

WALKERTON EVENING INSTITUTE.

In Feb. 4th, 1947, the Young Women's Institute of the District of East Bruce was organized by Mrs L.G. Crozier, Mrs W.A. Tolton, District Director, Mrs W.H. McBurney, president of the Walkerton Women's Institute. The first officers were Mrs Norman Crozier president, vice-president, Mrs W.C. Schmidt and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs Chester Cunningham.

It was decided to be called "Young Women's Evening Institute. Seven ladies were present for the organization. The first meeting was called for Feb. 11th, 1947, with 21 present at the I.O.D.E. room in the Town Hall.

At the May meeting Mrs Lloyd Cartwright was elected to the office of Secretary-treasurer. Only the president and secretary turned up for the September meeting. Fee was 25¢ until April 1949, and then up to 50¢

Meetings were held every second Wednesday of the month until March 1949, then every second Tuesday. Meetings were held in the I.O.D.E. room until January 1948, then the first meeting in a home was at Mrs Charles McNaughtons.

Collection was first taken up June, 1948. First press reports were put in the local paper, The Walkerton Herald, in November, 1948, by Miss Nora Crozier.

First programmes were printed in 1949-50. Each member had to pay 25¢ to pay for having them printed. Penny post cards were sent to remind the members of meetings until March, 1951, when they started telephoning.

Oldest members of our group are 1947--Mrs Wallace Nelson, Mrs Ray Taylor, Mrs George McGregor. 1948-49--Miss Bertha Walker, Mrs John Wilcox, Mrs Med. Carter, Mrs Harry Jermyn, Mrs Alex. Seigfried, Mrs Marie Campbell

1950-51--Mrs Burt. Morrison, Miss Jessie Lillico, Mrs Neil McDonald.

1952-- Mrs Clarence Thompson, Mrs Wm. Alexander.

PRESIDENTS

- 1948 Miss Margaret Fortune
- 1949 Miss Margaret Fortune
- 1950 Mrs Wice
- 1951 Miss Nora Crozier
- 1952 Miss Nora Crozier

VICE PRESIDENTS

- 1948 Mrs Chester Cunningham
- 1949 Mrs Wm. Filsinger
- 1950 Miss Nora Crozier
- 1951 Mrs John Wilcox
- 1952 Mrs John Wilcox

SECRETARY TREASURERS

- 1948-1949 Miss Jessie Hyndman
- 1950 Mrs Marie Campbell
- 1951-1952 Mrs Geo McGregor.