Newton Mearns Church Supplement

FEBRUARY, 1946

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Church Services

Forenoon—11.30 a.m.

EVENING-6.30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL-10.15 a.m.

BIBLE CLASS-5.30 p.m.

A Class for Beginners and for Children living at a distance from the Church is held during the Forenoon Service.

REGISTER

Deaths

"Christ, the first fruits of them that are asleep"

Robert Adam Allan, Kilmeny, Craigie Drive.

Mrs. Blackwood, c/o Rashielea, Kilmarnock Road.

Allan Macdougall, Craigie, Arthurlie Drive.

J. W. Stuart, Mendun, Kilmarnock Road.

New Members

By Profession of Faith

Mrs. Massey, c/o Mrs. Wright, Moorhill House.

By Certificate

- Miss J. A. and Miss Chris B. Condie, St. Ann, Edzell Drive.
- Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hill, Crawfordlea, Glebe Lane.
- Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Macduff, Kayuga, Beech Avenue. Mrs. Hector MacNeil, 78 Larchfield Avenue.
- Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Roser, Shuna, Eaglesham Road.
- Mrs. Shannon, Crawfordlea, Glebe Lane.
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wright, Muiredge, Edzell Drive.

FINANCE

Collections, etc., during the months of December and January

Systematic G	iving				£264	14	3
Church Door	Plate				51	2	_6
Hospitals					10	10	7
Benevolent F	und	****			3	17	0
Service Parce	ls				30	16	2
Maintenance of Ministry			(Envelopes)		4	18	0
Seat Rents					30	5	0
Interest					7	10	0
Sundries		****			3	5	6

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Attendance of Office-bearers at Church Door

- Feb. 3—Mrs. Buchanan, Messrs. Craig and Forsyth.
 - " 10—Miss Connell, Messrs. Peden and A. Russell.
 - " 17—Miss Dorward, Messrs. Edmond and Murray.
 - ,, 24—Mrs. W. Rodger, Messrs. Baird and Johnston.
- Mar. 3—Mrs. Jack, Messrs. Baxter and MacPhail.
- ,, 10—Messrs. J. A. Anderson, MacBean and Meiklejohn.
- ,, 17-Miss Blue, Messrs. Carswell and Howie.
- ,, 24—Miss Hunter, Messrs. Craig and Hamilton.
- ,, 31—Messrs. J. S. Anderson, Jarvie and J. Russell.

THE WOMAN'S GUILD

At the Woman's Guild, on 21st January, a lecture on Robert Burns was given by Mr. John Nimmo. In a most interesting manner, which showed a complete understanding of his subject, the lecturer considered Burns against the background of his own age. He described the customs of the time, and dealt particularly with the Church, which, with its drinking and hypocrisy, roused the anger and biting sarcasm of the poet. He dealt also with Burns' love of home and country, and with his genius as the author of some of Scotland's loveliest songs.

Some of these songs were sung most delightfully by Miss Ethel Hay and Messrs. Lamb and Fergus. The accompanist was Mr. J. Simpson, the organist of Giffnock South Church.

On 28th January, the Guild was treated to a most interesting and instructive lecture on Planning, by Mr. J. H. Murray, the County Engineer. The speaker dealt with his subject under the headings of Estate Planning, Local Planning, Regional Planning and National Planning, and showed, by means of diagrams, how the whole planning scheme of the country was closely linked up.

Mr. Murray further dealt with housing, and showed and explained plans of the various houses to be erected under the Government's Housing Scheme.

At the close of the lecture, there was an interesting discussion taken part in by a number of those present.

Bring and Buy Sale.—The Woman's Guild intend to hold a Bring and Buy Sale on Saturday, 9th March, at 3 p.m., in the Church Hall, and appeal to all members of the congregation to show their interest in the work of the Guild by supporting the Sale.

THE GIRLS' ASSOCIATION

The Girls' Association held their Dedication Service on 1st October. Mr. Mackay and the members of the Woman's Guild were present, the

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speaker being Miss Jean Troupe, President of the G.A. in the Glasgow Presbytery area.

We visited East Campbell Street Lodging House on Wednesday, 28th November, and repeated our last year's concert there.

It was decided to have our Hallowe'en Party on 29th October, and sailors from Mearnskirk Hospital were invited. A good time was had by all.

Most of our evenings are spent rehearsing for our Concert, which we hope to be able to produce early in March. Again, this year, we have the kind services of Mr. MacLaren, who produced our plays in last year's concert; and also Mr. Stewart, who very kindly offered to help us this year. The show is a varied one, consisting of two One-Act Plays, Song Scenes and Sketches. We are indebted to Mrs. Robertson for her faithful attendance at rehearsals, where she provides the piano music.

We trust the congregation will give us their usual loyal support, and we would be very grateful for any donations towards the Royalties on the two Plays.

THE SOCIAL AND BADMINTON CLUB

The Club meets every Wednesday evening for badminton and has several very enthusiastic players.

On the first Tuesday of each month, a Whist Drive is held in the Church Hall, to which members of the congregation are invited. Patients from Hairmyres Hospital are also present on these occasions.

A Social Evening is held on the third Tuesday of each month, to which the patients from Mearnskirk Hospital are invited. The Christmas Party was held on 18th December, and was a very enjoyable one. Members of the Committee decorated the hall with flags and holly, giving it a festive appearance, and a real Christmas spirit prevailed.

Members of the Forces, and also anyone who has been demobbed, are welcome at any of the Club meetings.

CHOIR NOTES

An excellent response was made to the recent appeal from the pulpit for singers to join the Choir, but it is felt that there must still be members in the congregation who could assist at the rehearsals on Thursday evenings.

Sopranos and tenors are still urgently called for, and those members who can find time on Thursday evenings to help in this most important part of the Church's work, will be given a very warm welcome.

MR. STEWART TELFER

On Sunday, 13th January, Mr. Mackay made the following appreciation of the services rendered to the congregation during the absence of the organist on service, by Mr. Telfer.

"It is five and a half years since Mr. Graham Lindsay joined His Majesty's Forces. He left us in June, 1940, and was demobilised on 29th December, 1945. We are proud of the service he has rendered to his King and Country.

During these years, Mr. Telfer has officiated for the congregation at the organ. He has been associated with the Choir during the major part of his life, first as a member of it, later as leader of the Junior Choir, as deputy organist on occasion, and now, during the past years of war, in the absence of Mr. Lindsay, as organist and choirmaster.

He consented readily to undertake the latter task, has been most faithful in his attendance (with the exception of the period of his illness, when Mr. Currie officiated, he has not missed a Sunday), and has been present on occasions during the week when his services were required.

We desire to take this opportunity of thanking him publicly in the name of the congregation, and would intimate that at a meeting of Session this past week he was presented with a token of our appreciation."

2nd MEARNS COMPANY GIRL GUIDES

The 2nd Mearns Girl Guide Company started the new season on Thursday, 11th October, 1945, at 7.30 p.m., with only 13 girls, but increased to 24 before the end of December.

Marguerite Campbell and Isobel Morris both took the pre-warrant training course at Eastwood School, Giffnock, and are proving enthusiastic and helpful lieutenants.

Test work went ahead steadily, and we also managed to include in our programmes, country dancing, games, drill, singing, and discussions.

We finished the year with a Christmas Party, which everyone appeared to enjoy immensely.

E. EADIE, Lieutenant.

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On Sunday, 3rd March, the services will be conducted by Rev. George H. Allan, M.A., B.Sc., Port-Glasgow.

On 31st March, the visiting minister will be Rev. Graham Warner, M.A., Lochwinnoch. Mr. Warner is the nomination of the Assembly Committee for the Secretariat of the Maintenance of the Ministry, a position rendered vacant by the retiral of Rev. Dr. Bogle.