

Junior Institute

Programmes

and Projects



Girls of Glenoro Junior Farmer Club and their leader, Mrs. Norman Tuck, with dresses they made for the County Children's Aid. Mrs. Tuck had taken the "Sew to Save" project.

An Interesting Sewing Project

The girls of the Glenoro Junior Farmer Club of North Simcoe completed an interesting project during the January, February and March meetings. At the first meeting they chose a wrap-around style sun dress for a four-year-old. The material selected was a pale green cotton with a circus design.

Mrs. Norman Tuck, President of the Crown Hill Women's Institute, had taken the Women's Institute Training School for "Sew to Save Dollars and Make Sense." Mrs. Tuck took a keen interest in the girl's project, attended two of the meetings and helped them with their difficulties. The junior girls made the bias binding from an avocado green cotton material and the senior girls each took one dress home to finish.

The material for the six dresses cost the Glenoro Club \$7.88. When finished, the dresses looked very attractive and have been distributed to the County Children's Aid Society.

Miscellaneous Notes

In the "Reports of Meetings"—this is the report that every Institute, whether junior or senior, is required to complete and send to the district secretary—we found these notes from Junior Institutes. Some of the information was given in our last issue in the reports direct from Junior Institutes.

North Easthope, working with the junior farmers, made a canvass of the township to get people to come to the Chest-X-Ray Clinic. They also helped to paint and set up concession road signs.

Stratford presented a three-act play, did various numbers at a variety programme and entered a square dance group, entered a float in the Stratford Fair parade, sponsored a picnic, an open air dance, a wiener roast and a Hallowe'en masquerade. The report also had this note of interest: "While the topic for the April meeting was Spring Fashion, the

Thought for the Day expressed the serious meaning of Easter."

Alloa, with "Building Better Communities" as the general theme for the year, discussed Personal Development, Juvenile Delinquency, Town and Country Relations, Family Relations and Recreation. This Institute also reports a discussion "Why I Chose My Profession." The girls made a layette for the Health Unit to give where it is needed.

Bolton at one meeting had each member appear in an old-time costume, and in answer to the roll call, tell its history. Their special project for the year was co-operating with the junior farmers in a canvass of the farm homes of their area to collect funds for the county school for retarded children. Answering a question on the Report of Meetings form as to what plans they have to gain new members, the secretary says: "We try to maintain the interest of the members we have with the hope that they will tell prospective members about the organization."

Caledon's study theme for the year was "Know Your Country." They gave donations to the Mental Health Association and to the Temperance cause.

A Project in Layettes

The Bolton Jr. Institute's August meeting, held at the home of Ruth Johnston was a little different from the usual meeting. A layette was made, consisting of small nighties and shirts and diapers. Several girls pinned the patterns on the flannelette and cut them out, while others sewed the small garments together. Since there was not enough time during the meeting to complete the project, each girl took a garment home to do the finishing touches.

The layette, plus a few articles that had previously been made will be sent to a service committee who will forward the clothing to a hospital.