

When **Haysville** reviewed its work at its fortieth anniversary, two of its accomplishments were furnishing a room in the Kitchener-Waterloo hospital at a cost of \$750 and contributing \$500 to the community centre. At this anniversary celebration, three of the eleven members who formed the first group were present, one having been on the original executive. Corsages were presented to past officers by Mrs. R. M. Lamb, granddaughter of the first president, Mrs. Levi Master, and by Mrs. Lloyd Debus, daughter of the first secretary, Mrs. A. R. G. Smith.

A great many Institutes provide some special treat for the children around Christmas time. **Bala** last year brought in Walt Disney's film "Cinderella" and had a showing for the children on an afternoon during the Christmas holidays. A note in the local paper says: "Too bad it could not have been shown for the grown-ups in the evening. It surely was well worth seeing."

Savard, through the Red Cross, provided cod liver oil capsules for the pupils of the Consolidated School during the winter.

Early in the year Georgetown had a shower of articles to replace the layettes donated at the time of Hurricane Hazel.

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During the winter, **Huntley** sponsored a dancing class for teenagers and pre-teenagers, under the direction of a teacher from the Community Programs Branch of the Department of Education. The last session was an open evening which Institute members, parents and friends of the young people were privileged to attend. The course had an enrollment of seventy-one young people and fifty-one of these attended all the classes.

Maynard Institute in South Grenville held a series of "Hobo Teas" during the month of February which were successful both as a means of raising money and providing fun. The District President, who is a member of the branch, reports: "Notice was given at a meeting that at any time during the month any group of members could call on any member in her home and, on payment of twenty-five cents, demand tea. The funds of course were turned over to the Institute. Everyone was to go in work-day clothes — some dressed as 'hoboes' — and the hostess must serve whatever refreshments she had at hand. No advance notice was given the hostess. Some member with a car would start out, gathering a load as she went along, everyone going dressed just as she was when called out. We had a great deal of fun, visited some shut-in members and realized a goodly sum for the Institute.

Alexandra Institute in Wentworth County, entertained the foster mothers of the County Children's Aid Society at a meeting addressed by the senior nurse of the County Public Health nurses.

Six members of **Milberta** Institute in South Timiskaming, interested in the F.W.I.O. Canadian Landscape painting competition last year,



Grandmother members of Queensville Institute as they appeared to sing an old-time song at the Grandmothers' Meeting.

got a local couple who are both schoolteachers and artists to coach them in oil painting. The women met in the artists' home every Saturday night for two months and each finished with a picture of her own creation. The Institute sponsored the project and provided the initial supply of paints.

Innerkip in Oxford County gives an illustration of how Institutes bring library service to rural communities. Oxford has a county library with headquarters in Woodstock. From this library small communities may borrow books, provided the community will set up a distributing centre. The Institute took this responsibility, the "library" being a bookcase placed in the same building as the post office. Books may be borrowed any Tuesday afternoon or Friday evening and the members of the Institute take turns in acting as librarian. Every three months a bookmobile from the county library visits the village bringing a change of books. The cost of this service is ten dollars a year which the Institute raises at bazaars or in other ways well known to women's organizations. It is reported that the library is very popular in the community. In the first three months after it was opened over one hundred people borrowed books—fifty-six adults and fifty-three children.

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Some Institutes find very practical ways of getting things done in the community by appealing to the authorities concerned. This report comes from **Richmond Hill** Institute: "For several months there were no time tables available for the users of the Yonge Street buses. To find out the schedule meant telephoning the city at a cost of twenty-five cents. The Richmond Hill Institute brought this to the attention of the town council who were able, through their representation on the