

programme from members or a fine of 25 cents brought a number of excellent ideas for the programme committee."

**Moncrieff:** "Try to emphasize the social and helpful side of the Institute more than the financial. Don't ask the members to raise money for too many projects. We have tried to make donations to perhaps three worthy causes one year, then to two or three different causes the next year."

**South Huron Juniors** recommend that having a motto at every meeting is good training for those who "make them up"; and planning a programme for the year, and having it printed at the beginning of the year helps the president and gives the members the responsibility of preparing their parts and being at the meeting to give their part of the programme.

**Oxdrift:** "In taking a local leader project don't try to combine the work with a regular Institute meeting. For our project "Focus on Finishes" the members met with the local leaders in the local hall and had tables for cutting. These meetings were social and enjoyable as well as instructive. If we had tried to combine a work meeting with the regular Institute meeting both would have been spoiled."

**Cedar Hill:** "We feel that the Institute is getting involved in so many activities, having so many demands for contributions that we are getting away from the good old friendly social part of our organization."

**Pakenham:** "This year we had Hasti Notes made with a picture of our five-span bridge—a picture of anything historic in the locality could be used. We sold over two hundred boxes and had a nice profit."

**Brooke Juniors:** "We feel that a closer relationship should be established between junior and senior Institutes."

**Froomfield:** "Instead of exchanging gifts at Christmas, give gifts to some organization such as the Salvation Army to help make up their Christmas cheer baskets—(or to the Children's Shelter or friendless people in an institution, or to local aged or shut-in)."

**Kent Centre:** "We feel that literature announcing Institute Competitions is not received by the branches in time to prepare the articles."

**Molly Creek:** "Women's Institutes should have more book reviews, display more interest in art and music. People who could give leadership don't belong."

**Bayview:** "We are still being asked for so many donations that some people say that is why they won't join the Institute."

**Vineland:** "It is our opinion that the short courses and local leader projects are wonderful and are really the things that gain members. Interesting meetings also help. We think to have a dinner party once a year where the members have a good social time with the Institute paying half the cost, makes members feel that the Institute is not just something to give to all the time."

**Beechwood:** "We have our meetings in the evening and have a good attendance. We have the programme before the business part of the meeting."

**Delhi** asks "Could we have an exchange of ideas for raising funds for the Institute? (A very good idea. The editor would welcome such ideas to publish in Home and Country.)"

**Sunderland:** "Too much business keeps members away from the Institute and catering to too many suppers and trying to make too much money keeps people from joining."

**Tilsonburg:** "Previous to the annual meeting, conveners of standing committees meet and make out their reports; in this way reports do not overlap."

**Golden Gate** says "By asking each member to prepare a plan for a programme for a meeting for one month, we hope to find out what each one is interested in and to make the programme appealing to everyone."

**Sandhill:** "Why do branches receive so many letters asking for help? Could we have a 'Pool Fund' handled at a higher level, the branches contributing to this fund?"

**Classic** would like to have less correspondence to deal with and more time for programmes at meetings.

**South Smith:** "In our community close to the city we are going to have to get our new members from suburban dwellers and not from farm families so we are going to have to change our programmes accordingly."



Rosehill Women's Institute won first prize for this float in the Orangeville Santa Claus parade featuring nursery rhymes and Nativity scenes.