

off with cheeses and coffee was served. The menu was placed on the tables which had an outlined Maple Leaf on the cover while along the tables were programmes of the Hosting Institute.

Mrs. Millie Graham of Cambridge-Galt, Ontario had made the arrangements with her pen pal of more than 20 years, Mrs. Aileen Friend. It was they, that had made our visit possible to Canada Hall. It was they, that had "put into action their better impulses straightforward and unafraid."

A short programme consisting of a welcome by the President, the History of Canada Hall by the secretary, greetings from Mrs. Irene Vainex of Kenley W.I. of about ten miles from Menzham and who is on Press and Publicity for the A.C.W.W. and Mrs. Paddy Martin who organized the Canada Hall W.I. These two ladies are called V.C.O.'s (Voluntary County Organizers). Peggy in her usual gracious manner responded and presented to the President another Waterloo Maple Gavel which was tied with our Blue and Gold Colours. Mrs. V. Stevens waved it happily above her head when she received it.

We then dispersed to the many homes in the town to visit and chat until well after midnight admiring the gardens and their treasures.

The next morning our hostesses accompanied us to the bus, clinging affectionately to our friendship until the very last minute of our stay, when inside and outside the bus, we joined hands to sing Auld Lang Syne.

Tears welled into all our eyes as we waved goodbye from the bus to those clustered on the street and remembered a line of the Mary Stewart Collect "May we strive to touch and know the great human heart common to us all."

To think how all of these Institutes had planned for over a year for our visit, the billering, the food, the help—and all the little details, we really were The Honoured Women's Institute Guests of our English Counterparts. They illustrated to the fullest: "And O Lord God Let us not Forget to be Kind!"



Double Anniversary celebrated. Middlesex West District Annual meeting, members observe the 80th anniversary since the founding of the first Woman's Institute and 75 years since Stratford Women's Institute was organized. Cutting anniversary cake: L-R District President, Mrs. Joe Holly; Miss Ethel Bycraft, Branch President 1912-15; and Stratford President, Mrs. Clifford Wardell.



Long Point WI celebrate 25th Anniversary with Life Membership presentation being presented by L-R Mrs. Douglas Foster, President Norfolk South District to Mrs. Cyril Wright, President; Mrs. John Knechtel and Mrs. Frank Hodges both Past Presidents.

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Vandorf WI celebrated 70th with Sheila Richardson, President, granddaughter of first President Mrs. Albert van Nostrand, in the chair.

Mrs. Geo. Richardson, Mother-in-law of President received a life membership. One of her many branch contributions was in the compilation of the Two-volume History Book. Guests were present from the District as well as former members.



Vandorf WI display quilt made by members. During 70th Anniversary special guests present L-R Mrs. Richardson, President; Miss Helen Hunter, Incoming District President; Mrs. Roy Smith, District President; Miss Bob McChoughan, Home Economist.



NEEDLEPOINT North Simcoe District held two Summary Days one in Etimuk with 225 attending and another in Quilme with an attendance of 125. One of the many displays is by Dalton WI.