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ron-iree calling to St. Marys from the Medina exchange will probably be established considerably earlier than was expected at the time of the hearing held by the Ontario Telephone Service Commission in Wildwood School the evening of April 28. At that time, Bell indicated August 1974 as the earliest date possible for toll-free service. Following the hearing in April,

Talent Sale Held

The March meeting of the Lakeside Women's Institute was held on Wednesday, March 1st in the L.O.L. hall. The committee in charge served a dessert lunch at 1 p.m. with 53 members and guests attending. Mr. Bruce McLeod, member of the Oxford County Board of Education introduced the speaker, Mr. Geo. Simmons, Woodstock, director of the board of education for Oxford County. Mr. Simmons spoke on how parents may help their children in school and a discussion period followed the address. Mrs. Willis Ball presented the speaker and Mr. McLeod with a small gift. A talent sale was held with Mrs. Allin Stewart as auctioneer. Mrs. Jared Vining, president, conducted a short business meeting following the sale. Mrs. Frank McLeod reported on the 75th anniversary of the F.W.I.O. that she attended at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto when Mrs. Farquharson, president of the A.C.W.W. was the guest speaker. Over 1600 Institute members from Ontario attended this anniversary. Courtesy remarks by Mrs. Clayton Kew and the meeting closed with The Queen. 1972

the Ontario Commission requested Bell to review the situation. Bell made a further study of growth forecasts in the St. Marys complex (St. Marys, Thorndale and Kirkton) and he advised the commission that the area is enjoying a greater telephone gain than previously estimated with the new toll-free July 21/71

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The Lakeside 4-H girls were guests of the Lakeside Women's Institute at their July meeting which was held in the L.O.L. Hall.

Mrs. Clayton Kew, president, welcomed the guests and conducted the opening business.

The 4-H girls Joan King and Mary Ann Verwer demonstrated the making and serving of a fruit cup. On display were the girls books and articles made in the previous units.

Mrs. Don King the convenor, then conducted the picnic program of games and contests which everyone enjoyed.

Gifts were awarded to the 4-H leaders, Mrs. Evelyn King, Mrs. Linda McCorquodale, Mrs. Eileen Vyse, Mrs. Noreen Switzer, Nancy Holden also received a gift after completing 12 homemaking units.

The committee then served a picnic lunch. target date now set for October 1973.

The new service to be provided Medina exchange customers of the Blanshard Municipal Telephone System on the changeover to deal will indicate flat rate private and two-party lines, trouble-free cable plant, direct distance dialing, direct connection to the toll operator; no operator on local calls.

## Women's Institute Conference

By Doris Baskett Secretary-Treasurer

Oxford County Women's Institute Conference is an organization, composed of all W.I. branches in Oxford. There are 19 branches in the South, and 17 branches in the North. One meeting is held each fall in the Moose Hall in Woodstock.

The 1972 meeting was held Nov. 7th with almost 150 ladies signing the register. This is an all-day meeting, with a potluck meal at noon. There was a display of crafts and hobbies brought in by the branches. There were so many displays it was hard to find room to accommodate them. The handiwork was beautiful.

Mrs. Kenneth Chapin of Brantford was guest entertainer in the afternoon, and delighted her audience with an imaginary trip around the world, taking us to various countries by song and dance.

Each year through the conference, a bursary, scholarship and an award are given. Last year the scholarship went to Miss Sharon Armour of Ingersoll.

Mr. Rodney Steinman of Bright received the bursary and Miss Diann Sherran of Woodstock the award.

The meeting in 1973 of the Conference will be held in the Moose Hall, Woodstock, November 13th, all W.I. members should try to attend. Much can be gained from doing so.

## LAKESIDE July 1972

Christ Church choir on Sunday. Mrs. J.G. Baker was the organ-

of his sister, Mrs. Jean Young. Sunday was Annual Decoration Day Service for Christ Church Cemetery. The guest speaker for this occasion was the Reverend R. Crocker of St. Jame's Church, St. Marys. Many members and friends of Christ Church attended this service. The reception in the Parish Hall was provided by the Ladies Guild.

Mr. John Young, Dundas,

Scotland is visiting at the home

Mrs. Gordon MacLeod assisted

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Lawrence Taylor, Mrs. Clayton Kew, Mrs. Anna Sutherland, Mrs. Margaret MacLeod, Mrs. Roy McCorquodale, Mrs. Jas. Morrison, Mrs. Rose Vining, Mrs. Vyse and Miss Marion Baker attended the North Oxford District Institute Tweedsmuir Tea in the Presbyterian Church, Embro.