

that number on her strip gets the article. She cannot win on that number again but of course she can buy more than one strip.

Another method is a Dutch auction. In this case there is one larger article. Tickets are sold at five or ten cents, whatever has been agreed on. Each person bids always in multiples of five or ten. One person might bid five cents, ten, fifteen, twenty and so on each time paying only a nickel or a dime and keeping track of the number. A ticket has been placed on the parcel and the one who happens to bid that particular number wins the article for his or her five or ten cents. It is noisy but fun.

We like a silent auction where small donated articles are placed on a table. Paper and pencils are available. You write your name and your bid on a piece of paper and place it under the article. Then two people check the bids and declare the highest bidder who picks it up with her bid, takes it to the secretary and pays for it. It is quiet and you pay just what you think it is worth to you.

Another Child Sponsoring Experience

By Mrs. Floyd Gray

OUR FOSTER CHILD, Rachele David, who lives in Athens, Greece, has been sponsored by our Institute, Fairgrove, and three others, Lansdowne, Junetown and Lyn since the child sponsoring project was started by the Ontario Women's Institutes in 1962. Rachele's older sister has studied English so we correspond with her in English. Also, the daughter of one of our members visited the David family while she was teaching in Europe so we feel we know her quite well. Here are parts of her last two letters:

"I like to look at the snow when I am warmly dressed. In Greece we have snow only on the very high mountains but in the city is very cold. Here is cold now and at home is very bad because there is no heating. That is why I stay in bed to study; is better there.

"Thank you very much for your last letter and for the birthday money. I did not decide yet what I am going to buy because I need so many things. Maybe a pair of shoes or a warm dress. Thank you anyhow again. God bless you!

"I am very interested in starting English lessons so that within some months I'll be able to write to you directly in English. I went and inquired about the conditions and my mother said we cannot afford the fees. I wonder if the organization could help me to learn the language because I want it very much. I will

Rachele David of Greece, who has been sponsored since 1962 through the Save the Children plan by the Institute's Fairgrove, Lansdowne, Junetown and Lyn.



be greatly thankful to you or any mother who will help me.

"On the day of Pourim we had a holiday at school. I danced a lot of dances, Russian, Mexican, Greek and Hebrew.

"Thank you very much for the dress you are going to send me. I am dreaming of the day that I shall put it on me. Please say to the other mothers, "hello" from me and my best regards. Many kisses from me and my family, Rachele."

We sent Rachele a Christmas parcel and received this touching letter from her sister:

"All these days Rachele lived a dream. All these nice things for her. It was a warm happiness that she never had before. Her face was smiling and her eyes full of joyous tears when we opened the two packages and saw the wonderful things. We were so afraid that in this New Year's Day nothing would give us a hope. Nothing would change our mood and the hope came in these gifts of affection in these nice little papers, in every opening a surprise. Everything was nice and useful. I want to write many things but my English does not permit me to express myself. I'll ask you to give our warmest regards and thanks to everybody."

I think you will agree that Sarrah's English is very good. A couple of years ago, Sarrah married and moved to India where her husband is working. It is harder now for her to translate our letters to Rachele, so I am hoping our Institutes can help Rachele with English lessons.

Honeydale's International Day

By Mrs. Sam Cawker

MEMBERS OF MYRTLE BRANCH were invited to be the guests at our Honeydale Institute's International Meeting and to take part in the program. As a result, two members of the Myrtle Institute presented a brief history of Institute work in the province of Saskatchewan, which was very interesting.