

King Ridge held a shower for a bride just arrived from Holland to be married in Canada.

At **Lambton Mills** a new Canadian member sang Brahm's Lullaby in her native tongue. She also told of her experience when she received her citizenship papers and afterwards.

History Research

Cedar Hill and **Appleton** each helped with a display of antiques for **Almonte's** centennial fall fair. **Ramsay** donated an antique quilt to the local museum.

Coldstream reports: "We donated \$100 as a start toward establishing a local museum in the park. A log cabin and various articles have been there for some time. This is a project in which all the Institutes in the township are participating along with the township council."

Last year was centennial year for the town of Colborne and **Colborne** Institute had a rather special January meeting with a pot luck lunch and a local history programme. The programme included the reading of the minutes of the first Council meeting, excerpts from a farm journal for the same month and a skit "Beaux and Belles of Yesterday" starring the grandmothers.

Embro and **West Zorra** helped to compile a book for the Embro centennial, had a display of antiques and helped with the programme.

Coronation Bolton is working with the Regional Conservation Authority in restoring the log house in Albion Hills Conservation Park to make it an historic centre. **Castlemore** had a display of old dolls, old school books and other antiques. Two members of **Hillcrest** put on a skit "Mrs. 1899 visits

At the first joint rally of the Women's Institute Districts of North and South Thunder Bay, Miss Myrna Rossie, left, receives the Thunder Bay Women's Institute Scholarship from Mrs. N. Vickruck, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. Myrna has completed 12 Homemaking Club Units. Her scholarship will be used in training for a career in nursing.

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Mrs. 1959," contrasting the clothes, food and general customs of the two periods.

Motherwell had an interesting talk on the history of the local post office from the time it was established in 1859 when the first carriers brought mail on foot from Stratford and St. Mary's up to the time of rural delivery and mail boxes. They also had a display of old coins, old valentines and old wedding invitations; and a unique paper of news of 1909 and 1959, taken from a diary and dealing with modes of travel, produce prices, entertainment and church activities.

Cherry Valley had a cabinet (of glass we take it. Ed.) built for their Tweedsmuir history and it is now on view in the township hall. **Sailors Encampment** has their Historical Research programme at their annual pot luck dinner marking the anniversary of their Institute. They say this event "always brings out new stories of the old days."

Newmarket and **Sharon** report helping in the publication of a history of Newmarket, "From Indian Trail to County Seat." Many of the Institutes of North York have assisted in furnishing the Doan House at the museum at Temple Park, Sharon. Newmarket especially mentions this. **Woodbridge** and **Lambton Mills, Kleinburg** and **Nashville, Burwick** in West York also contributes to furnishing a room in "Doan House." **Richview** is contributing relics to the Museum at Dalziel Park.

Kleinburg and **Nashville** branch reports: "At our historical research meeting we used a Bell Telephone History of Kleinburg and the secretary believes these histories may be available for other communities."

Community Interests

At **Adanac**, as the result of a resolution passed at a meeting in charge of the convener of Agriculture and Canadian Industries, the Township Council provided a township garbage dump.

Froomfield this year planted more evergreens and annuals in their project of beautifying a neglected cemetery—"a piece of work that seems to be appreciated by the community."

Inwood, Bear Creek, Uttoxeter and **D-R-Best**, in addition to putting on an entertainment for the residents of the County Home for the Aged, arranged to have some members spend an afternoon at the home doing sewing and mending. **Abervester** does this and sends holiday and birthday cards to one special resident. (Evidently this work is pretty general in Lambton county.) **Becher** members of the Home's Auxiliary attended "a work and entertainment week."

Ravenswood had a social gathering in the school every two weeks during the winter. **Becher** arranged a Decoration Day service and an Armistice Day service and they had the high school band play at these. **Oakdale** gave a dinner to the "Happy Craft Club" of crippled folk, both adults and children.

When **The McGregor** Women's Institute in Thunder Bay celebrated its tenth birthday they undertook to let the public know what they had accomplished by having different members each set up a display to represent one of their achievements. These included getting Mail Delivery, putting on Fair Demonstrations, Public Speaking, a School Bus Resolution, Grade VIII Students' Banquet, Making Drapes, Chair and Couch Coverings, Card Conventorship (This may mean organizing card parties or