

Bruce-North District W.I.

May 11
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The Bruce North Women's Institutes held a church service commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Federated Women's Institutes at St. John's United Church, Warton last Sunday.

The service was well attended and most of the Institutes were represented.

Reverend Lorne Keays welcomed the members and touched briefly on the origin and aims of the organization.

The aim of the Women's Institutes is to develop a more abundant life by encouraging better homemaking practices, helping to develop happier and more useful citizens, discovering and stimulating leadership and encouraging the appreciation of the things near at hand. Those responsible for the original idea built better than they knew for from that one small branch the organization has grown to a membership of 6,500,000 in 64 countries of the world. To-day, the Women's Institutes are concerned with the problems of human beings and their relationships in a rapidly changing world, where distances are diminishing and the problems of one nation have a bearing upon many others, and with the great social and economic problems confronting women everywhere with the ensuing difficulties of harmonizing home and community life. The international organization of the Women's Institutes is the Associated Country Women of the World and its purpose is to further international relations in every way, consistent with the aims of the organization.

The sermon was "An Anniversary - A Challenge for the Future."

After the service a luncheon was served in the Church basement.

A thank you is extended to all the members who attended and to all the Institutes for helping with the lunch and to the board of managers of St. John's United Church.

Bervie WI recalls businesses

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The Bervie WI meeting was held in the hall Nov. 3. The meeting was opened by president Elsie Schuler with the poem, *In Flanders Fields*. The roll call, a memory of a local business of years gone by, was given by nine members. The minutes and financial reports were given, as was a report on another successful Bazaar and Tea. Winners of the draws were Audrey McDonald, Norma

Hartwick and Irene McKinnon. Sylvia Hasbury gave a good report on the rally and the convention.

Our original Tweedsmuir Books have been donated to the Kincardine library archives.

Mildred Griffith read a poem, *Little Red Flowers* by Jim Hall. She then took us down memory lane, reading about different stores and businesses that used to be in the Kincardine

area. It brought back a lot of old memories as there are not too many of these old businesses around now.

The meeting closed with grace and the Queen. Lunch was served by Norma Hartwick and Hazel Jean McLelland.

The Dec. 1 Christmas meeting is a potluck dinner at noon with a gift exchange. New members are always welcome.

Bervie WI hears talk on roses

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The Bervie WI meeting opened in the usual manner. Elsie Schuler, president, gave a reading *Which Person Am I?* The roll call, your favourite flower, was given by 11 members and one guest.

The correspondence was read, and a thank you note from Wilda Thompson for receiving a card at Christmas. She also won one of the draws at our Bazaar.

The FWIO wants each institute to send the names of its youngest member and the oldest member with the most years attending WI. Members over 80 years of age can pay membership at a reduced fee if they submit their age to the secretary.

Card parties start March 15. It has been un-

derstood that the fee for most card parties at other places has been raised, so ours will also be \$3.

It was decided to quilt another quilt for Participation Lodge. Ideas on what to do for the Rose program were discussed.

The meeting was turned over to Maureen Murray who gave a talk on Hardy Roses. Prizes

were won by Emily Bushell and Hazel Jean McLelland.

The meeting closed with the Queen and Grace, and lunch was served by Mildred Griffith and Norma Hartwick.

Our annual meeting will be held April 7 at our hall, with a potluck dinner beginning at noon and the meeting to follow.

Bervie news

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Birthday celebrated at family picnic

George and Marion Arnold of Bobcaygeon visited with Bob and Marguerite Percival lately.

Audrey Johnston and Evelyn Fischer of Teeswater and Mary Huber of Barrie had dinner with Margaret and Ron Harkness on Friday.

We are sorry Jean Colwell of Kincardine broke her arm. We hope she has a complete recovery.

Russ Stevenson was in Kincardine hospital and a London hospital. We all wish him better health, too.

Bob and Marguerite Percival recently visited in Ottawa with their daughter Valerie, her husband Shawn, and their new son, Owen

Benjamin. This is their third grandson.

Margaret Harkness spent Saturday afternoon with Audrey Johnston, Mary and Shirley Huber and Michelle Livingston and new baby, all of Barrie.

Hope and Dale McCrostie and Mildred Griffith visited Hazel Jean McLelland Thursday evening.

A family picnic was held at the lake on Sunday to celebrate Dean Campbell's birthday. Happy belated birthday Dean, from all of us!

Nell and Richard Murphy of Mississauga spent the holiday weekend with Wilda Thompson.