

# BRUCE EAST WI ANNUAL MEET 1970 UPHOLDS TWELVE RESOLUTIONS

"We live to learn, and learn to live," was the theme of the Annual Meeting of the Bruce-East District Women's Institute, recently hosted by the Pinkerton Branch. Mrs. Harold Burrell chaired the meeting.

In her report, Mrs. Burrell quoted a poem, "The Difference," which showed the difference a prayer in the morning makes to the happenings of every woman's day.

Mrs. Wm. Middleton read a report as prepared by Bruce County Home Economist, Miss Ann Patrick, who has requested Bruce East Branches to attend the Food Forum "Calorie Count Down," to be held at Port Elgin on June 16, at 8 p.m.

Other reports given were the Museum report read by Mrs. Fred Friar. Mrs. N. Howe gave the report of the Federation of Agriculture and the Safety Council. Mrs. A. Hauck gave a very interesting report of the Folk School held at Varnie.

Displays were set up by the Pinkerton 4-H clubs of their last project, as well as an exhibit of information that is available from the loan library of the Department. The Mildmay Branch put on a very amusing skit called, "The Bureau of Internal Revenue."

The Ladies of Knox United

Church served the 85 registered guests a very tasty lunch.

The afternoon session was opened by a sing-song under the direction of Mrs. D. Cameron of Walkerton, with Mrs. W. D. Halliday of Chesley at the organ. Mrs. Lloyd MacGregor read the scripture, and Mrs. Ross of Chesley led the group in prayer. Mrs. Willard Metcalfe, Pinkerton, welcomed the visitors.

The guest speaker was Fred Steimacher, Principal of Alexandra Community School in Owen Sound. He described all schools as being "For the people, of the people and by the people." He showed slides on the projects at Alexandra, and explained it as being an experiment in the future. There are over 300 using the school facilities, in 18 programs, after school hours.

The conveners of the standing committees gave very complete reports of the fifteen branches in the area.

The scholarship report was given by Mrs. G. Maxwell. Public relations by Miss Eva McKelvey of Paisley. Mrs. Wm. Middleton gave the report on the 4-H girls projects. Others giving reports were: Mrs. L. MacGregor, Mrs. C. Taylor, Mrs. A. Filsinger, Mrs. L. McTeer, Mrs. E. Kramp, and Mrs. D. Cameron. The conveners stated that 100% of the branches re-

ported this year.

Special guests of the day, who spoke briefly, bringing greetings from their areas were: Mrs. Perry Radbourne, Owen Sound, President of the Grey-Bruce Area; Bruce North president, Miss Rita Rathwell, R.R. 1, Warton; Bruce-South president, Mrs. Cecil Holland, R.R. 1, Kincardine; Mrs. Richard Fenton, R.R. 1, Port Elgin, president of Bruce - Centre, and Mrs. Victor Emmerson of Whitechurch, who gave a report on the area Tweedsmuir book.

Mrs. Harold Burrell was appointed to the Area Convention Committee, and Mrs. Wm. Middleton will attend the 1970-71 National Convention to be held in Winnipeg.

Mrs. Burrell, Mrs. Wm. Middleton, Mrs. Geo. Woolfle and Mrs. T. J. Cornish were appointed to assist with the district's Tweedsmuir book.

Mrs. A. Teasdale of R.R. 1, Dobbinton, F.W.I.O. Board Director gave a complete report of the Provincial Spring Board meeting held in Guelph. She stated there have been 80 life memberships conferred this past year. One of the F.W.I.O. major projects is the Jr. Institute, and Bruce - East has one of the two new branches in the Province. There are 1308 branches and over 30,000 members in the F.W.I.O.

Bruce - East's membership stands at 400 and is up slightly. Twenty-two \$100.00 Scholarships have been given at County and Provincial levels.

She reported that all projects of the F.W.I.O. have closed, except the 75th Anniversary fund of \$50,000 to Macdonald Institute, which now stands at \$29,000, and is scheduled to be reached by 1972.

The new price of the Institute cup and saucer will be \$8.70, and T. Eaton Co. is the sole distributor. The cost is high due the fact that they are made in the best of Ainsley Bone China and the Colbalt blue dye used in the band is almost extinct.

She reported that the meeting dealt with thirty resolutions and upheld the following twelve: Exacting law on illegal drugs be retained; Nursing home care be included in Hospital Plans; Dutch elm disease; Fine print on legal documents; Continuation of the Don Messer show on T.V.; CBC Festival be replaced with one of better morals; Uniform food packaging; Non-returnable bottles; Tax exemption be raised to \$2500 from the present \$1000; Arrows indicating road side tables; Banning of cigarette advertising; Roll bars and seat belts be made standard equipment on tractors.

She concluded with the reading

of "What the Mary Stewart Collect Means to Me" by Kathleen Colbert.

Mrs. Wm. Middleton presented the report of the nominating committee which was accepted by the meeting: Past President, Mrs. Wm. Middleton, R.R. 3, Paisley; President, Mrs. Harold Burrell, R.R. 2, Cargill; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Fred Friar, R.R. 2, Chesley; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. T. J. Cornish, Chesley; 3rd vice Pres, Mrs. Lloyd MacGregor, R.R. 2, Walkerton; Secretary - Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Woolfle, R.R. 2, Paisley; Assistant, Mrs. Percy McCay, R.R. 3, Paisley; Federated Representative, Mrs. T. J. Cornish, Chesley; Alternate, Mrs. Geo. Woolfle, R.R. 2, Paisley; Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Wm. Miskie, R.R. 1, Chesley; Assistant, Mrs. L. Marriott, Paisley; Dist. Delegate to area Convention, Mrs. Wm. Middleton; Alternate, Mrs. Fred Friar, R.R. 2, Chesley; Tweedsmuir Curator, Mrs. Don Cameron, Walkerton; Assistant, Mrs. A. Teasdale, R.R. 2, Dobbinton.

Standing Committees: Education, Mrs. Cameron Taylor, R.R. 3, Walkerton; Agr. & Canadian Industries, Mrs. Lloyd MacGregor, R.R. 1, Walkerton; Histori-

## PINKERTON AND JACKSON INSTITUTES CELEBRATE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF WI

Jackson and Pinkerton Women's Institutes met jointly at the Bradley Community Centre to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Women's Institutes.

Mrs. Allen Gregg, president of the Bradley branch, was chairman for the program. The members viewed slides of the Island of Minorca, Vancouver and the North West Territories. Readings, community singing and baton twirling were included in

the program. A highlight of the evening was the cutting of the anniversary cake, which was decorated and baked by members.

Taking part in the cake-cutting ceremony were the first president of Jackson branch, Mrs. Lloyd McTeer; the first president of Bradley branch, Mrs. George Woolfle, and the first living president of the Pinkerton branch, Mrs. Victor Metcalfe. Lunch, including the anniversary cake, was served.

## Elmer Reid Passes Away

Mr. Elmer Reid of Paisley passed away at the County of Bruce General Hospital, Walkerton, on Monday, July 3, 1977 in his 82nd year.

Mr. Reid was born in Green-



Shown at the recent Annual Meeting of the Bruce East District W.I. are, seated from left, Mrs. Harold Burrell, Pinkerton, R.R. 2, Paisley, secretary; standing, Mrs. Fred Friar, R.R. 2, Chesley, 1st vice, and Mrs. Wm. Middleton, R.R. 3, Paisley, past president.

## PINKERTON INSTITUTE HEARS HISTORY OF QUILTS

The September meeting of the Pinkerton Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. R. Cramm. Members answered the roll call by naming articles found in grandma's bedroom.

Final plans were made for the craft articles for the area convention. It was decided to hold a bazaar and to start the euchre parties.

Mrs. Joe Fitzsimmons, the convener, gave an interesting commentary with illustrations on the history of quilts, ending with a sing-song with all participating.

Mrs. I. Gregg and Mrs. V. Metcalfe assisted the hostess in serving lunch.



## SKETCHES

By BEN BURROUGHS

I REGARD with highest honor . . . people who are up in years . . . for they made the toilsome journey . . . through this life of joy and tears . . . they have known what I do not know . . . they have seen what I must see . . . and they have a special knowledge . . . that all but amazes me . . . old folks have a way about them . . . they are kind and gentle, too . . . and if their advice is followed . . . it will bring me smiling through . . . for they made mistakes I'm making . . . and they have survived the past . . . with a faith and perseverance . . . that is bound always to last . . . that is why I cherish old folks . . . they know when to take or give . . . and above all they have mastered . . . life, by learning how to live.