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Yule Party For 700 at State School

Approximately 700 children at Willowbrook State School were given a Christmas party last night in the school auditorium. The Rev. Dr. J. Murdock Palmer, Protestant chaplain at the school, arranged the affair.

The party featured the singing of the Richmond Masonic Glee Club, under the direction of William Erickson; the Girls Choir of the school, and Tim O'Malley, Island tenor, who was master of ceremonies.

James Tyrrell, president of Staten Island Division, St. George Association, played Santa Claus. He was assisted in the distribution of gifts by division officers, members of the Altar Guild of the school; Richmond Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Triangle Girls of Great Kills.

Bernold M. Jacobsen, national marshal of the St. George Association and member of the Island division, presented Dr. Palmer with a pulpit Bible on behalf of the association.

Blue and gold robes, made by the Sewing Girls Guild of the school, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Pierce, and designed by Dr. Palmer, were presented to the school's girls choir.



CHANUKAH PARTY—Mrs. Lillian Lipsitz, chairman, left, and Mrs. Rose Klein and Mrs. Edith Karol, co-chairmen of the Stella M. Gootenberg Temple, Pythian Sisters group visiting Willowbrook State School, distribute Chanukah gifts to children. Rabbi Phillip Goldberg, Jewish chaplain of Willowbrook, assists the members.

Pythian Sisters Aid Charities

Donations were made to the Sydenham Society and the Salvation Army last night at a meeting of Stella M. Gootenberg Temple, Pythian Sisters, in Richmond Masonic Hall, West Brighton.

A report was given on the Chanukah party which the temple sponsored for 350 children at Willowbrook State School.

Refreshments were served under the direction of Mrs. Stella Kolsen.

Mrs. Naomi Teitelbaum, excellent chief, presided. The next meeting will be Jan. 7.