

Walsingham Personals

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson of Lucknow were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Titus were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Titus of London.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grey spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gero and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Gero of Silver Hill.

Roger Smith has returned after a lengthy stay in Till-

sonburg District Memorial Hospital.

The Walsingham Women's Institute served the funeral luncheon for Mrs. John Pattison.

Business Program of The Walsingham Women's Institute

The business meeting opened with the singing of the "Institute Ode and the repeating of the "Mary Stewart Collect." Mrs. Hamm conducted an In Memoriam for Mrs. John Pattison who is a past president of our institute. We observed a one minute silence.

Mrs. Hamm chose as her poem "Just One Plea." The roll call "What I Want From The Wish Book" was well answered. The minutes were approved as read. The treasurer's statement was submitted. Correspondence was a Thank-you note. Bills were submitted. It was moved by Mrs. Maynard Long and seconded by Mrs. Beausart that the bills be paid. "Carried."

Current events included a fire in Los Angeles, Tobacco Auction Opened Nov. 26, Teachers and postal strikes still on. The Queen will open

the Olympics and parking meters will be removed from Port Rowan. Birthday and Nutritional Education cans were passed. Mrs. Allport reported we will be serving lunch for Mrs. Jack Pattison's funeral in her Social Room.

The plastic is coming off the windows and must be repaired and the Fire Department is coming to check our hall Wednesday night for fire extinguishers. There was no Hall Report. The sunshine convenor reported she had sent two cards for sick people Mrs. Lynn Byer gave the 4-H report. She reported the clubs are finished. They are all preparing for Achievement Day.

The one minute convenor's reports were given. Mrs. LaCroix reported on attending the Royal Winter Fair. Mrs. Allport gave the Hamilton Area convention report. Mrs. Hamm reported on her meeting with Mr. Carl Szucs about our hall. It was moved by Mrs. Allport and seconded by Mrs. Maynard Long that each member bring something for our Christmas Luncheon "carried." It was moved by Mrs. Allport and seconded by Mrs. Robillard that we don't have a children Christmas Party this year "carried." It was moved by Mrs. Maynard Long and seconded by Mrs. Glennis Long that we do senior citizen's plates this year and that each plate should value \$1.50. Mrs. Robillard, Mrs. Eldon Byer, Mrs. Glennis Long, and Mrs. Maynard

Long volunteered to do the Senior Citizens Plates. It was suggested for our adopted citizen at Norwiche that Mrs. LaCroix purchase a pair of fuzzy slippers. It was moved by Mrs. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Butler that we purchase a ladies and gentlemen's gift for around \$2 to be donated to Norwiche for some one that has no body at Christmas.

Mrs. Hamm stated that the Erland Lee Homestead would like to have donations of toys or other things pertaining to a child's room. It was moved by Mrs. Gates that we donate \$5 to the Erland Lee Homestead in memory of Mrs. John Pattison. This was seconded by Mrs. Byers "carried."

It was decided to wear long dresses for our Christmas program on Dec. 2.

It was moved by Mrs. Maynard Long and seconded by Mrs. Allport that Mrs. Hamm speak to Mr. Keith Chamberlain about building our library showcase "carried."

It was moved by Mrs. Allport and seconded by Mrs. Byers that Mrs. Maynard Long go to the Auction Mart and bid on a map. "Carried." Mrs. Hamm reminded us to bring our articles for the Auction Sale and our gifts for the gift exchange on Dec. 2. Mrs. Glennis Long showed us articles she had made from all different kinds of articles. Our next regular meeting will be held January 6.

POEM OUT OF LONDON FREE PRESS NOV. 19

If God Went on Strike

It's just a good thing God above
Has never gone on strike
Because he wasn't treated fair
For things he didn't like.
If he had ever once sat down
And said, "That's it - I'm through;
I've had enough of those on earth
So this is what I'll do.

"I'll give my orders to the sun
Cut off your heat supply
And to the moon - give no more light"
And run the oceans dry.
Then just to really make it tough
I'll turn off air and oxygen
Till every breath is gone."

Do you know He'd be justified
If fairness was the game
For no one has been more abused
Or treated with disdain
Than God - and yet he carried on
Supplying you and me
With all the favors of His grace
And everything - for free.

Men say they want a better deal
And so on strike they go
But what a deal we've given God
For everything we owe.
We don't care who we hurt or harm
To gain the things we like
But what a mess we'd all be in
If God would go on strike.

(Author unknown)

Rhineland News

The Youth meeting on Nov. 26 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church was attended by 13 members.

Larry and Jan Herman opened the meeting with prayer and also conducted the business which followed.

The youth then rehearsed their play for the Annual Variety night. The meeting adjourned.

Michael Biddle is convalescing at his home after a tonsilectomy operation last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Herman and Carol Beth visited last Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hiebert in Paris.

Some members from this area helped with the Senior Citizens' Friendship Club annual Bazaar and Bake sale, held at the Optimist rooms in Delhi on Friday.

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THE FARM

PREPARING FOOD

Each member of the family helped with the farm. Some of the jobs were gathering the eggs, chopping the wood and feeding the animals.

All of the equipment was homemade. Oxen pulled the wooden plow while the farmer walked behind. The harrow broke up the bigger clumps of land. There were no fertilizers in the pioneer days. A seeder was filled with wheat or flax seed and the farmers son walked up and down the rows broadcasting (spreading) the seed. A cradle was used for cutting down the swaths of grain. The hay was gathered into a windrow and later tied into sheaves. An operation called blading separated the grain from the stems. The grain was then shovelled into baskets and hit with a flail to separate the husks. A draft going through the barn blew the chaff away. A homemade grind with two stones made the flour. A few years later a miller took over and made all the flour. If the farmer didn't have much money the miller would keep one bag of grain as a payment.

Flax plants were pulled from the ground by hand for harvesting. The seed balls were removed after curing. For that a small wooden comb was pulled through the flax. Water dissolved the flax when it was weighted down on the bottom of the creek. This is called retting. It softens the outside of the stem. It was then dried. Then a handful of flax was taken to the clinger or wheel which broke the outside of the stem. A wooden heckle was used to get rid of the broken stems. The flax was then spun into socks, cloth, rope or string. The harvest of one year had to supply the family with food until the next harvest.

Langton personals

Delores Desnaiter who is attending Fanshawe College in London spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Desnaiter and family.

The first \$50 Jackpot at the Belgian Fair Bingo on Tuesday night, November 18, was Mrs. Shirley Stager of Courtland. Miss Carrie McKiller, Langton, won the second \$50 Jackpot. The Winner-Take-All (\$95) was split between Mrs. Bonnie Spriet, R. R. 2 Courtland, and Mrs. Irene Spohn, R. R. 2 Courtland. Free passes for the next Tuesday night bingo were given to the Jackpot winners. Free

coffee was served during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sinnaeve of Essex and Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Mailoux of McGregor were Friday over-night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Sinnaeve and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spriet and son Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Valere Spriet, Mr. and Mrs. Adiel Spriet and son Jerry, Mrs. Gerard Desnaiter and daughter Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Van De Wiele and Mr. and Mrs. John De Cloet have returned from a vacation to Belgium. While there, they attended the 100 birthday celebration for their mother and grandmother.

by Mrs. Max Moore

Mrs. Emilie Lemey Spriet in Egem.

Ronald Young of Aylmer spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Irene Young.

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