

Highlights of Farewell Party

On Wednesday evening, board members were invited, via hand-painted centennial symbols, to the Common Room for the graduation party of the nine retiring senior and one junior board directors. Avid camera fans were busy at the reception line, a bevy of beauties in quaint, colorful and sophisticated centennial gowns, first greeted the guests including Mrs. Anna Ewen and Dr. M. McCready. Great scurrying followed to get everyone's autograph, the prize being a leather book-mark, hand-tooled with a quotation from the Mary Stewart Collect.

Chairman for the evening's program was Mrs. R. W. Yungblut. Accompanied by Mrs. J. W. Trimble, the centennial gals entertained with songs including a parody on "The Old Gray Mare", humorous readings and contests with the winners receiving prizes. Colored slides of home scenes and farther afield in our province, were also shown.

If a prize for the best "sport" had been awarded, it would undoubtedly have been given to Miss Barbara Watkins for her active participation during the evening as she took the place of the absent retiring junior director. Buffet table refreshments served at the close of the happy evening were centred by a beautiful centennial cake.

Notes of Note

Mrs. L. R. Trivers, Past President, and her family were the featured 4-H family in recent issue of Junior Farmer's Magazine.

June 17th is Women's Institute day at Expo.

Mrs. Rand, Area Vice-President of A.C.-W.W., complimented Ontario on being active in securing additional contributing members.

An advised study for every woman, "Laws which pertain to women" can be obtained by writing to Mrs. L. Beecherman, Provincial Department of Labour, and enclosing 25c.

An informative skit on the proper ratification by board members of the branch district directors was presented by Mrs. Austin Zoeller, Moderator, Mrs. J. W. Trimble, Mrs. Keith Johnston, Mrs. Stanley Bride and Mrs. C. E. Pink.

All conveners should keep a file of materials pertaining to their office and pass it on to their successors.

Due to rising cost prices the list of items available from F.W.I.O. office was revised as of January 1, 1967. (A revised price list appears in this issue of Home and Country. Editor.)

Membership cards are available. Write for them.

All Institute books must be audited. Branch books are to be closed as of March 31st; District, April 30th; and Area, 31st of August.

A centennial scrapbook being distributed in schools lists 1897 — the founding of the Women's Institute.

Twenty-one District, County or Area Scholarships were ratified, each of \$100 value.

The name of Mrs. Adelaide Hoodless has been accepted by the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame Association. Each member of this Association has privilege of nominating someone with particular emphasis on his or her contribution to agriculture. The name of Erland Lee had been proposed and board members voted to write the Association asking for reconsideration of his name.

A number of board members who had not visited Adelaide Hoodless Home motored over on Tuesday night.

F.W.I.O. will hold its 1967 annual board meeting in Toronto, November 21-24 inclusive.

Mrs. Small expressed appreciation to all for their untiring efforts and her regrets at the realization that nine board directors would not be among the directorate in the fall. Mrs. H. Cooper commented, "We got a lot more out of it than we put into it", as the Spring Board Meeting was adjourned.

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WHAT IS A SMILE?

"It costs nothing but creates much.

It enriches those who receive it, without impoverishing those who give it.

It happens in a flash and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.

None are so rich they can get along without it — and none are so poor but they are richer for its benefits.

It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business and is the countersign of good friends.

It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and nature's best antidote — for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, it cannot be begged, it cannot be borrowed and it cannot be stolen, for it is something that is personal to anybody until it is given away.

And, if it ever happens that some people are too tired to give you a smile, why not leave one of yours?

For nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give."

And so

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A small minded man weighs what can hinder him,
And fearful dares not set to work.

Difficulties cause the average man to leave off
What he has begun.

A truly great man does not slacken
In carrying out what he has begun
Although obstacles tower thousandfold
Until he has succeeded.

Indian Wisdom