

Colpo Bay W.I.

A large percentage of our members and one new member, Mrs. James Swift, turned out for our February meeting which was held in the W.I. Community Hall.

Miss Gladys Parke chaired the meeting and Mrs. S. R. Richardson read the minutes, Treasurer's report and correspondence. Mrs. Bruce Stephens is to be our delegate to the Officers' Conference in March.

Mrs. Ronald Wenham read an interesting article on Hydroponics. It is most probable that we will see more and more of this method of growing vegetables used as our farm lands are taken over for commercial and residential building.

Mrs. Alec Caudle read an article from the Farmer's Advocate, dated October 24, 1929, on the building of our hall, which was started in June 1927.

Mrs. James Coyne entertained us with an illustrated talk on Manitoba. Her first home, soon after she came to Canada in 1946, was in Fort Churchill, where her husband was the Commanding Officer. The family return to Manitoba each summer where they have a cottage at The Pas. Her slides covered a wide variety of subjects from the Legislative Building in Winnipeg the beauties of the Northland and an Indian Pow Wow. After the talk someone remarked that it was a little easier to understand now why the Coyne's are drawn away from the Bruce Peninsula once a year.

After the meeting, tea was served by the hostesses. There will be a meeting of the standing committee on February 21st.

Colpoys W.I. meet

At the regular meeting of the Colpoys Bay Institute held June 13th, the members were advised that two grants have been received from the Federal Government towards the renovations to the Colpoys Bay Community Hall, \$6,335 from the Ministry of Employment and Immigration to employ four workers under the Young Canada Works Programme and \$9,934 from the Ministry of Health and Welfare for materials, furniture and equipment for facilities for the New Horizons Group. The Colpoys Bay Women's Institute, the New Horizons Group and the Tennis Club have co-operated to produce the remaining funds to make this project possible. Work will commence on the 25th of June and run to 31st August. Working on the project will be Andrew Dempsey of Warton as Project Manager, John Hackett of Shallow Lake, Perry Selgrist of Allenford and Tim Pascal of Berford Lake. They will be working under the guidance of Mr. Fred Daykin, Mr. Sidney Richardson and Mr. Ron Gatis.

Mrs. Victor McElrea, who was presiding, advised the members the next meeting would be September 6th due to the Area Convention being held September 11th and 12th in Southampton. The delegates to the Convention will be Mrs. McElrea and Mrs. Sidney Dunn.

A Craft and Bake Sale will be held on the 21st of July, commencing at 2 p.m. in the Community Hall.

A recommendation was made by the Board of Management that a Fund be established to commemorate the dedication and work of Mrs. Stella Whicher Gatis for the Women's Institute in both the Branch and District and as a Provincial Board Director. This recommendation was accepted and a decision made to erect new entrance doors with this Fund. Donations to this Fund may be sent to Mrs. Sidney Dunn, R.R. 5, Warton. Mrs. T. Donaldson provided us with a contest on soaps and detergents and the members then enjoyed a pot luck supper.

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Mr. Michael Armstrong, working under a grant to the Conservation Authority, Ministry of Natural Resources, gave a delightful illustrated talk on the wild flowers of the Bruce Peninsula. Most of the slides, about fifty in all, are the property of Mrs. Carol Rolf who kindly lent them to Mr. Armstrong. These ranged from the first to make their appearance in the spring, the Trailing Arbutus, Hepatica, to the last ones in the Fall - Queen Anne's Lace, Jewel Weed, Milk Weed and the Cardinal Flower.

The meeting opened in the usual manner, Miss Louise Robertson, Mrs. Sydney Dunn, and Mrs. Jack Avis.

Mrs. Sydney Dunn will be our voting delegate to the convention being held at the Southampton Coliseum. The Rally takes place on October 19th at the Sauble Beach Community Centre. Mr. Larry Marshall will be the speaker.

There will be a course in bread making in Warton October 24th and October 25th. Mrs. Jack Avis and Mrs. James Coyne will take the course, and will then give it in Colpoys Bay.

The New Horizon's Group will hold a euchre at the Community Hall, October 31st at 8 p.m. The tickets will be \$1.00.

Our branch took fourth place at the Fall Fair, but several of our members received first and second place for their crafts.

Mrs. Victor McElrea led in a sing-song and tea was served by the hostesses.

Colpo Bay W. I. Meets

Mrs. Alan Whicher and Mrs. Carl Whicher kindly offered their homes again as our meeting places for December and January.

Both meetings were most enjoyable with a good turnout of members and friends.

Four new members were introduced, Mrs. G. W. Hotham, Mrs. H. W. Wilson, Mrs. R. G. Foote and Mrs. Fred Huizer. This brings our total membership to thirty-one.

At the December meeting, Mrs. Margaret Schlechta gave a very interesting talk on Christmas in Germany and the Austrian Alps. Carols were sung and Miss Anne Whicher delighted us with renditions on the piano and then on the flute. A sale of articles and food, supplied by the members, brought in a total of \$62.00.

At our January meeting, Mrs. Margaret McElrea gave an interesting talk on the history of the Colpoys Bay Church, which was built one hundred years ago this summer.

Mrs. Malcolm Lennox enlarged on the motto, "Waste not,

want not", which certainly gave us something to think about.

The next meeting will be held in the Community Hall, 12th February, at 2.00 p.m. On 13th, February, a course in "Choosing and Using Fabrics" will be given at the Community Hall by the Dept. of Agriculture and Food. The course will start at 10.00 a.m. and run until 4.00 p.m. Those attending must bring their own lunch. Everyone is welcome and further details may be obtained from Mrs. Jack Avis 534-0151 or Mrs. John M. Thom 534-2990.

Colpo Bay Sept. '78

The September meeting of the Colpoys Bay Women's Institute took place in the Community Hall. Our president, Miss Louise Robertson in the chair. The roll call was answered by most of the members naming a cultural activity in the Grey-Bruce area. The minutes and the treasurer's report were read by Mrs. Sydney Dunn.

Mrs. Kenneth Couch led a sing song. Reports were given by Miss Annice Lucas on the Gateway Haven picnic, Miss Dorothy McRae, the Sunshine Committee and Mrs. Robt. Foote on the Consumer's Magazine. Miss Gladys Parke announced that the Bruce North District is going to hold a Calico Ball on October 20th at 8:30 p.m. at the Arena. The fee will be \$1.00 per person. All are welcome.

Miss Louise Robertson commented on the bake sale and thanked those members and non members who had contributed to its success.

Mrs. Jack Avis gave an excellent talk on Education and Cultural Activities. Mrs. Avis told us that she had often wondered why these two had been grouped together and realized that what we learn both formal and from our families, our morals, our beliefs, our customs, art, literature, our crafts become our culture.

The meeting ended by repeating our Grace and tea was served.