

Briefs



Mrs. David McKay demonstrates zigzag sewing on a hospital dressing when, with other members representing Living Springs Institute, she presented a sewing machine to the Community Hospital Auxiliary President, Mrs. A. Paton, front row, right.

schooling. Here my family and I wish to thank you so very much for your kindness."

"My examination results were not very well, but I decided to work much harder this term. It will be a very serious term with lots of hard work, since when the term finishes we will have to face the Joint Secondary Entrance Examination. In Hong Kong each year there are millions of students of the age for entering secondary schools but since places are so limited, competition for admittance is terribly keen. I have been doing study and revision during the summer vacation besides helping my mother with the household chores."

Both the boy and his parents seem especially grateful for the Institute's help because it makes it possible for the children to go to school.



Tsang-Tin-Mei, another Hong Kong boy, also being sponsored for the fourth year by Oakland Institute.

(Above)

Chu - che - Keung, of Hong Kong, now being sponsored for the fourth year, through the Save the Children Fund, by Wilton Women's Institute.

(Below)



Mrs. W. T. Shortt, P.R.O. for Sidney South Women's Institute, reports that since the branch was organized four years ago they have sponsored all the 4-H Homemaking Club projects and several senior home economics extension services. During the past year some of their outstanding programs have featured Safety and Poison Control; demonstrations on hair dressing, freehand drawing and painting; a panel discussion on the history making personalities of Canada. The committee on historical research are compiling a Tweedsmuir History Book and sponsoring a centennial project of cleaning up and restoring an abandoned cemetery. Excerpts from the Canadian Consumers' paper are read and discussed at meetings. The Institute gave a donation to help the young men of the community get a soft ball team underway; and they take part in the program for the County Home and the county fair. For the past two years Christmas gifts have been given to a mental hospital for women. The agriculture and Canadian Industries committee arranged a bus trip to Ottawa to visit the Central Experimental Farm, the Mint and a session of Parliament. Mrs. Shortt concludes: "Our Institute is a social group working together to give pleasure and with a sincere interest in all things for the betterment of the community."

Mrs. Archie Simmons of Wilton Institute reports these international interests: "At our Canadianization meeting a lady who came from Holland seventeen years ago told us of 'The Differences and Similarities of Holland and Canada,' and showed us several articles, including some beautiful table linens she had brought from Holland. This proved to be interesting, educational and humorous. Our chief 'international' interest is Chu-che-Keung in Hong Kong, the child we are sponsoring through the Save the Children plan for the fourth year."

Mrs. Gerald Ripley writes: "Oakland Women's Institute has just forwarded funds for the fourth year to sponsor our 'foster son' Tsang-Tin-Mei in Hong Kong. He has five brothers and the family lives in a squatter's hut. His father earns the equivalent of fourteen Canadian dollars a month. Tin-Mei attends the St. Simon's Hostel, a school in Hong Kong."

The Women's Institutes of West Northumberland have established a fund to provide an annual scholarship for a 4-H Homemaking Club girl and they have named the scholarship in honor of Olive Deviney. Seven years ago Mrs. Deviney was presented with a branch