

where she had worked, from Muskoka to Kenora.

The presentation was made by Mrs. J. H. McDonald, F.W.I.O. board member for Temiskaming and Cochrane, who spoke of the home economist's hardships in covering her territory thirty years ago when "the North was not exactly a pathless wilderness but was much more primitive than it is today," yet "if Miss Petty said she would be in a certain place at a certain time she was there." Said Mrs. McDonald: "The Club girls she worked with loved her and their mothers loved her for the help and encouragement she gave their daughters."

"The first time I saw Miss Petty with her girls was at a Junior Farmers' Conference," said Mrs. McDonald. "And although every one of her districts was represented, she not only knew every girl by name, but she was enquiring about their families as well. So it is small wonder that they wished to express, on the eve of her retirement, just how much they have loved and appreciated her."

Mrs. Chadbourne, president of the Nipissing Women's Institute District, also spoke, thanking Miss Petty not only for her interest in the girls, but for her concern for the whole community.

A MIXED CLASS IN HOME CRAFTS

NORTH STAR Institute, near Shillington in South Cochrane, had a rather unusual class for its Home Crafts Workshop, a ten day course given by Miss Isabel Leslie of the Home Economics Extension Service. The course included leathercraft, moccasins, glove making and weaving. The following notes are taken from Miss Leslie's report:

"The attendance on the first day was small. Haying had started very late and was then in full swing so a number of women who had expected to take the course either had to help with the hay or had no way of getting to the class because the men were too busy to drive them.

"Eight teen-aged girls came and after the first day the mother of two of them asked if her boys could come and make watch-straps. The boys were twins, nine years old, but they did very well, punching the holes for lacing and doing the lacing very carefully. Then a teen-aged boy came and made an excellent wallet and a collar for his dog. The next addition to the class was a man who wanted to make a wide belt to wear on his motorcycle. The belt and the tooled lettering 'S-H-I-L-L-I-N-G-T-O-N' were very well done and he said the belt cost only about one-fifth of the price if he had had to buy it.

"A woman with a bad case of arthritis worked very hard making a leather 'binder' or case for carrying school books for her daughter and made over two others—a large project for anyone. This woman had taken a Workshop course last year. After that she

bought some tools and she did a considerable amount of leatherwork during the winter."

"Another woman who took the course last year specialized in making stamped leather belts which she has developed into a rather profitable hobby."

A SUCCESSFUL SHORT COURSE

I want to tell you about the course that the **New Liskeard** Institute sponsored the last week in May—a course in "Sandwiches for All Occasions." We, of course, advertised it by letter to the other thirteen branches in the district, and over the radio and in the press to everyone in the community. We hoped for an attendance of perhaps seventy-five or at least fifty, but they kept coming and coming and **coming** until at last there were 134. Miss Porteous (the instructor) said it was the largest attendance at any course in Ontario up to date, and the only one where ten branches were represented.

Fortunately we had brought extra bread and Miss Porteous made up extra large supplies of fillings for all the different kinds of sandwiches she was making, and we had enough to give everyone a sandwich or two with their cup of tea. But we have really been going around with our chests out ever since.

—Mrs. J. H. McDonald.

PSYCHOLOGY FOR THE HOMEMAKER

When Miss Elizabeth Master of Home Economics Service spoke at the District Annuals last summer she stressed the importance of education in family relationships or "psychology for the homemaker." (Courses in this subject were dropped from our program last year. Because there were so few applications for them, our psychologist left our extension service to work in the Toronto schools. But it is hoped that an interest can be revived in this very important education for homemakers.) In her addresses Miss Master quoted a poem which the women asked to have published in *Home and Country*. Here it is:

SIXTEEN

By Grace Douglas

She wants to drive the car now,
She wants to learn to fly,
She wants to build a penthouse
Right up against the sky.
She wants to do exciting things,
She wants to stay up late,
She wants a long black formal,
She has a heavy date!
She cannot walk in my steps
And break her heart with yearning;
She needs to chart her own course
And live while she is learning.
The world lies wide before her
The heart within her sings;
How shall I guide her restless feet,
Yet not restrict her wings?