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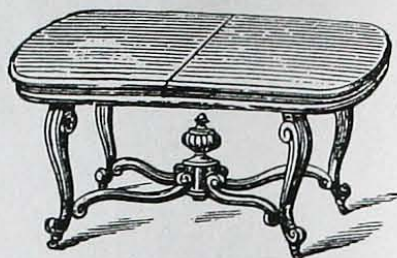
TALE OF A KITCHEN TABLE

By Elsie Houston

When I was married in 1939 and started housekeeping, my late husband, Harvey, bought a dining room table with four extension boards at an auction sale in Paisley. Later, the table was replaced and moved to the Women's Institute Hall owned by the Kinloss-Kairshea Branch.

Last year, our Branch sold the Hall. Its contents were auctioned among our members. One of our newer members bought the table for \$450. She intended on refinishing the table and using it in her farm home.

Because I am a charter and life member of our Branch, as well as former owner of the table, I asked to have the privilege of spend-



ing the \$450. Donations were given to the FWIO Headquarters Fund, the Centennial History Book and the Bruce County Museum. I was extremely pleased that these Women's Institute projects benefitted from the sale of that old table.

Submitted by Elsie Houston, Kinloss-Kairshea WI, Bruce South District.

Where have all the flowers gone?



A Memory Garden was created by the Greenwood Women's Institute in Renfrew North. Inspired by the death of one of their valued, young members, the Garden was to be a lasting memory to those from the community who have passed on. Armed with hoes, rakes, snippers and a lot of enthusiasm, this small group of ladies collected garbage, pruned dead and broken branches and weeded and trimmed the grass.

They realized their dream of creating a Garden of Eden would take years to accom-

plish, but the initial undertaking included a rainbow of annuals for all to enjoy. They were well on their way to creating a small piece of scenic paradise near the Hazley Bay Canal. That is, until the pretty annuals vanished! All were carefully removed with enough top soil to transplant somewhere else! After this story was published in the local paper, many people have visited the site and actually "dug" right in planting perennials and bulbs. Members of the Greenwood WI are grateful for this support. They remain undaunted and will continue to pursue their dream of a Memory Garden.

Submitted by Sharon Cotnam, Greenwood WI, Renfrew North District.

Winning Tulips



The Laura Rose Women's Institute were recipients of 400 tulip bulbs, which were planted at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead in St. George. These bulbs were won through a national contest announced in *Canadian Living* magazine. The contest celebrated the 50th anniversary of the first gift of 100,000 tulips given to Canada by Princess Juliana of The Netherlands. The tulip garden is one of 200 identical gardens being planted coast-to-coast as living symbols of the bond of friendship that exists between Canada and The Netherlands. What better place to plant a friendship garden than at the homestead of Adelaide Hunter, organizer of the Women's Institute.

Submitted by Pamela Gillespie, President, Laura Rose WI, Waterloo North.