help defray the cost of the music teacher's salary, and the secretary was asked to write several stores for remnants.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Leeland Mayne.

GRAHAM'S ROAD WI

Household hints were exchanged by 13 members of "Success" WI at their meeting on April 14.

Tentative plans were made for catering to the co-op banquet April 23 at the Kensington Regional High School, and a committee was named.

Mrs. Louis MacLeod offered to attend to two requests received — from Stanley WI for numbers for a concert in May, and from Mrs. Dewar for aprons from the convention area for sale at a PWIC convention in Wolfville.

Mrs. Ray MacLeod and Mrs Louis Campbell will meet with the shareholders of the hall on April 27 to discuss the feasibility of renovations.

A reading by Mrs. Louis MacLeod and bingo conducted by Mrs. Earle Murray comprised the meeting's program.

BALTIC WI

The members of Baltic Women's Institute were entertained in April at the home of Mrs. William H. Burns of Summerside with a good attendance.

The meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. David Cousins, after the regular routine of business was carried out a social hour followed. Lunch was served by Mrs. Burns assisted by Mrs. Cousins.

YORK

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth MacDowell, Glen Valley, spent Sunday in York, the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Donald Crockett.

Mrs. Laken Lewis, had as her guest on Sunday, her sister, Miss Joan MacLellan.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Simpson, Bayview, spent Sunday in York.

Miss Helen Lewis, Charlottetown was the recent guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis, York.

Allen Brown has returned to his home in York, after being a patient in the P.E.I. Hospital.

Mrs. Lacey, York manse, was hostess to the UCW on Tuesday evening.

Miss Rose Watts, York, spent Tuesday with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. MacArthur, Union Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Watts and daughter, York, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Watts, Grand Tracadie.

Mrs. Beverly Simpson was hostess to the UCW group, at her home on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ashely and two children Ruth and Mark, York, were guests of Mr. Ashely's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ashely, Charlottetown, on Sunday.

UCW met at the home of Mrs Will Crockett, on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Mary MacDonald, Winsloe was the guest of her daughter, Mr. Cecil Watts, York recently.

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