

Home is the place of rest and peace to which we return after the busy and tiring duties of the day. The refuge we seek when ill or worn, disappointed or sorrowful, knowing full well that we shall find ministering hands, loving hearts and unfailing understanding to meet our needs.

Our character, principles, Christian hearts and religious beliefs have their origin in the home. The spirit of the home reaches out to the community, to the country and to the world. It means caring for the sick, poor, aged and suffering. Sharing as practised in the home becomes a part of our nature and as Christians we feel it our duty to share with other countries, with citizens of our own land when affliction and disaster strike.

Just as long as we have happy and wholesome Christian homes we shall have strong and enduring nations and with God's help will find world peace.

#### **Racial Brotherhood**

"Join hands then, brothers of the faith,  
Whate'er thy race may be.  
Who serves my Father as a Son  
Is surely kin to me."

## *The Holiday at Kemptville*

**By Mrs. E. V. Thompson**

**G**REETINGS AND a warm welcome were extended by the Provincial President, Mrs. James Haggerty, to the members attending the Seventh Annual Women's Institute Holiday at the Kemptville Agricultural School, August 6, 7 and 8. Miss Ruth Rorke, Director of the Home Economics Department, and the School's hostess, welcomed the members to K.A.S. and gave a summary of the facilities available to students and others at the School. A visit to the Home Economics Department was enjoyed at the close of the first afternoon's programme. A Radio Soap Opera scheduled for this programme proved to be a good "ice-breaker" as several members found themselves quite unexpectedly "on the air."

The Get Acquainted Party, on the first evening, brought out a good deal of talent. Most of the members made a contribution, either by singing, reciting or telling a good story. One member had a box containing slips of paper on each of which was written a suggestion for a one minute talk. Members were invited to take a slip and do their best with the topic suggested. This proved very popular as the topics were varied and some were quite humorous. A "Good Good Morning" under the direction of Mrs. Haggerty got each morning of the holiday away to a good start. Her addresses were timely and much enjoyed, while the singing of hymns well known and

"And this commandment have we from Him; that he that loveth God, loveth his brother also.

"I am glad to say that in this Canada of ours, there is little racial distinction, and I think most of us blush in shame when we occasionally hear some person who objects to people of another colour.

"Did you ever stop to think that no one actually knows the colour of Jesus' skin, and yet we never even think about it? Jesus was not of our race and authorities tell us it is impossible to tell what blood flowed in His veins, so mixed up were the races of Judea, Jesus transcended his nationality. He was a world citizen.

"Half the sweetness of the world would be missed if the earth were all one hue. If all the leaves, flowers and sunsets were brown, how monotonous a place the world would be. Do we shrink from the poppy because it is not yellow like the sunflower? Do we hate the grass because it is green, not white? No matter what the colour of people's skins, their souls may be shining white. Let us look into our hearts and souls and maybe we shall not be as proud of our own white skins."

"common to us all" set the pace for happy days.

Mrs. Roy Graham, South Mountain, provided the music at the morning sessions and led community singing several times during the Holiday.

An illustrated lecture on Fish Cookery, conducted by Miss Margaret Myer, Director of the Department of Fisheries Test Kitchen, Ottawa, gave many interesting suggestions for the cooking of this nutritious food. Mr. H. S. Ransom, of the Horticulture Division, K.A.S. took the members on a memorable tour of Europe and the British Isles when he showed coloured slides which he had taken earlier this year. Mr. Ransom was in charge of a group of touring horticulturalists. The beautiful flowers and gardens pictured were a delight to the eye; a running commentary added much to the enjoyment of the slides.

Very welcome and interesting visitors for one day were Lady Coomaraswamy and her niece, Miss Paderini Ponnampalam. Lady Coomaraswamy is a vice-president of A.C.W.W. and is at present resident in Ottawa where her husband is High Commissioner for Ceylon. Members were delighted to meet such charming visitors in an informal setting and were most interested in Lady Coomaraswamy's brief but informative talk of conditions in Ceylon, and to hear also of the work of the Lanka Mahila Samiti, the