

Hand-Made Quilt Is Tribute To Founders

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One of the outstanding displays featured at this year's Prince Edward County Fair at Picton will be that sponsored by the Prince Edward District Women's Institute.

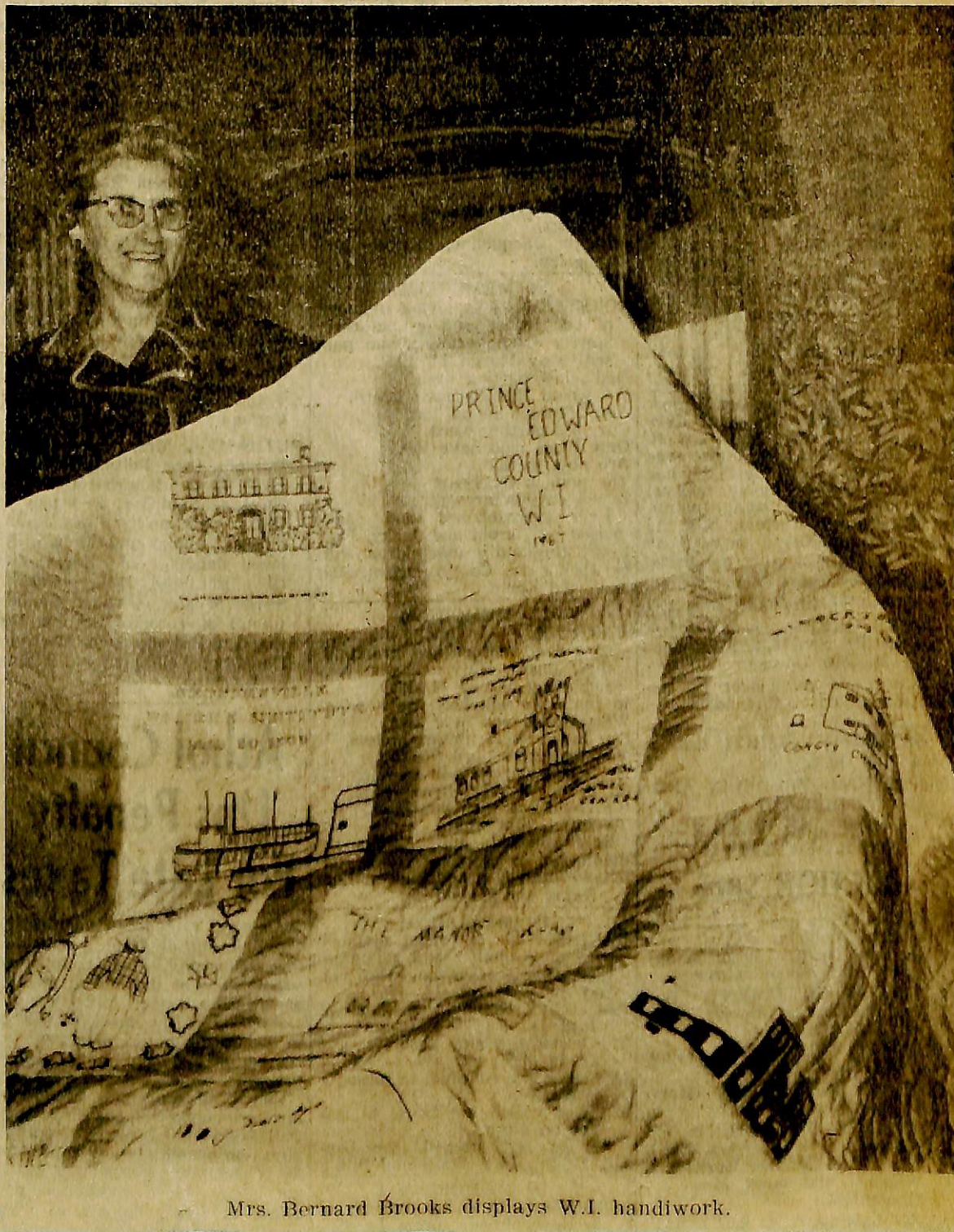
In 1967 the women began a project as a tribute to the founding men and women of the county.

Media for this message is a beautiful hand-made quilt. Like so many activities and products of those activities of our forefathers, quilting bees provided the women not only with an opportunity for get-togethers in order to exchange the latest recipes and gossip, but also an opportunity to create an individual dualized object of artistic as well as utilitarian beauty. This is in great contrast to our modern age which manufactures thousands of identical objects which are designed to give one rather than one hundred years of service.

The quilt itself was selected to illustrate this way of life before the machine age. The modern hippie movement claims to have invented the idea of the creative energy force of doing your own thing. They did not invent it. They just reminded the world of its existence.

The quilt blocks were prepared by the individual eleven branches of the Prince Edward County District Women's Institute and the quilting itself was completed by the Cherry Valley Branch. Below you may read an outline of the historical background of each of the scenes on the quilt. Any corrections of factual material will be gladly received. Special thanks should go to all the people in the county whose contributions made the project a success. Add the Women's Institute display to your itinerary for the Fair this Fall.

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