

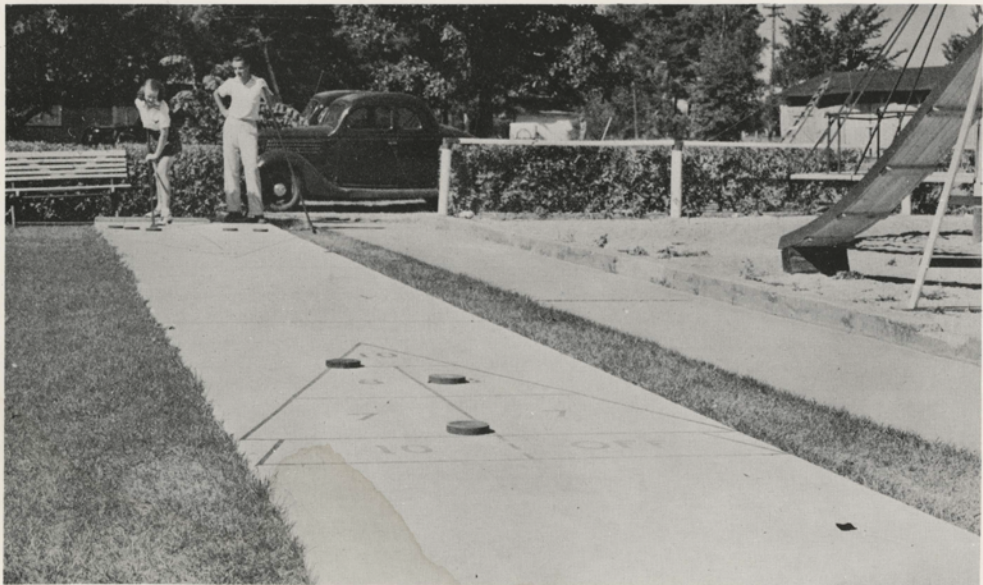
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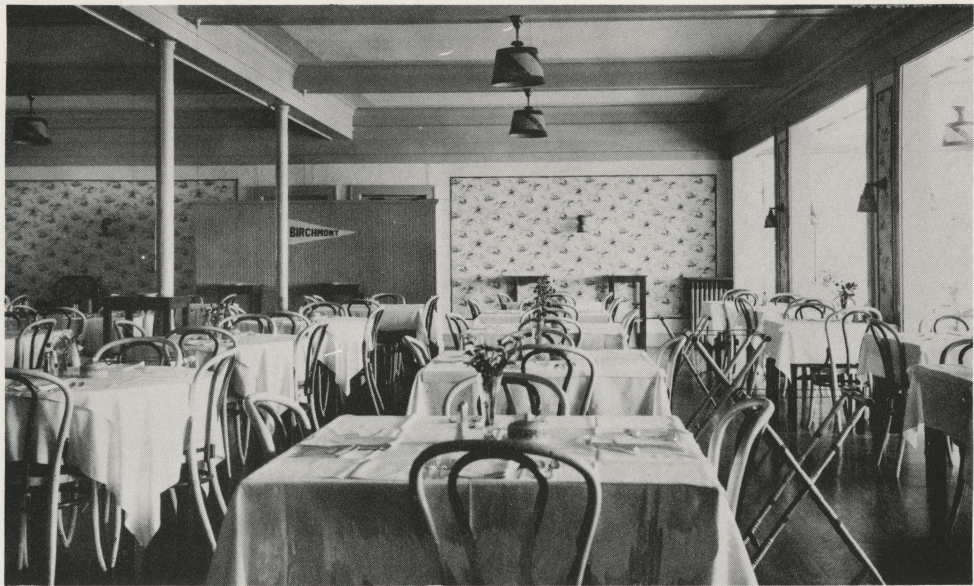
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It will be of interest to friends who have been writing to Mrs. Dorothy Ruttger at the Elizabeth Kenny Institute in Minneapolis, to learn that she has been transferred to another hospital. Her present address is Mount Sinai hospital, 2200 Chicago avenue, Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ruttger, Birchmont, had as their guests Monday afternoon and Wednesday, Rev. Clara Wagner and Miss Alice Englebritson of Humboldt. They accompanied the Ruttger family to Deerwood Tuesday for the funeral of Joseph Ruttger, father of E. A. Ruttger and grandfather of Don Ruttger. Rev. Wagner conducted the service. She and Miss Englebritson went yesterday to Cass Lake to spend a few days with friends before returning to their homes.

One of the most enjoyable Christmas parties of the Women's Club was given Thursday, Dec. 16, at the town hall, by that organization, under the supervision of Mrs. Swanson, ably assisted by Mmes. Walt Leonard, D. H. Ballard, E. A. Ruttger, Roy Leonard and Nellie Peddycourt. The hall was decorated in Christmas green throughout which the paper doll motif was intermingled, forming the theme of the affair. Preceding the dinner, the retiring vice-president, Mrs. Stensrud, who has presided the past year, was presented with a lovely gift from the club by the president, Mrs. Kessinger. The song "Paper Doll" was sung by Mmes Ruttger, Johnston, Mahlum and Stensrud with Mrs. Rodewald at the piano, all present joining in the chorus. Mrs. Kessinger read the Christmas story which was followed by a moment of silent prayer and the Lord's Prayer in unison. Covers were laid for twenty-eight ladies at the beautifully decorated table, places being marked by corsages of green in star shape. A Christmas tree formed the centerpiece, which in addition to the regular Christmas trimmings, held paper dolls, each one cleverly dressed in a handkerchief, many of them displaying real talent in the ladies who were responsible for their decoration. After a bountiful dinner, consisting of roast turkey and all the trimmings, served by the committee in charge, the handkerchief dressed dolls were distributed. The afternoon was completed by the singing of Christmas carols.

PARDON A LITTLE CHURCH PRIDE

SOME OF US HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN THE DELAPIDATED SOUTH ENTRANCE; THE TWO BIG STOVES, THE SHABBY LOOKING DINING ROOM, AND THO WE HAVE AN INDEBTEDNESS INCURRED FOR ALTERATIONS, REPAIRS, RENOVATIONS, AND NEW HEATING PLANT.

WE FELT PROUD, LAST MONDAY NIGHT THAT WE DID SOMETHING, FOUR YEARS AGO, WHEN WE NOTED SUCH A FINE CROSS SECTION OF BEMIDJI RESIDENTS IN OUR NICE APPEARING DINING ROOM ATTENDING THE RE-REGISTRATION BANQUET FESTIVITIES OF SCOUT TROOP #23. ABOUT 160 WERE PRESENT.

WHAT A WONDERFUL GATHERING IT WAS. THE CONDUCT OF THE BOYS WAS SUPERFINE.

THE SCOUT TROOP #23 IS A PROJECT OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF THIS CHURCH OF SOME 17 CONSECUTIVE YEARS--THE MEN OF THE CHURCH REALIZE SUCH A TROOP AND SUCH A MEETING AS LAST MONDAY NIGHT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT THE MOTHERS' CLUB AND THE LEADERSHIP OF MR. A. GROSS, DR. DICK EDWARDS & THEIR ASSISTANTS. TO WHOM AND FOR THE "APPRECIATION DINNER" THE BROTHERHOOD SAYS: "THANK YOU LADIES AND GENTLEMEN."

THE FINE APPRECIATION EXPRESSED BY SO MANY PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED CHURCH LAST SUNDAY MORNING, WAS DISTINCT TRIBUTE TO THE CHOIR FOR THE IMPRESSIVE RENDITION OF THE CANTATA: "THE CRUCIFIXION"--BY STAINER.

MRS. A. ARMODT, MRS. H. AND HENRY JR. BAUMGARTNER, MRS. S. STRONG, KATHERINE SCHWINGLE--MEMBERS OF THE CHOIR--REGRETTED CIRCUMSTANCES HINDERED PARTICIPATING.

THE METHODIST CHURCH, BEMIDJI, MINN.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1941

"THE ORDER OF SERVICE" IS FOUND ON OPENING THE HYMNAL. UNITE WITH US PLEASE: HYMNS : 223 238 (TUNE)

"SPECIAL" BY THE CHOIR: 239

SCRIPTURE READING : PAGE 581---FIRST.

GOSPEL READING: "CROWN OR CRUCIFY HIM"

-- ELMER McCORMACK.

SERMON: TRACT PICTURE INTERPRETATION.

GOSPEL READING: "AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS"--EVELYN ARCHIBALD.

GOSPEL SOLO: "UNDER THE CROSS"--MISS

VIVIAN VASSAU; CHORUS BY CONGREGATION.

MRS. H. NAYLOR--ACCOMPANIST.

BAPTISM: LARIE ANN SORENSON, SOLWAY, MINN.

* THE PLANT ON THE ALTAR *

AND MEMORIAL ORGAN GIFT ATTACHED ARE IN *

* MEMORY OF--MRS. FRANK ROAT. *

YEA, THO I WALK THRU THE VALLEY, I WILL *

NOT FEAR, FOR THOU ART WITH ME. *

* THOUGHTFULLY WE REMEMBER *

* E. RUTTGER AND A. ERICKSON , *

AS THEY STAND ON THE SHORE OF THE VALLEY *

AND REALIZE THEIR RESPECTIVE "DADS" HAVE *

JUST "GONE BY" AND IN THE FLESH WILL NOT *

RETURN.....WHO NEXT? *

WE NOTE A "CONFLICT" WITH GENERAL

MEETING W. S. C. S. AND THE DISTRICT

MANAGER IN WADENA---FIRST WEDNESDAY IN

MAY---BUT WE SHOULD HAVE SOME REPRESENT-

ATIVE AT WADENA. WHO WILL VOLUNTEER

AND SHARE EXPENSES. CALL 447--MRS. M.

HIGGINS--MAY 6--CHURCH SCHOOL STAFF MEETING.

"THE ANNOUNCER"-----ANNOUNCES:

7:30 P.M. MONDAY: SCOUT TROOP #23.

6:30 P.M. TUESDAY: OUT TRUN AS DINNER

HOSSTESS TO THE BEMIDJI CIVIC AND
COMMERCE ASSOCIATION. WITH TOM KELLY
"MISSIONARY OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS" AS
MAIN SPEAKER, AND MAYBE ED SHAVE--50¢
LADIES ATTEND, ALSO GENERAL PUBLIC.

DR. GRAYS WILL BE IN THEIF RIVER FALLS
TUESDAY AS SPEAKER OF THE EVENING AT
AN INTER-CITY ROTARY DINNER MEETING.

NO MEETING WEDNESDAY.

3 P.M. THURSDAY: TICKET COMMITTEE WITH
MRS. ROY BLES.

7:30 P.M. THURSDAY: CHOIR REHEARSAL

7:45 P.M. THURSDAY: EVENING SERVICE WITH
DEFINITE TEXT BOOK STUDY.

8:45 P.M. THURSDAY: UPSTAIRS. OFFICIAL B'D.

APRIL 23 AT THE PARSONAGE, CYRIL HODGON
AND ALTA GORTZE WERE UNITED IN HOLY
MATRIMONY.

APRIL 24 MRS. IDA AND MISS ADELL KETTEN
WERE WELCOMED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE CONVAL-
ESSING OF MRS. A. AAMODT, MRS. E. ROBERTS,
MRS. D. REICHART, AND KATHERINE SCHWINGLE
IS MOST ENCOURAGING. AND THE CONDITION
OF OUR APPENDIXLESS YOUNGSTERS--PERRY AND
HENRY JR. IS GRATIFYING.

LAST WEDNESDAY--ROLAND GARY--HAD A
CLOSE CALL BUT HE CAME THRU A CAR-HIT-
MOTORCYCLE PRETTY GOOD AND WAS ABLE TO
ATTEND SCHOOL ON CRUTCHES FRIDAY.

MAY 6. RAINBOW TEA WITH SILVER
LININGS IN THE DINING ROOM BY CIRCLE #3.

FLOWERS-----WHILE HERE:

TODAY, AFTER ANOTHER WINTER AMONGST US
MR. FRANK ROAT BIDS US "ADIEU" UNTIL NEXT
FALL. HE IS GOING TO HIS COTTAGE AT LAKE
PLANTANGENET.

WE WILL MISS HIM.

HE HAS BEEN A CONSISTENT AND INTERESTED
ATTENDER AT SUNDAY MORNING AND THURSDAY
EVENING SERVICES AND BROTHERHOOD MTGS'.

PRAYER, FAITH, GOODWILL, KINDNESS.

HE ALWAYS CARRIES ALONG WITH HIM. ALSO
HE IS GENEROUS. ASIDE FROM TODAY'S MEMORM
TOKEN, YESTERDAY HE GAVE \$15.00 TO APPLY
ON THE CHURCH DEBT AND, AS ONE OF HIS
LAST BEQUESTS HE PLANS A FURTHER GIFT TO
THE MEMORIAL ORGAN. THO MR. AND MRS.
ROAT WILL LIVE ON, WITH US, THRU THE WOR-
SHIPFULL STRAINS OF ORGAN MUSIC.

MAY SOME OF US PAY HIM A VISIT THIS SUM-
MER, HE CORDIALLY INVITES US, AND MAY
FRANK'S LIFE'S EVENING GLOW WITH SWEET
MEMORIES AND THE CONSOLATIONS OF FRIENDS.

LAST WEDNESDAY, CIRCLE #2 HELD ITS SEMI-
FINAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH YEAR. MRS.
L. NICHOLS, MRS. H. WALLIN AND MRS. W. RICE
WERE THE HOSTESSES. MEMBERS OF THE CIRCLE
WERE MUCH ENCOURAGED WITH THE FINE SPIRIT
AND RESULTS.

MRS. J. C. MCGHEE, MRS. A. D. WILSON,
MRS. C. GRAYS REPRESENTED OUR CHURCH, AS
DONNERS TO THE ANNUAL SILVER TEA OF THE
LUTHERN HOSPITAL AUXILIARY. PROCEEDS
WERE FOR ROOM FURNISHINGS.

EACH CHRISTMAS WE REMEMBER THE HOSPITAL
WITH "WHITE GIFTS".

MAY 22---CHURCH ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETINGS

encountered, the an old resident.



Mr. and Mrs. Orwin Draheim, above
were married in Bemidji September
2. The bride is the former Beth
Archibald, one-time editor of the

—Courtesy Duluth Herald
Northern Student, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Lee Archibald. The couple
will reside in Bemidji.

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P. L. HINES RITES HELD HERE FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Victim of Bursted Steam Pipe at College Project Laid to Rest in Greenwood

Sorrowing relatives, friends and associates filled the Methodist Episcopal church auditorium to capacity Friday afternoon when last rites were held for Phillip L. Hines, 63, who succumbed at the Bemidji Lutheran hospital last Tuesday evening a little over ten hours after being severely scalded when a steam pipe burst in the boiler room of the new addition under construction at the Bemidji State Teachers College.

Dr. Crawford Grays, pastor, officiated and interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

More than 30 members of the Odd Fellows lodge, of which Mr. Hines was financial secretary for many years, attended in a body, while Boy Scout Troop No. 45, of which Mr. Hines was scoutmaster, attended under the supervision of Assistant Scoutmaster Don Glenn and filled several pews. The Salvation Army Boy Scout troop with Captain Edgar Stohler in charge and Troop No. 23 sponsored by the M. E. Church with Warren Kirk in charge occupied places in the gallery.

Floral emblems, large sprays in which beautiful Easter lilies were especially prominent, and lovely bouquets sent as expressions of love and sympathy filled the chancel.

Dr. Grays spoke touchingly of Mr. Hines' Christian life of service and friendliness, mentioning especially his excellent work among the boys of the community through his Scout leadership. He also spoke words of comfort to the family and friends. Tribute was paid Mr. Hines' Christian character and his civic, church and fraternal activities. He had been a member of the Methodist church here all during his residence in Bemidji and was especially active in the work of the choir, the official board, the Sunday school and other departments.

Special music at the services was furnished by W. H. Johnson and Harold Naylor, with Mrs. Naylor playing the accompaniments. Mr. Johnson sang as a solo "Abide With Me", while he and Mr. Naylor sang as a duet selection "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer".

Pallbearers were friends from the church and the Odd Fellows lodge, including A. T. Carlson, Axel Swedberg, W. L. Woods, H. R. Conner, C. E. Riley and R. M. Danielson.

Born October 18, 1875, in Simco county, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Hines was 63 years old last October. Coming to the United States when eight years old, he resided for many years in North Dakota, moving to Hines in 1914 and to Bemidji in 1916. He was a past master of Ionic Lodge No. 64 of the Masons at Hannah, North Dakota, and was actively associated with the Masonic lodge here for many years.

Surviving are his widow, the former Adelia Elliott to whom he was united in marriage in 1902 at Morden, Manitoba; two daughters, Leona Hines of Los Angeles and Mrs. Andrew George of Minneapolis; a son Grover Hines of Hibbing; a brother, William Hines, and several nephews and nieces at Hines, and a sister, Mrs. F. E. Adams of Everett, Washington. Out of town members of the family here for the funeral included Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hines and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew George.

At the time of the fatal accident Mr. Hines, engineer at the Bemidji State Teachers College for many years, was

on duty checking a steam gauge in the boiler room of the new building when the steam was turned on for the day from the main power plant.

John M. Bjerkness, watchman on the WPA construction project who was in the boiler room with Mr. Hines when the steam pipe burst, was severely scalded also but his condition is reported steadily improving at the Bemidji Lutheran hospital where he has been receiving care since the accident occurred.

ORATORIO HERE SUNDAY NIGHT

Mendelssohn's "Elijah" To Be Presented at Bemidji High School Auditorium

As the result of hearty cooperation on the part of the entire community, the Bemidji Civic Oratorio Society will present next Sunday evening at the Bemidji high school auditorium Mendelssohn's "Elijah" as an oratorio to which the general public is invited.

Special thanks go to the school board, Supt. J. W. Smith, Principal W. E. Dowdell and Bandmaster Earl Amundsen of the high school for the facilities extended the oratorio society for this production.

The Bemidji State Teachers College A Cappella Choir, directed by Carl Thompson, and the College Glee Club, directed by Nels Hervi, have cooperated closely. These groups, together with choirs of the various churches, form the nucleus of the chorus of about 75 voices.

Many persons from surrounding communities have also joined wholeheartedly in the project, which promises to be highly successful again this year.

There will be no charge for admission but a free-will offering will be taken to defray the expense of music and other items and a generous response is urged, since the oratorio society has no other revenue.

Mendelssohn's "Elijah" is described as the most dramatic of all oratorios and contains many of the most popular oratorio numbers. Composed in 1846 for the Birmingham festival, it was largely recast the following year and has been a favorite ever since. Mendelssohn originally wrote the soprano part for Jenny Lind but she never sang the role until after his death.

A synopsis of "Elijah", for the information of prospective patrons of the performance next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, follows:

Because most of the people of Israel have forsaken the Lord God and returned to their god, Baal, the prophet Elijah brings down a drought and famine upon the land. The overture suggests the lapse of time and grip of the famine. An angel of the Lord sends Elijah out of the stricken land to the home of a widow whose son is dying. Elijah restores the child to life, and stays three years, as the widow has been provided with food for his sustenance during the famine.

At the end of the three years, he appears before King Ahab and Queen Jezebel and challenges them to call forth the people of Israel and let it be publicly proved whose God is the Lord. Elijah tells them to slay a bullock and call on Baal to consume it by fire. They do so to no avail, and Elijah taunts them to call louder. Finally he calls upon the Lord God and the offering is consumed by fire from the heavens. The people are convinced that this is the one God, so they follow Elijah's orders to slay all the prophets of Baal. Elijah calls then upon the Lord for rain and a

mighty storm breaks forth in the stricken land.

Ahab and Jezebel resent Elijah's works and are angered when he reproaches them for punishing the righteous and worshipping Baal, so Jezebel incites the people to anger and urges them to kill Elijah, who is much grieved to learn that the people have not repented of their sins. He sings the beautiful solo "It is Enough, O Lord: now take away my life...."

An angel appears and sends him out of the way of his enemies and tells him to wait patiently for the coming of the Lord. Elijah goes out on the mount where the Lord's glory descends upon him. The Lord passes by and a tempest arises, followed by earthquakes and fire which destroy all the infidels, leaving the faithful unharmed. A fiery chariot descends and carries Elijah by a whirlwind to heaven. After this revelation of God, the final chorus foretells the coming of Christ.

Some of the best known arias from the oratorio are the contralto solo "Oh Rest in the Lord", Elijah's baritone aria, "It is Enough" and the tenor aria, "If With All Your Hearts".

Carl Winblad will sing the double role of Ahab the King and Obediah the prophet. Florence Strom will be heard in the roles of the Angel and Jezebel, the Queen. Donna DeLay will sing the roles of the Widow who befriended Elijah, and the Youth, a role created for a boy soprano but traditionally sung by a woman.

Erling Lodoen of Alvarado, baritone, will sing the title role of Elijah.

PIANO PUPILS TO HEAR

PADEREWSKI ON SUNDAY

Miss Ida Virginia Brown is planning to accompany several of her music pupils to Minneapolis Sunday morning to attend the Paderewski concert to be given in the auditorium Sunday afternoon, and the group plans to return that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridell of Shevlin with their daughter, Jean, Dolores Batchelder, Jeanne Winter and Ruth Woods will go in one car; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Edwards, Miss Brown, Norma Jean High, Shirley Ruttger, Joann Lynne and Miriam Beck in another. The group is getting quite a thrill in anticipation of the trip and a chance to hear the world's greatest pianist.

METHODISTS HOLD ANNUAL BIRTHDAY DINNER PARTY

Over 250 Members and Friends Have Gala Time at Church's Major Social Event

Over 250 members and friends in "Happy Birthday" mood assembled for the seventeenth annual Methodist birthday party, the social event of the church year, in the auditorium between the hours of 6 and 7 P. M. Wednesday.

With Mrs. Strong at the piano, January led the calendar month groups to the dining room, and while standing at their places Dr. Crawford Grays offered thanks.

The tables were lovely, uniformly decorated with birthday cakes on high standards, lighted candles in different colors, fancy edged two-color runners, nut baskets and napkins to match, and bouquets of flowers. Each month was presided over by two hosts and hostesses chosen from their group.

January was all in white, with glistening snow, a snowman center, white candles and nut cups.

February was in red and white for Valentine's Day, Paul Bunyan and Blue Ox figures suggesting a double motif.

March with Shamrocks on white and green, pastel colored baskets and center represented both St. Patrick's Day and Easter.

April color scheme was in yellow and lavender, with pussy-willow and jonquil bouquets.

May was carried out in pink and green, pastel colored baskets and spring bouquets of mixed flowers.

June, the traditional bride's month, was in pink and white, and the bridal cake was decorated with a miniature bride and groom.

July, in patriotic colors, had red, white and blue balloons arranged in a large vase for a center.

A color scheme of blue and heliotrope and a bouquet center to match made an attractive August table.

September suggested early fall with its autumn leaves center, and other decorations in yellow, orange and brown.

October decorations carried out a Halloween motif, with black cat and pumpkin figures on black and orange runners and a Chinese lantern center.

November was decorated with brown and rust, with turkey figures and matching flowers.

December was in blue and silver carried out in detail and an additional attraction of two beautiful silver and blue potted spiked plants.

Other large bouquets were arranged with floor lamps for the stage setting.

After the serving of a delicious baked ham dinner, Dr. C. V. Hobson in his very able manner served as master of ceremonies and announced the stunt program. His introductory remarks about each stunt chairman were timely and witty and created much mirth.

With Mrs. A. W. Aamodt directing and Mrs. H. M. Naylor at the piano, several old and new, peppy and popular favorites were sung by all including "Happy Birthday to You" for H. R. Conner, who was celebrating his anniversary.

The stunt program following was very successfully carried out as a "Fun Fest" January and February opened the program by singing "Jingle Bells" and throwing soft paper snowballs and confetti.

The February and March groups showed their months' possibilities with a Paul Bunyan, George Washington and Abe Lincoln stunt, the members costuming. P. L. Brown as Washington heard the impossible stories of each, and to show his disapproval of the untruths severed the "tail" each one carried, with his hatchet.

April-May groups presented the "Crowning of the May Queen", the queen and her attendants being preceded by two "flower girls," Mrs. Naylor playing the processional. These were all in extremely funny and appropriate costumes and their maneuvers created much laughter.

"Wanted A Wife" was put on for the June and July stunt, The jitterbug, flapper and widow applying to Mr. Nichols, the widower and the first two being emphatically rejected. The accepted widow who fed him, mended for and petted him, sprung a climax surprise when he lifted her heavy veil to view her face. This caused his collapse and a "Do Not Disturb" sign instead of "Wanted A Wife".

July also furnished much noise with firecrackers.

Another outstanding hit of the evening was presented by the October and November groups, Riley's "When the frost is on the pumpkin and the corn is in the shock" being given by a large

group as three-part choral reading under the able direction of Miss Telulah Robinson.

"While she wouldn't tell who wrote it" Mrs. Roland Henrionnet for December read an original poem, very cleverly prepared, which mentioned traits of the group members never before recognized.

"Auld Land Syne" closed another of these most enjoyable annual birthday parties, which represented many hours and days of preparation by a large number.

Mrs. H. R. Conner entertained a special table of 12 guests for her husband's birthday anniversary and two additional tables were also filled.

Mrs. W. L. Woods, president of the Ladies' Aid, was general chairman, and was assisted by Mrs. Donald Hodgdon, Mrs. Audrey Carlton and Mrs. B. K. Swink, as dining room co-chairmen, and several young lady waitresses.

Mrs. H. A. Ferrell and Mrs. Frank Markus were in charge of the kitchen committee; Mrs. A. W. Aamodt and Mrs. H. M. Naylor, the program; Mrs. Henry Baumgartner in charge of the decorations, with Mrs. M. F. Creager and Mrs. A. T. Carlson assisting; Mesdames Hines, Blesi and Strande, reservations; and a large number of the other members of the Aid assisting in various ways.



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