

The Park Head Community and Memorial Hall was the scene of a very happy gathering of ladies, on Thursday September the 1st., when the Park Head Women's Institute celebrated it's 50th. Anniversary. The Hall was very prettily decorated with the Institute colors of Blue and Gold in streamers, numerous baskets of flowers and centred with the Women's Institute Crest. The Women's Institute was formed in July 1910, two of the Charter Members, Mrs. E. H. Milton and Mrs. E. Cox were able to be present and enjoy the festivities. These two ladies had the honor of cutting the lovely three story Anniversary cake, which was made by two members, Mrs. N. Dobson and Mrs. H. Radbourne. The Decorating Committee was Messdames J. Doubt, J. Mercer and V. Warrington.

The Celebrations began at 6 p.m. with a very lovely banquet, served from tables pretty with lighted gold and ~~yellow~~ blue flowers, gold doilies and candles, printed programs for place cards and

Institute crested serviettes. The Toast to the Queen preceded the banquet. The Twenty-Third was repeated as an "In Memoriam", of Members who had passed on.

The Head Table was centred with the Anniversary cake flanked with golden candles in crystal candelabra. Guests at the Head Table were the two Charter Members, the President, Mrs. T. Pringle, Mrs. G. McPhatter, of Owen Sound, who brought greetings from the new Grey-Bruce Area, and Mrs. A. Maundrell of Southampton who brought greetings from the Provincial Board. Mrs. P. Radbourne North Bruce District President who also brought greetings. Mrs. H. Gates who proposed the toast to the Pioneers, and Mrs. T. B. Rourke who responded to this toast. Mrs. A. Morrison who proposed the toast to the Mother Institute at Stoney Creek, and Mrs. John Rusk, 1st. Vice President who responded to this toast. Mrs. E. Evans brought greetings from the Associated Country Women of The World, Mrs.

A. Smith who read greetings from the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, and Mrs. N. Smith 2nd. and 3rd. Vice Presidents, Mrs. V. Warrington and Mrs. J. Bergstrom, who read greetings from the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. Other Head Table guests were all past Presidents and Past District Presidents, and Twelve Life Members, who are still very active in Institute work. The President, Mrs. T. Pringle was Chairman for the entire evening.

Banquet

Mrs. N. Dobson was Convener for the ~~banquet~~, and serving were Mrs. V. Thompson, Mrs. H. Marshall Mrs. J. Sutherland, and the Seven 4-H Club Girls.

~~After~~ Following a fifteen minute intermission, when everyone enjoyed renewing acquaintances, an enjoyable program was presented in the Upper Hall. Mrs. M. McKnight was at the piano for the W.I. Ode, and all repeated the Mary Stewart Collect. Some lively Old time songs were sung by all the ladies, with Mrs. N. Smith leading and Mrs. McKnight at the piano. A fine reading was given by a former member, Mrs. E. Robinson. Mrs. N. Smith sang a vocal solo, I'm forever blowing bubbles, with bubbles flying all around the hall, for an encore she sang All thru' the night and Brahms Lullaby. Mrs. Smith was in old time costume as was her accompanist Mrs. G. Huahn. About thirteen former Members now residing in Owen Sound, presented a humorous take off on one of the first Institute meetings held in Park Head. Mrs. M. McKnight played a very lovely medley of old time songs, which were popular fifty years ago, concluding with "Memories". Mrs. B. Samells spoke on the Theme, of the Day, "In Youth We Learn, In Age We Understand", and gave a short but interesting review of the Fifty Years of Achievement of the Park Head Women's Institute. Mrs. George Gray of Owen Sound a former member, gave The ~~W.I.~~ Courtesies to those who had helped make the evening such a happy and successful evening. This memorable evening was brought to a close with the singing of O Canada.