

life membership by her own Institute, Wicklow-Vernonville, in recognition of her many years of service to the branch and for her fine record as a club leader for over fifteen years. Mrs. Ralph Simpson, P.R.O. for Wicklow Vernonville Institute cites a long list of offices held by Mrs. Deviney in every level of Institute work from the branch to the convention area.

At the celebration of Joyceville Institute's thirtieth anniversary, life memberships were presented to two charter members, Mrs. H. H. Berry and Mrs. J. D. Greenlees.

Mrs. R. Jackson, P.R.O. for Claremont Institute, sends their interesting note about a meeting featuring historical research: "One of Claremont's oldest historic buildings was the setting for the meeting on historical research. The meeting was held in the attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ward. This substantial frame building had been brought from Greenwood one hundred and nine years ago. It has been used for many purposes throughout the years—post office, shoe store, telephone office, beauty parlor, butcher shop and now, besides being a home it is also a gift shop. Members and visitors at the meeting were eager listeners to the story of Claremont's past history. It is on record that a municipal meeting was held in 1811 and Claremont celebrated its centennial in 1938.

Following a course in Copper Tooling sponsored by Onondaga Institute in North Brant, the instructor from Home Economics Extension Service, Miss Isabel Leslie reported: "Mrs. Smoke, the curator of the Pauline Johnson Museum conceived the idea of making a plaque of Pauline Johnson's head. She has been

Mt. Elgin Women's Institute erected this Cairn to commemorate a public school that had served the locality from 1872 to 1954. Note the old school bell topping the stonework. From left to right: Mr. N. Patton, chairman of the area board of trustees; Mrs. George Rooke, President of Mt. Elgin Institute; Rev. Elwood Mitchell, a pupil of the old school; Mrs. G. Nagel, Institute convener of Historical Research.



looking for something that would be a real souvenir and could be sold at a reasonable price, so she is going to make some Pauline Johnson plaques to sell. Her husband is going to help her so she will have a supply on hand."

In the last issue of Home and Country it was reported that Gamebridge had bought a Porto Lift for the hospital as a memorial to a member Mrs. Speedie. Now we have a letter saying that, after this report had been sent to us, the hospital people decided that it would be better to have wheel chairs so the Institute gave the hospital three wheel chairs instead of the Porto Lift. This Institute has redecorated its hall "in memory of several members who have passed away in recent years." And a sum of money was given to the Institute to buy a memorial plaque. The plaque is of walnut with the Institute Crest and motto and bronze bars for inscription of the names of deceased members.

Streetsville Institute recently bought a copy of the book "The Encyclopedia of Art" by Eleanor C. Munro and presented it to the library for its reference department. It is reported that the book has aroused considerable interest.

Dawes Road Institute's main project for the year is to help two needy families. A smaller project last year was to make a variety of Christmas gifts and to send them to a Salvation Army Girls' Home.

Last year Walkerton Afternoon Institute gave citizenship awards to Grade VIII students in both the public and separate schools, and a Home Economics high standing award in Grade X. They also gave a prize for yeast dough baking at the Christmas fair and sent both goods and cash donations to the hospital. They have "adopted" a veteran in London Westminster hospital. The president, Mrs. E. W. Krampp adds this note: "At the turn of the century a man left several thousand dollars towards building a hospital in Walkerton; but there had to be an organization to sponsor it. So the women formed an Institute and got the ball rolling."

Mrs. Wm. G. Leigh, P.R.O. for Orilla Institute, reminds us that this branch is over fifty-six years old and still active. Every summer they operate a refreshment booth at Couchiching Park, members in turns working voluntarily through the afternoons and evenings, the proceeds going to provide things for the children's ward in the hospital. A year ago they gave the superintendent \$2400 to buy furniture . . . Among their donations to