

MAYNARD UNITED W.M.S. MARKS 50th ANNIVERSARY

(from Prescott Journal)

Maynard United Church Women's Missionary Society celebrated its 50th anniversary of Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 9th, in Maynard United Church, with the church being well filled. Invitations had been sent to former members for this happy occasion, and guest from Brockville, Ottawa, Prescott, Algonquin and Domville were present.

Mrs. Mansell Hough, president, presided and introduced two former members, Mrs. Russell Dempsey, now living in Brockville, and whose son, Rev. Allison Dempsey was minister at Maynard, and Mrs. Evan Graham (Fresque), Ottawa, whose deceased husband, Rev. Hubert Fresque, was minister at Maynard for seven years. Mrs. Graham was president of the W.M.S. while at Maynard. Mrs. Dempsey and Mrs. Graham had charge of the devotional part of the meeting, and opened the service with the hymn, "Unto the Hills". Mrs. Dempsey read the Scripture Lesson and led in prayer, and Mrs. Graham gave a splendid talk on "Faith", at the conclusion of which the hymn "My Faith Looks up to Thee" was sung.

HISTORICAL

Mrs. Hough gave data when Maynard W.M.S. was organized in March, 1902 when Rev. Conley was minister. Mrs. Conley was the first president, and the first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Luther Place, now of Prescott.

Greetings and good wishes were given by Mrs. Arthur Johnston of Prescott W.M.S.; Mrs. Blake Edwards from Algonquin W.M.S.; Miss Bertha Cooper of Domville W.M.S.; Mrs. Russell Dempsey, Brockville, and Mrs. Minnie Throop, Maynard.

Mrs. George Robinson read letters from former members who were unable to be present - Mrs. A. E. Carson, Prescott; Mrs. Robt. Bruce, Toledo, and Mrs. Hugh Kelso, Domville. Mrs. Bailey then favoured the gathering with a solo, "My Cathedral", and Mrs. John Adams gave a recitation.

Mrs. O. L. Carson introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Worthing of Cardinal, who was listened to with pleasure and profit. One highlight of her address was that "We all leave something behind us as we journey on life's pathway from day to day, and may it be worthwhile. Religion is likened to measles, if we have it, we are sure to show it." Mrs. Worthing compared different personalities to different kinds of candy, the brittle kind, the soft kind, the licorice kind, and asked "Which would we prefer to be?" Mrs. W. Spero and Mrs. Bailey sang a lovely duet.

Mrs. Kenneth McAllister gave a gracious vote of thanks on behalf of Maynard W.M.S. to Mrs. Worthing for her fine address, to Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Dempsey for the devotional period, and to Mrs. Spero and Mrs. Bailey for music. Mrs. Percy Fretwell was organist for the benediction.

Dainty refreshments at small tables were served at the close of the meeting in the church parlors which were decorated for the occasion. A lovely birthday cake bearing the inscription "Maynard W.M.S. 50 years", was on display, and was cut by Mrs. Carman Hough.

Mrs. Walter Lane and Mrs. Maysel Parry-Evans poured tea, and a social hour enjoyed over the tea cups.

1951

CANTATA PESENTED AT Maynard by choir of Prescott church

April, combined audience of Maynard, Bethel and Domville heard St. Paul's Church render their Easter cantata, "Hail the Victor" Rev. J. H. Payton, eector of that church was chairman. There was a group idnetified only as a "Prescott orchestra", trio of Mesdames Gray, Bailey and Spero; solos by Mrs. J. H. Payton, with Richard Gray, accompanist.

The Fashion Show had men modelling ladies' gowns. Rev. Payton wore a lovely bridal gown, hsi bridesmaid was Mr. Harley Fortier gowned in blue bridesmaid's attire.

Introduced as a surprise feature was Mr. John Robinson, Mayanrd, showing what the tall, slim girl should wear for lounging. Other models included: R. M. Wallace, Clair Sine, Bill Richards, Bill Wenborn, R. Gray, B. Dishaw, J. Rooke, Harry Ranson, Kenneth Barton, REg. Saunders, H. Pratt, Eldon Francis, Dick Richards, Roy Phillips and Earl Barton.

It was all much fun, and the sum of \$80 was raised for manse repairs. Mrs. W. L. Durant, W. A. President, thanked the Prescott actors and the response was by Mrs. Bert Barton.

1951

By a unanimous standing vote, the Augusta Charge invited Mr. Kenneth McAllister, a lay minister serving at Flinton, Ontario, to be the new minister on this Charge. Arthur Dulmage chaired that meeting of the combined congregations, held in Victoria Church.

1952

The 92nd anniversary of Victoria United Church was held on Sunday, October 28th, with morning and evening services. Guest soloist was Arthur Carkner, with Mrs. Carkner, accompanist. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips sang a duet at the evening service. Rev. McAllister's sermon in the morning service was "Why Jesus went to Church", stressing the value of church attendance. In the evening service he chose the theme "New Steps of Faith". Organist was Mrs. Delbert Armstrong, in the absence of regular organist, Mrs. Percy Fretwell. The church was attractively decorated for the services by members of teh Women's Association.

1952

Rev. Kenneth McAllister conducted election of officers for the Sunday School on Sunday morning, December 30th. Re-elected Superintendent was Mrs. Goldie A Connell, and teachers and officers elected included : SEc.-treasurer, Billy Patterson; Organist; Mrs. Pearl Byers; Teachers - Mrs. Stanley Patterson, Mrs. Edward Byers, Mrs. E. Montgomery, Mrs. B. Connell , Mrs. O.Carson.

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Miss Reta Newans had left the community to live in Brockville, and could no longer act as organist.

1952

Watch night service was held on the Charge with a good attendance.

1952

Officers for W. A. and W. M. S. elected as follows:

W.M.S. Pres. - Mrs. Mansell Hough
1st vice - Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery
2nd vice - Mrs. Wm Brown
Sec. - Mrs. Percy Fretwell
Treas. - Mrs. George Robinson
Corr'g Sec. - Mrs. George Robinson
Mission Band Leader - Mrs. Edward Byers
Baby Band Leader - Mrs. Stanley Patterson
Christian Stewardship - Mrs. Kenneth McNaught
Membership - Mrs. Mary Mrcier
Missionary Monthly - Mrs. Elizabeth Montgomery
Supply Secretary - Mrs. Lawrence Fretwell
Press Reporter - Mrs. Percy Fretwell

W. A. President - Mrs. William Durant
1st vice - Mrs. Ezra Newans
2nd vice - Mrs. Erwin Fretwell
Sec.-treas. - Mrs. Wilfred Weir
Pianist - Mrs. Percy Fretwell

Mrs. Durant expressed the thanks of the congregation to Mrs. Percy Fretwell for her services as organist during the past year, and presented her with a sum of money. She also thanked Mrs. Bruce Conn and Mrs. Delbert Armstrong who filled in during absences of Mrs. Fretwell, and each was given a cup and saucer.

1952

BAZAAR held at Victoria Methodist Church, October 27th, was successful with various booths and a fish pond. An evening event, there was also a short program, with Rev. McAllister, chairman. A sing song was followed by vocal duets by Eloise Moulton and Donna Henry, domvi monologue by Mrs. Robt. Kelso, solo Donald Myers and recitation by Marilyn Moffatt. Refreshments were served by teh ladies.

1952

Sunday School picnic in St. Lawrence Park was a happy event. July 1 At the noon hour, a picnic lunch was enjoyed, then followed sports and games for the children, convened by Supt. Mrs. Connell and Mrs. E. Byers, assisted by REv. McAllister. Swimming was enjoyed by many and the play facilites of the park used.

1953

Oscar Carson retired as church treasurer on January 9th at the annual meeting of the congregation, after many years devoted service in that capacity.

Sunday School report given by Mrs. Goldie Connell showed 60 members on that roll, and classes held at 10:00 a.m. on 47 Sundays.

W.A. report given by Mrs. Durant, 27 members raised \$634.81 during the year. for necessary work at the church.

W.M.S. reported 28 memebtrs and full allocation raised. The highlight of the year was the marking of the Fiftieth Anniversary. of that organization in September.

Mission Band had 15 memebtrs, met thier allocation and donated \$10 to W.M.S. Leader was Mrs. E. Byers, with Beverley McNaught, president, Judy McNaught and Bill Patterson attneding to finances.

Baby Band president, Mrs. Stanley Patterson, reported 11 members of that group.

Y. P. U. reported by Keith Young, Leslie Dulmage, secretary, and Lionel McAllister, treasuer.

W.A. officers included President: Mrs. Albert Patterson, 1st vice - Mrs. Erwin Fretwell, 2nd vice - Mrs. Delbert Armstrong, SEc.=treas. Mrs. Weir.

1954

Jan. 12, 1955 - annual meeting for reports of various departments of the church. Church treasurer, Norman Baird, reported \$2150.46 exlusive of the various other organizations.

Rev. McAllsiter reported 1 marriage, 3 baptisms, 5 burials, profession of faith, 2, and transfers 5. Arthur Dulmage thanksd Rev. McAllister for his good services in 1954 and asked him to remain on the Charge. This was seconded by Dr. Sterling Spicer, and accepted with pleasure.

1955

CUP AND SAUCER TEA - August 31st, in the church hall. Sponsored by W.M.S. Quiet music by Mrs. Percy Fretwell set the atmos phere for the serving of afternoon tea at small tables. MRs. PEARl MCLEAn, president, extended greetings to all. Mrs. EARl Throop and Mrs. STelring Spicer poured tea at an attractively arranged tea table, with W.M.S. members serving tea to more than 100 guests.

Each guest was invited to take home with her the cup and saucer which she had used. These bone china ucps and saucaers had been purchased at a special price from the T. Eaton Company.

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1956

Sunday School annual meeting held January 15th, Rev. Mc Allister conducting the election of officers.

Report of the year's activities given by Supt. Mrs. Goldie Connell. Y. P. U. disbanded, giving their surplus funds to the Sunday School. This had made possible the purchase of new curtains for the room at the time of the redecoration done by teh W.A.

The picnic at St. Lawrence Park had been successful and fun again, with a special treat of a boat tour through the 1000 Islands for all. The Christmas party had been largely attended, with treats for all.

Prize winners for attendance were : Linda Connell, Ronald Jason
Memorizing : Linda Connell, Jacoba Louwerse, Gail Baynham, Frank Jones, Bob and Elizabeth Atkinson.

Officers elected were: Supt. Mrs. B. R. Connell
Sec.-treas. - Mrs. James Atkinson
Organist - Mrs. Edward Byers
Teachers - Mrs. O. L. cArson, Mrs. Ke. McAllistet
Marilyn Moffatt, Mrs. Connell and Mrs. Mercier.

Norman Baird, treasurer for two years, had removed to Prescott, and asked to be relieved of his duties. Mr's. Earl Throop was named to take his palce.

Arthur Dulmage, Chairman of the Board of Stewards, expressed the regret of all to Rev. McAllister who will be leaving the Charge in June, 1956.

-gleaned from one of Goldie's Scrapbooks -



JUNIOR MISSION BAND, VICTORIA UNITED CHURCH 1957

Back row: Pauline Baker, Donald Conklin, Elizabeth Atkinson, Jane Lane,

Middle: Anne Stearns, Valerie Young, Stephen Baker, Nina Throop

Front: Bonnie Stearns, *unknown 2*, Shelley Jason.

Leader was Mrs. Pearl Byers.



MISSION BAND 1958 Leader - Mrs. Pearl Byers

Back: Barbara Robinson, Linda Connell, Heather Byers, Linda Throop,
Rosemary Knapp,

Mid: Corinne Fretwell, Bob Atkinson, Ron Jason, Mike Vallance, Gerald
Hough

Front; Elizabeth Lane, Pauline Baker, Nancy Wyatt, Edna Newans
Barbara Fretwell

Mission Band

Sept. 1955



Back row: Bill Byers, Junior Allen, Cornelis Louwerse, Frank Jones,
 Ronald Jones, Tommy Connell
 Front row: Shirley Jones, Eunice Jones, Beverley McNaught,
 Gail Baynham, Coba Louwerse

Baby Band



Back row: Joyce Walker, Linda Connell, ~~Barbara Robinson~~ Lorna Besley
 Heather Byers, Barbara Robinson
 Mid row: Bob Atkinson, Jimmy Porteous, Ronald Jason, George Robinson,
 Front row: Elizabeth Atkinson, Elizabeth Lane, Jane Lane

MISSION
BAND
Oct. 1956

Mrs. E. Byers
Leader



Kenneth Breckenridge, Lang Baker, Bill Byers, Tom Connell, Gerald Hough
Bobbie Breckenridge
Mary Breckenridge, Heather Byers, Linda Throop, Linda Connell
Barbara Robinson, Lonna Besley

JUNIOR
MISSION
BAND

Judith
McNaught
Leader



Gordon Breckenridge, Ann Renkema, Elizabeth Lane
Pauline Baker, Bob Atkinson
George Robinson, Nina Throop, Elizabeth Atkinson, Steve Baker
Phyllis Renkema



Junior Mission Band
Sept. 1955
Judith McNaught
leader

Back - Joyce Walker, Linda Connell, Lorna Besley, Heather Byers
Bob Atkinson, Jim Porteous, Ronald Jason, Geo. & Barbara Robinson
Elizabeth Atkinson, Elizabeth & Jane Lane



Mission Band
Mrs. E. Byers
leader

Bill Byers, Junior Allen, Cornelius Louwerse, Frank Jones
Ronald Jones, Tom Connell
Shirley Jones, Eunice Jones, Beverley McNaught
Gail Baynham, Jacoba Louwerse

MISSION BAND



Front row: Valerie Young, Luella Church Knapp, Barbara Polite, Betty Hough,
Ruth Fretwell, Shirley Ball, Barbara Ball
Back row: , Keith Young, Gerald Polite, Bernard Knapp,
Dick Byers. D. Shannon



Lorne brought
a pair of
bantams.

This group of Mission Banders held a social tea and sale for their mothers at the home of Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Goldie Connell. In the back are Gerald Polite, Keith Dulmage, Keith Young, Rita Newans, Valerie Young, Ron Shannon, Betty Hough, Ruth Fretwell, Barbara Polite, Leslie Dulmage, John Armstrong

Front: Dwight Shannon, Lorne Durant, Clifford Fretwell, Gerald Hough
Marilyn Moffatt, Luella Knapp.