

it was much easier for an Institute to raise money then than now even though fifty years ago the charge of admissions to a garden party with the best of entertainment was only twenty-five cents.

Mrs. Hugh Summers was guest speaker at **Queenston St. David's** fiftieth anniversary. It was recalled that the first major project of the Institute was to raise, as a memorial to Queenston's and Canada's heroine Laura Secord, \$3,000 for a memorial hall in the new school which was completed in 1914.

Bowen Road celebrated its fiftieth anniversary at a banquet attended by over one hundred including members and their husbands.

Clavering featured a display of antiques at their fiftieth anniversary tea. Twelve past presidents attended. Mrs. MacPhatter was guest speaker.

At **Mountain View's** fiftieth anniversary, Miss Lillian Anderson told how her late father had learned that there was a women's organization in the province and it was arranged to have a lady from the Department of Agriculture come to the Anderson home and speak at a meeting in the Church. The Institute was organized at this meeting.

Walters Falls had eight former presidents and eight former secretaries at their fiftieth anniversary tea. Mrs. Donald Carmichael, past president, presided for the programme and Mrs. W. H. Clugston, a former area president, was guest speaker. It is of interest that the Institutes in 1908 bought the hall which they still own, where the meeting was held. Every branch in the district contributed a number to the programme.

At **Laskay's** fiftieth anniversary a special feature of the entertainment was provided by a choral group composed of members of the Institute and the girls' 4-H Homemaking Club. Another happy idea was having two sisters sing some of the old songs they sang at Institute meetings years ago; and another two sisters repeated some of the piano duets they had played for the Institute when they were little girls. An item of interest from a record of 1911 was that in a membership of 40 there were 21 unmarried girls enrolled. The commentator remarked that it would be hard to

QUILT BLOCK COMPETITION AWARDS

Following are the awards in the provincial competition sponsored by the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario and the Salada-Shirriff-Horsey Co. Ltd., in connection with the Women's Institute Quilt Block Project:

First Prize: West End Women's Institute.

Second Prize: West Fort William

Third Prize: Elder's Mills.

Honorable Mention: Shedden, Fordwich, Appin, Temperanceville, South Tarentorus, Dublin, Brooke, Desboro, Zenda, Pittsburg.

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find that number of unmarried girls in any rural community today. At this meeting the president announced that the Laskay Field Day Association, a local organization of men, had just disbanded and had turned over a gift of \$500 to the Institute to use for their "building fund" or in any way they wish. The "building fund" possibly refers to improvements in a hall already owned by the Institute.

Central Dumfries held its fiftieth anniversary garden tea at the farm home where the Institute was organized, a home now in the hands of the fifth generation of the Ford family. A display of antiques included a collection of old tea-pots—one of these had been at the organization meeting, soup tureens, shawls, candlesticks, family albums, and the Institute's Book of Memories. This is a history of the branch and contains the pictures of all the presidents and secretaries. All the branches in South Waterloo district were invited to the event which was convened by Mrs. Ford Sudden, Mrs. Wm. Brown and Mrs. W. H. Gillespie, the only living charter member.

Editor's Note: Now that each year brings the fiftieth anniversaries of a steadily increasing number of Institutes, it seems that we have reached the time when we should publish only the names of the branches. Notes of such general interest that they should be passed along can be reported in the "Here and There With the Institutes" section.