## A PRAYER

From Morning Devotions led by Rev. W. A. Young, Women's Institute Holiday, Guelph. Let me do my work each day, and if the darkened hours of despair overcome me, may I not forget the strength that comforted me in the desolation of other times. May I still remember the bright hours that found me walking over the silent hills of my childhood-dreaming on the margin of the quiet river, when a light glowed within me and I promised my early God to have courage amid the tempests of the changing years. Spare me from bitterness and from the sharp passions of unguarded moments. May I not forget that poverty and riches are of the spirit. Though the world know me not, may my thoughts and actions be such as shall keep me friendly with myself. Lift my eyes from the earth and let me not forget the uses of the stars. Forbid that I should judge others lest I condemn myself. Let me not follow the clamour of the world, but walk calmly in my path. Give me a few friends who will love me for what I am and keep ever burning before my vagrant steps the kindly light of hope. Though age and infirmity overtake me and I come not within sight of the castle of my dreams, teach me yet to be thankful for life, for olden memories that are good and sweet-

thanks is due here, too, to Miss Ethel Mc-Naughton, the school's attractive young house-keeper. Mrs. R. G. Purcell, Provincial President of the Ontario Women's Institutes, presided at all sessions and led the devotional exercises. Mrs. Roy Graham of South Mountain, pianist and song leader, was in charge of the music.

and may the evening's twilight find me

gentle still.

The holiday programme began with a showing of the films "West Wind," the life and work of Tom Thomson, and "Canadian Landscape" showing the work of A. Y. Jackson. The pictures were followed by a discussion on Canadian Art. In the evening Mr. H. E. ("Dusty") Miller, Eastern Ontario representative of Community Programmes Branch of the Department of Education, took charge of a "Get Acquainted Party" and every woman in the group took part in the games and dances.

The morning sessions were given to interest groups with leaders from the Women's Institute Branch. Miss Grace Hamilton, R.N., demonstrated bandaging and gave a talk on "What's Behind the Doctor?" sketching the progress of Medicine over the past century. Miss Eleanor Kidd, clothing Supervisor for the Institutes Branch, demonstrated Invisible Mending. Ethel Chapman, in a talk and discussion dealt with "Literature of the Land" in novels, essays and poetry.

An evening session in charge of Mrs. Purcell was given to the film "Rural Women," show-

ing how home-demonstration work is carried on in the United States. On this evening, too, Miss Rorke gave a talk, illustrated with slides, on her recent visit to Britain and Europe.

A popular feature of the Kemptville holiday, both last year and this year, was a tour of the district forestry station and a talk on conservation by W. E. Steele, director of the station

"Farmer's Day" was held at the school on the second day of the Women's Institute holiday. The holiday group joined the women who came in for the day and they saw a film on "The Care of Nylon" and a film on the student activities at the school. This was followed by an inspection of the Home Economics kitchen and dining room and a visit to the greenhouse.

The attendance at the Kemptville Holiday was not as large as had been expected but the staff who assisted with the programme agree that the spirit of those who were there and their contribution to the interest and enjoymen of the event were at an all time high.

## **Hearing Aids Wanted**

You may have a hearing aid lying idle in your home, or you may know of a neighbour who has one.

It may meet the need of some hard-of-hearing person on Old Age Pension, Old Age Assistance, or the mother of a family in the low income group. Such hard-of-hearing persons unable to buy a hearing aid are referred to the National Society of the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing by Federal and Provincial Departments of Health and Welfare, Hospital Clinics, and various Social Service Agencies.

\*When suitable aids are made available, the officers of the Society provide as initial supply of batteries, and explain the operation of the aid so that the greatest benefit from, and proper adjustment to, the aid is effected.

It is hoped that no one will allow a hearing aid to remain idle when it may be the means of bringing back into a hearing world those who may know, once more, through your generosity the happiness of "hearing."

Hearing aids should be sent to: Mr. Edward B. Lally, Managing Director, The National Society of the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing 2 Bloor Street East, Toronto 5, Canada.

\*All services of the Society are provided without cost

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Live for the day only and for the day's work . . . The load of tomorrow, added to that of yesterday, carried today makes the strongest falter . . . Prepare to cultivate the habit of life in "day-tight compartments" . . . Live neither in the past nor the future, but let each day's work absorb all your interest, energy and enthusiasm. The best preparation for tomorrow is to do to-day's work superbly well.

-Sir William Osler.