

The <sup>1953</sup> Annual meeting of Cochrane District North Women's Institutes was held in Cochrane United Church June 9th, with fifty members present. Registration was conducted by Mrs Walker and Mrs Robinson of Cochrane as reception committee and Mrs C Wilson and Mrs P. Cox attending to the actual registration.

The meeting was called to order by the president Mrs Stiles with all repeating the Mary Stewart Collect.

A warm welcome to Cochrane and to St. Pauls United Church was given by Rev. C. Tomlin who offered sincere words to the Women's Institutes as the only group of ladies which brings to the north what the north needs - "The W. I. stake in the welfare of the north is a great one."

Mrs Walker as president of Cochrane Branch also extended a hearty welcome to all visitors.

Mrs. Piche, in absence of Mrs Clarke of Island Falls, gave the reply. Mrs Howard of Cochrane W. I. rendered a most delightful solo - "God Bless this Home."

The Roll Call was answered by cash donations from the branches - Total 32<sup>00</sup>

Mrs. H. MacPherson introduced the guest speakers, Mrs MacCracken, N. W. I. O. Board Director, Kirkland Lake and Miss E. Kidd W. I. Branch, Dept. of Agriculture Toronto.

Mrs MacCracken performed the announcement and ratification of District Directors, namely Mesdames Robinson, Piche, Johnson, Holek, Nelson, and Blackburn. Moved by Mrs Ash, seconded by Mrs MacPherson that these ladies be accepted as directors -

Minutes 7/1952  
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adopted as read.