In 1943 the Institute packed and sent 17 boxes, socks, sweaters, food and tobacco to the boys in service. At another time it was 27 boxes - the sweaters and mittens being made by the members; Mrs. Adrain one year knitting most of the socks. Letters were received by some of the men by the Branch:

Art Dupuis from Italy Paddy Mahon from Belgium Reg. Audson from Scotland Cpl. Walter Bloom from Italy Art Peseau from Italy

The last box sent was to Reg. Hudson at Christmas time, he was in Germany and was the last one of the men still overseas, this was in 1946.

In 1943 the cash at the end of the fiscal year was 3 206.49. By the end of the next year the cash was in 1944 only 3 5.35. This shows clearly how much these ladies spent for war work... quilts were made for Britain this took much of the money getting materials and mailing. These ware received and distributed where needed the most by the women on war work through England. All parcels of quilts etc. were acknowledged by these women over there. I am sure that it was no easy job to raise money during those years; what they did get, they shared willingly.

"Money Raisers" --- In 1943 a dance was held with admission of 50¢ per person and a musician paid as well...\$2.00 paid to Wilfred Bouchard. A far cry from today!

Another time, a skating party and "Squaw# dance with music by Nelson Boehme with a show put on by the following....

Baily Adrain Elvin Fredrick Charlie Stubbs Sidney Stubbs

....wonder what it was all about!

Many years later, some of you may recall, a dance was scheduled for between Christmas and the New Year....we went in the hole. It was a complete flop and the members, some of them anyway, volunteered to raise money on their own to help pay off our depts. We did succeed. Other money makers over the years were: Bake slaes, card plays, not to mention a play called "The Laughing Cure" a lot of fun with the leading lady being Bessie Fringle. The cast was the W.I. members with a loan of several young men of the community for the production. We even went on the road with the play...twice anyway!

Short Courses: One of the first short courses held was in sewing. It was held in the Anglican Hall in 1938. Since then, there has been many more, to name some of them....

Sewing...Copper tooling...Leather craft...Lamp shades Needle-point.... Hat-making...Textile printing .... Cooking and others.

Also Rural Night School classes in typing and cooking sponsered by the Institute. 4-H club work for many years dating back to the first one in 1945 which was called the "Milky Way". There is no record fo all these courses in the books, perhaps some of you will recall when your children were 4-H members, do let