

ment to two schools. **Elk Lake, Sutton Bay** and **Bury's** in Temiskaming all report providing cod liver oil capsules for school children. **Sutton** also helped to pay for curtains to darken the school windows when films are shown. At **Dymond** the members assisted in making costumes for the school children's Christmas concert. **Hall's Glen** bought milk tablets for school children. **Thornclyff** provided a hot dish for the school lunch during the winter and **Lake Shore** donated a supply of soup. **Bentpath** entertained the girls' soft ball team at a turkey dinner. **Oakwood** gave banquets to the Girls' Soft Ball Team and the Junior Hockey Team.

Several branches have assisted with swimming classes for children. **Rosemont** sponsored a class of over eighty children. **Violet Hill** helped to pay for a bus to take children to the swimming classes, a mother always accompanying them. **Coulson** paid for instruction and transportation for children in swimming classes, as did many branches in Simcoe county. **Roblin** has started a movement to provide the children of the community with a suitable swimming place in the local river. **Amherst Island** financed a skating rink on the local school grounds.

Some Institutes have shown their interest in the school and the children in another way. **Otterville** helped to elect one of the members as a school trustee. **Chatterton** "got behind a drive to get the women out to the annual school meeting, with very satisfactory results." **Victory** members attended the school meeting and served lunch. (Maybe serving lunch

would give women an entry to school meetings, where men are still prejudiced against having them there.—Ed.)

As a result of historical research done by **Cloverdale**, a school reunion was held with "over four hundred boys and girls of all ages" attending. High lights of the celebration were reminiscent talks by former teachers, one of them Mrs. Agnes Bodkin having taught from 1889 to 1892. A history of the school had been prepared and copies were available on the grounds.

Annan Institute takes a special interest in the school for retarded children at Owen Sound. Members attend the school's monthly meetings and bring back reports and the Institute helps the school financially. **Island Falls** was instrumental in getting Salk vaccine for the children and is trying to get the services of the CNR dental car. **Rushview** "gave leadership in the administration of Salk vaccine." **Coleridge Union** notified parents of polio vaccination and assisted in transporting children. **Hockley Valley, York Road** and **Gamebridge** also assisted with polio vaccination and the transportation of children for treatment.

Among the miscellaneous community activities, at **Apsley** about twenty women and girls, at the time of reporting, were taking a Nursing Course at their outpost hospital and more were waiting to take a course later. **Rossmount** had a delegation visit their county Home for the Aged. They found it understaffed and overcrowded and reported this to the branch and at the District Annual. (We believe this report also went to the county council.—Ed.) **West Arran** started a relief fund for the victim of an accident "and it was well supported."

Markstay in Sudbury district is canvassing the community to get enough subscribers to bring telephone service and is petitioning the council for a health programme. They assist with mobile chest X-ray clinics and are working to prepare their hall for a community centre. **Queenston St. David's** provides transportation for mothers and children to the district's Baby Clinics. **Lincoln County** Institutes in general seem to be supporting the county Victorian Order Nursing service.

McKellar in South Parry Sound sponsored a "Book Quiz" for public school pupils—to direct their interest to the classics and away from the crime comics. They also assist the village library. **Mono Road** reports: "As the result of a panel discussion on the subject, local dealers in Crime Comics have become more active in keeping undesirable literature from children."

Caledon members operated a Craft Shop during the summer. (We understand this is a shop to sell their craft work to tourists—Ed.) **Torrance** had four members attend classes in Felt Craft conducted by Community Programmes. These four members then acted as local leaders, conducting classes for the rest of the members.



Brampton East's exhibit of some of the articles made in a class in Children's Clothing.