

### The 40th Anniversary

Belmont Women's Institute of East Peterborough celebrated its 40th birthday on Thursday, November 17, 1955 in the township hall. Centre of attraction was a large cake iced with coloured roses and the words "B.W.I., 40th Anniversary" within a heart of pink icing. Surrounding the cake were quantities of good food, cooked as only members of a women's institute can cook.

Thirty institute members were present, including four charter members, Mrs. H. Tinney, Mrs. W.E. Anderson, Mrs. Geo. Smith, and Mrs. Geo. Hartin. Immediately after the hearty meal, the ladies gathered around an old pot-bellied stove that was giving off a healthy one-sided heat. They sipped tea while listening to Mrs. George Rigby of Havelock Women's Institute, and her daughter, Mrs. W.H. Sparks (Edna) who has just returned from Germany. The speakers' topic was "things seen and unseen in women's institutes".

The 1955 executive consists of the following:

President, Mrs. Horace King; Vice-presidents, Mrs. Ray Outwater, Miss Nellie Davidson; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Arnold Daffoe; Pianists, Mrs. W. Anderson, Mrs. C. Jones; Press Reporter, Mrs. J.E. Cornell; District Director, Mrs. G. Hartin; Alternate District Director, Mrs. G. Wright; Directors, Mrs. B. Vanzickle, Mrs. A. Keene, Mrs. C. Jones.

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