

Home Pesticides Exhibit Available

The University of Guelph has prepared an exhibit on Home Pesticides which will be loaned to any Women's Institute wishing to borrow it.

The exhibit is three by four feet in size when opened to form a back and two side wings, and could be placed on a table for easy viewing. When closed for transportation it measures three feet by two feet with the exhibit material completely enclosed. It could be carried conveniently in a car.

This exhibit should be a valuable help in the Institute's current Safety study on Poisons. Anyone wishing to borrow it should write to Mr. Max Kurp, Exhibit Extension, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ont.

Among **Zenda's** best program features were a talk by an authority on old glass and china and a talk by a member who assists with the County Travelling Library service.

Crumlin toured a local cheese factory and found it interesting. They comment "An insight into local businesses and their problems is vital today."

Salem Nilestown appreciates a brief summary of the Consumer's Association of Canada's bulletin at each meeting.

Thorndale mentions two special features: A talk by a local interior decorator and a debate "Resolved that a farm of 200 acres or more is more practical than a farm of 100 acres or less."

Belfountain lists three talks of special interest on their year's program: "The Role of Women in the Home, the Community, the Nation and the World"; "Protecting the Nation's Food Supply" and an explanation of the Food and Drugs Act—these by the county home economist; and "Preserving Our Heritage" by a member of the Ontario Historical Society.

At one of **Inglewood's** meetings the roll call was required to be answered in a language other than English.

Sandhill says that they put aside money from catering at the Plowing Match and used it to buy cakes, tarts and materials for sandwiches for their fiftieth anniversary party, "so that for once in her lifetime no member would have to bring food for this special event."

Derry West says: "For our December meeting we divided our members into four groups according to the season of their birthdays, and each group presented a fifteen minute program. We called this our Four Seasons Variety Night."

Athlone's December roll call was answered by presenting a toy to go to the children's ward of the nearest hospital. There were two demonstrations at this meeting, one on table centres and one on making Christmas candles.

Elmhurst reports: "The film on 'Cancer of the Cervix' for women only was exceptionally good along with information on a test for this type of cancer, a test that can be given in the

doctor's office . . . We felt that we got a great deal out of discussions on such subjects as: 'Should divorce laws be changed?' and 'Your views on capital punishment.' Members met in small discussion groups for ten minutes and reported their findings to the whole meeting. Then everyone joined in the discussion."

Lily Dempsey branch found their discussion on education for both children and adults particularly interesting. Two members started the discussion, or presented questions to be discussed, then everyone took part in the discussion.

Shakespeare had a talk by their country home economist on herbs and spices and they are now using more of these in their cooking.

Milverton Juniors had a provincial policeman speak and show films on safety.

Hall's Glen sends the reminder that the film "A Day's Poisons" can be obtained from any doctor.

Keene says: "We think our September meeting with a supper, to which each member brings a 'senior citizen' is a high light of the year."

Warsaw's program included the mottoes: "Keep smiling: the whole world is taking your picture"; "A good mother is worth a hundred school masters"; "Money: spend some, give some, save some"; "Be quick to see what is good and slow to see what is evil."

Lookout says: "The film 'One Day in Poison Control Centre' alerted us about where to store detergents and other household supplies containing poison out of reach of children; and taught us to check articles not clearly labelled in medicine chests."

Greenlane recommends the film on cancer, "The Million Club" and the film "The Quality of a Nation" based on the theme of the centennial.

Hillier and Ameliasburg Junior Institute had two high school teachers speak and lead discussions on "Family Living." The girls also report an interesting discussion on "The Role of Canadian Women in rural society." The secretary adds: The county director at the first meeting of the season stressed our duty as junior farmers and junior institute members