

**Laura Rose** had several panel discussions, one of them "Are religious holidays becoming too commercialized?"

Two of **Mill Creek's** good programme features were a librarian's talk on books and a farmer's views on vertical integration.

**Stamford** felt their talk on Mental Health with the film "The New Chapter" was outstanding.

**Welland City:** "A roll call 'What's Your Problem?' brought a lively discussion."

**Bechel:** An address on The Laws of the Courts and family legislation.

**Allardice:** A talk and film on conservation by a speaker from the local Conservation Authority.

**Hillsburg Auxiliary** had a debate "Resolved that television is detrimental to the growing child."

**Hillsburg** featured Current Events on several programmes.

**Drew** made a great improvement in their meetings by simplifying the lunch and starting one-half hour earlier.

**Moorefield** had a panel discussion on the community's needs, and as a result new washrooms were put in the township hall where their meetings are held.

When **Downey** members entertained their husbands at a meeting they had a debate: "Resolved that husbands should help their wives with the housework," two men taking the negative side.

**Eden Crest** visited a home where the woman does designing and printing of fabrics and saw a demonstration of this work.

One of **Royal's** most interesting features was a demonstration of planting and care of houseplants.

**Rockton** reports: "This year we studied the various organizations in the United Nations and feel we have a better understanding of the part our country plays in world politics. Also had an excellent address and films on development in Canada."

**Adelaide Hoodless** had an address by a doctor on the new drugs and their uses.

**Carluké,** a panel discussion on education by teachers, mothers and grandmothers.

**Aurora:** "Two of our meetings were preceded by a pot luck lunch. This brings the members out and everyone benefits socially and otherwise."

**Bogarttown** had a debate "Resolved that women today are better homemakers than the women of forty years ago." This must have been followed by a discussion for the report says "Everyone had a say before it was through."

**King Ridge:** A discussion "Are we as Canadians prejudiced against coloured people?" This gave members "a better understanding of the segregation problem in Canada."

**Temperanceville** is studying the provinces of Canada.

**Mark Vaun** enjoyed a demonstration of things made from a package of Tea Bisk.

**Unionville:** "What a woman should know about banking." Made a special study of the Canadian Association of Consumers' bulletins.

**Richview** mentions the Ontario Hydro's film on the St. Lawrence Seaway, the removal of villages and building of dams and power houses.

**Kleinburg and Nashville** at their Hallowe'en party had the husbands answer the roll call, "Why I like my wife to belong to the Women's Institute." They had a contest identifying baby pictures of those present.

### Community Activities

**Jasper:** "At the October meeting the Secondary School pupils were our guests and they supplied the programme. This, and our appreciation of the programme enhanced public relations with both the pupils and their parents."

**Merrickville** has done these neighborly services in the community: placed four radios in the Nursing Home, given financial assistance to newly organized Scouts and Guides, given relief to fire victims twice, provided transportation for a father and child to Ottawa hospital for special medical attention, helped an accident victim and a patient in the sanitarium.

**Shallow Lake** put tables and a new pump in the local park.

**Bothwell's Corners** gave an award for singing at the local fair. (We take it the Institute started this feature at the fair: anyway it might be a good idea for other branches to consider.) This Institute added to its funds as well as to the social life of the community by having parties in homes during the winter. **Walter's Falls** says: "We entertained the older people by having euchre parties in the winter evenings."

**Third Line** has four schools represented in the Institute membership and during the winter they held parties in the schools (one school at a time) for the whole community.

**Holland Centre** landscaped the ground around the community centre, the women doing a lot of the actual work. They bought new drapes and other equipment for the hall and sponsored a square dance competition which "netted them nearly \$100."

**Canfield** sponsored a community Hallowe'en party.

Mrs. Lorna Daniels, Vice Chairman, London Convention Area, presents Miss Aileen M. Selves, first-year student at Macdonald Institute, with the 1960 London Area Women's Institute Award of \$200 to assist with her studies.

