

ing" an Italian boy eight years old. We have had word that he is facing an eye operation and we feel that we may be of some help to him and his parents in this ordeal."

Sparrow Lake did not have a special international day but at the December meeting their three New Canadian members told how Christmas is celebrated in their native countries. Another member who had come from Germany went back for a visit and on her return gave a talk about Germany, with slides taken on her visit.

On **Bradford's** international program a local boy of Ukrainian background played several numbers on his piano-accordion; there was a paper on Australia and everyone sang "Waltzing Matilda."

Churchill reports that at their international meeting they sang the Hymn of All Nations and closed with a prayer for good international relations and peace. They gave pennies for friendship and in the coming year they plan to study the United Nations and to sponsor a child in the Save the Children crusade.

Gilford's International program was built on a study of A.C.W.W. A month in advance, each member was given the name of a member country and at the meeting she marked it on a large map of the world and told some interesting facts about it. The executive convened the meeting and one spoke on the history of A.C.W.W., one on its projects, one on the Country Women's Associations of Australia and the conference held there in 1962; another on A.C.W.W. relations with United Nations.

Thornton reports: "We did not have an International Day but we had our new Canadian members take part in our regular programs as often as possible."

Georgian reports taking part in a District pageant "The Oath of Allegiance, or A Day in Court" by New Canadians.

Pine Tree centred its international program around China. The lunch was of Chinese dishes and some of the ladies were in native dress. (Perhaps this Institute has some Chinese Canadian members. Ed.)

Avonmore had an address by the local member of Parliament on trade with Cuba and a paper by an Institute member on "What International Day Means to Me."

Dack reports: "We wrote to the A.C.W.W. office and got pen friends in the Women's Institutes in England, Scotland, Wales, Africa, Australia, Tasmania. We are enjoying the correspondence and the friendships and learning about the life and the rural women's organizations in these countries. We would recommend that others take advantage of the letter friend plan."

Stirling Lyons in Thunder Bay North, had an International meeting featuring Sweden. (It appears from the name of the hostess "Mrs. Boyko" that the meeting may have been held in the home of a Swedish Canadian. Ed.) The report says: "Many articles of interest from Sweden were shown such as an old Bible and Prayer Book, old clocks, porridge spoons, ships inside of bottles, old post cards, stamps, embroidered linens, hand woven material and bog-oak over 1,000 years old."

Bloomington had an address on the life of Jean Sibelius, composer of Finlandia, and all joined in singing the Hymn of All Nations to the tune of Finlandia. They also had an illustrated talk on Jamaica showing pictures of the Institute's "foster child" there. At another meeting they had an address on Conditions in India by a public health nurse from India who was working in the Kitchener-Waterloo hospital at the time.

Helena Feasby branch has something read from The Countrywoman, the A.C.W.W. paper, at each meeting.

Central Dumfries had a roll call, "If I had



At Ontario South's Achievement Day for 4-H Homemaking Clubs, the District President, Mrs. Cawker, at right, presents two of these girls with Provincial Honors, the rest with County Honor certificates.