

We visit with him and send him cards and small gifts — at Christmas time we sent a gift of clothing. There has been a change in his mental condition. He seems much better."

Echo Bay gave a turkey supper to the local volunteer firemen and their wives.

By holding a pot luck dinner and euchre, **Onondaga** raised \$90 to buy hockey sweaters for the senior pupils of the local school.

Paris Plains had a speaker from the Retarded School Association, provided stuffed toys for the pre-school children and sent used Christmas cards for the adults in the sheltered workshop. The cards are used to make gift cards to sell.

Arkwright worked with other groups in the community to arrange a centennial celebration for the local school.

Mount Hope (Centre Bruce) sent Christmas gifts to the children in an Indian school in the township.

Malcolm, as part of its community activities, reports lectures (open to the community, we presume, Ed.) on horticulture, safety and health.

Mildmay, instead of holding a regular meeting in December, entertained the senior citizens of the community at a Christmas party.

Adamsville has an annual turkey supper for the community, with everyone contributing and attending. They find that this "keeps the community spirit alive."

Armow helped the local cemetery board to restore the old pioneer cemetery.

Purple Grove says: "Our community bought a local school when it closed in June; but the Women's Institute was behind the community to do the asking, etc." The Institute arranged a picnic for the children on the last day of school and a reunion for the old pupils.

Whitechurch members support the local recreation committee in their program of sports for the young people. They sponsor bus trips for the community, assist with the travelling library, have euchre parties for the older people, send remembrances to the sick, sponsored two 4-H Homemaking Clubs this year and had well planned monthly programs.

Greely Manotick Station has done a lot of local relief work this year — gave food to two families in need, a quilt to a burned out family, eighteen baskets to the sick and shut-in at Christmas time, and a donation of money to Smith's Falls hospital for retarded children.

"As a result of association with the Food Research Council," **Ramsayville** carried out a food survey with dried turnips" for the Food Research Institute, Ottawa.

Honeywood entertained the 4-H Homemaking Club girls' mothers and grandmothers and gave a silver tray to a girl who had completed nineteen projects.

Mansfield sponsored swimming classes for children.

Ruskview arranged a dance for the evening of their school reunion, and invited all the former citizens of the community they could locate.

Shelburne served at the Annual Fiddlers' Contest. They sponsor an afternoon euchre each week for elderly people — these are very popular. And they assisted the Legion to put heavy wiring in their hall, gave a donation towards artificial ice for the rink, bought scales for the small local hospital.

Hereward paid \$300 to help in developing the new community park.

Laurel became an incorporated body and bought the township hall for a community centre as their centennial project. **Elma** says: "We bought the Elma school house to hold meetings in."

Winchester has made its first payment on a pledge of one thousand dollars over a three-year period towards a community swimming pool.

Chesterville paid for special tuition for a pupil in the public school, and for dentistry for a boy requiring major tooth repair.

Bowmanville has put two coffee tables and a lighted podium in their new town library. This is a centennial project — "a little early," the secretary says, "but they are needed now." The Institute members visited the School for Crippled Children and later gave the school some needed equipment.

When rabies was found in some animals in the area, **Kendal** had a program on rabies and what to do if a child or an animal comes in contact with an animal with rabies. The Institute tried to get people to have their pets vaccinated.

Lyons says: A paper on Safe Driving Habits resulted in a petition for and finally the

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ALL NATURE'S MOODS

By Patience Strong

Along the roofs the woodsmoke blows.
The ripe fruit falls, the swallow goes.
The trees turn russet in the lane.
The last rose at the cottage pane
Lingers over her goodbye
Beneath a grey and grieving sky.

I'll not lament it or complain,
But welcome winter once again
And learn to love from day to day
All Nature's moods, both grim and gay:
The bite of frost, the sun's warm glow,
The strident wind, the quiet snow;
And so discover, come what may,
The beauty of each passing day.

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