

# Pictorial trip to the North for Saltfleet Women's Institute

By Ruby Williams

The January meeting of Saltfleet Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C. Kott with the president Mrs. J.C. Hick-

more presiding. The roll call was answered by — food from afar. The secretary, Mrs. C Kott, read the minutes. She reported on the sale of

commemorative spoons with the profits being \$58.23. Anyone interested in purchasing these spoons can contact Mrs. J.C. Hickmore, at 662-4136.

Mrs. Kott reported that the Ontario W.I. Conference will be held at Waterloo, May 2. Also that our next meeting will take place at Stoney Creek Public Library with Mrs. G. Andrew as convener and the topic is A.C.W. W. night - Associated Country Women of the Word.

Mrs. Kott read the following interesting article from the Winnipeg Free Press Weekly. Mrs. Martha Bielish, President of the Federal Women's Institute of Canada told of pledges being made to buy a jeep for women in South East Africa who live in rough country; provide leadership training courses for African villages; help to pay for medical help to support a program

on nutrition designed to prevent blindness in children in developing countries.

As the entertainment for the meeting was designated as film night, our secretary Mrs. Kott showed her most interesting pictures of Arctic Adventures which she took on her trip to the North West Territories, the Yukon, and Alaska last year. There were pictures of gold mines, pingos at Inivik, which are hills of ice the natives dig rooms into to keep their frozen provisions. Inivik is the major supply centre of the Mackenzie River Delta with a population of 750 Eskimo origin. The pictures from the plane showed the vastness of the Mackenzie

River Delta.

Mendenhall glacier, one of the largest in the world, made an amazing picture. At Yellowknife, interesting pictures were taken of kennels where they are breeding and developing the pure Alaskan dogs. Several slides were shown of the Bush Pilot's Monument (British Freighter), the first aircraft of its type to land at the North Pole.

Pictures were shown of Dawson City and the home of Pierre Burton, where he lived as a child. It was amazing to see the beautiful flowers around the Burton home. Pictures of wild flowers also made a great show. These were the fireweed and the Arctic Cotton.

By Levin Otter, the party flew to Aklavik and visited a handicraft show as the Eskimos are noted for their carving and handicraft. The attendant was a smiling Eskimo lady who had been a Women's Institute member.

Mrs. Kott remarked on the good food they were served while on their trip, especially the fish — the Arctic char — and how she had enjoyed her trip to the North.

Mrs. Hickmore thanked Mrs. Kott for showing her most interesting pictures and explaining to us about that part of our country which so few of us have seen. The hostess was assisted at the lunch hour by Mrs. F.B. Felker and Miss Loreena Seaman.