



This Bridge Was Built By a Pioneer Mother.

Pleasant View Branch has for a few years followed the pleasant custom of devoting their June meeting to visits to noteworthy places in their area. This year their visit was to an interesting bridge in the Vandeleur Area. This bridge was built by a pioneer mother to span a creek which divided a farm.

On one side of the creek was a maple bush and in the maple syrup season the valuable syrup was brought back to the farm home by way of fallen logs over the creek. However, on one trip the precious syrup was spilled accidentally into the creek. The mother then decided that a permanent bridge must be made. Over the years through her efforts flat limestone rocks from various places on the farm were moved to the site and the bridge was started. Today it stands sixty feet long and wide enough for a team of horses to cross over. It was so constructed that spring floods have never disturbed it and stands as a memorial to the ingenuity and hard work of a courageous pioneer mother.

Members of the Utoke Branch of the Women's Institute, South Wellington District, depicting the progress of the Women's Institutes from 1897 to the year 2000. Front, left to right — Mrs. John Freeman, Mrs. C. W. Maltby, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Roy McCartney. Back, left to right—Mrs. E. J. Walker, Mrs. Stanley Hewitson, Miss Connie Atkinson, Mrs. L. J. Bechtel, Mrs. Norman Campbell, Mrs. Jack Checkley (the woman of the future). Absent was Mrs. Alan Blyth, pianist and producer of the musical skit.

Maple Valley — Roll call — “What effect has advertising on our children?”

Union St. — A speaker said, “Some people think the world owes them a living, but it should be — the world owes a person the opportunity to make a living.”

Belfountain Rockside — Over fifty pupils from the local school were invited to a Women's Institute meeting. Here they were taken on a trip to Trinidad and Tobago via colour slides and movies. They were told of the effects of the trade winds on the temperature and climate, as well as pictures of flowers, plants, and birds in their native environment.

Avonton — Members of this branch attended a morning session of a magistrate's court. Later they toured a Justice Building.

Thornloe — Motto — Bread is the symbol of Home, Hope and Hospitality.

Morewood — The convener of Citizenship and Education chose the topic, “Hobbies in Other Countries” for her meeting program. She introduced New Canadians from Latvia, the Netherlands and Italy.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Nelles Corners — Roll Call: “How I publicized the Women's Institute last year.”

Bowen Road — A speaker used as his topic “Good Publicity and Advertising.” The motto for this meeting was “If it pays to advertise, how do I advertise the Women's Institute?”

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In this world of ours, that which matters most is not what happens to the outside of things, but what happens to the inside of people.

Walter Russell Bowie

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“There are two kinds of fools. One says, ‘This is old therefore it is good.’ The other says, ‘This is new, therefore it is better.’”

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