

two little cousins from Ebenezer, Margaret Jean Grant and Margaret Grant. A pleasant feature of the program was an old-fashioned spelling match conducted by Mrs. W. L. Theaker. It was the grandmothers vs. all others, and the former went down to defeat. Mrs. E. Neilly was the last grandmother to be "pulled down" while several remained standing on the other side. Amusing readings were given by Mrs. N. McAllister and Mrs. Victor Tanner, and these were much enjoyed.

Institute members named to assist at the health clinic on March 25th, were Mrs. G. Parker and Mrs. R. L. McGill.

A social half-hour was enjoyed, and the committee served a delicious lunch.

### MRS. WM. ARCHER RE-NAMED PAISLEY W. I. PRESIDENT

At the annual meeting of the Paisley branch, Women's Institute, held in the Memorial Community Centre on April 15th, Mrs. William Archer was re-elected for another term. Other officers named were: Honorary president, Mrs. R. J. Pearce; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. Wilford Dippel; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. Elgin Cumming; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Gillies Parker; assistant secretary, Mrs. W. Gregg; district director, Mrs. Geo. Johnston; branch directors, Mrs. Wm. Rolston, Mrs. O. R. Seiler, Mrs. Jas. Hope, Mrs. E. W. Grant; resolutions, Mrs. W. Dippel; press, Mrs. H. Carlaw; auditors, Mr. H. Neilly and Mrs. Oliver Seiler; Sunshine committee, Mrs. R. J. Pearce, Mrs. Jas. Cavill, Mrs. Jas. Hope, Mrs. N. McAllister; standing committee convenors: historical research, Mrs. A. G. Stoddart; citizenship Mrs. R. J. McGill; home economics, Mrs. E. Pörtner; agriculture and industry, Mrs. W. Spong; community activities and public relations, Mrs. J. Friar and Mrs. Nelson Howe.

Committee reports were received and showed that the past year had been both busy and progressive. Mrs. B. McArthur sang a solo. The guest speaker, Reeve W. S. Forrester, delivered an interesting address on "Public Relations."

## Institute Will Conduct Campaign To Aid The Blind

"Every one in the community is happy when they hear of a successful blind person," said H. S. McQuay, chairman of the Owen Sound and Grey-Bruce Advisory Board, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Mr. McQuay went on to tell The Advocate of a case about which he had heard recently.

Thirteen years ago Hartley Stevenson was a hydro lineman climbing poles, installing transformers, and doing a full day's work with the rest of the crew. Then an accident happened. He lost his sight, his job, and his niche in the community, as he thought, for ever. For some time he sat at home regretting his loss until one day a Canadian National Institute for the Blind fieldman called on him. He invited other blind people to call, and as time

went on, Mr. Stevenson took courage from the achievements of his new friends. Learning to use a Braille watch played a large part in his fight back to normal living.

Eventually he took lessons in handicrafts from a sightless home teacher and began to realize that he could work with his hands in spite of the loss of his sight. At length he accepted a job in a shop operated by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and excelled in assembly of the common household fuse. After three years there, when he had become used to regular hours again, travelling to and fro on the street car alone, finding his way about the shop, and overcoming the difficulties that beset the blind workman, he asked the C.N.I.B. employment department to find him a job in regular industry. The blind placement officer approached the hydro electric, Stevenson's former employer, and a job was at once found for him. He is now insulating motors, a task that involves the placing of small pieces of cardboard in little slots located all around the inside edge of the motor.

"This type of rehabilitation is costly," Mr. McQuay said, "but we don't mind spending the money, when the results are so worthwhile. Canadian National Institute for the Blind officers all over Canada can point with pride to dozens of such cases. We of the Owen Sound district have our own successful blind employees and we who contribute to the C.N.I.B. annual financial campaign have a big share in their success."

Mr. McQuay pointed out that in the present drive for funds to support the C.N.I.B., the sum of \$8,000.00 is required. This is an annual appeal to the people of Bruce and Grey, who have in the past, given a very generous response with their contributions. This year, it is hoped that residents of the area will exceed the generosity of the past, in order that the excellent work of the C.N.I.B. may be continued without cessation.

In Paisley this year the campaign is again in the capable and energetic hands of the Women's Institute, and the members plan to carry out an intensive house-to-house canvass, beginning next week.

### PAISLEY W. I. ENJOYS POT LUCK SUPPER

The monthly meeting of the Paisley branch of the Women's Institute was held in the Memorial Community Centre on Tuesday evening, May 20th.

Fifty-five members and guests sat down to a very delicious pot luck supper and following the meal, a brief business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. Wm. Archer. Mrs. Wilford Dippel gave a very interesting talk on a recent trip to Florida which had been taken by herself and Mr. Dippel and their son. She showed cards and souvenirs of the trip and otherwise presented a splendid word picture of the trip into the southern resort state. At conclusion of her remarks, she was extended a vote of thanks on behalf of the gathering by Mrs. R.

J. Pearce, a past president of the branch.

Progressive euchre and Chinese checkers were played for the remainder of the evening. Winners in the euchre were Mrs. Alice Amness and Charles Kissack, while Mrs. Jas. Hope won the prize for Chinese checkers.

### PAISLEY BRANCH, W. I.

The June meeting of the Paisley branch of the Women's Institute was held in the Memorial Community Centre with 19 members and six guests present. Roll call was answered with "My favorite hobby." The meeting opened with the Ode and a reading by the president, Mrs. Wm. Archer. The Scripture was read by Mrs. Jas. Cavill. Minutes were read and the Sunshine committee reported 26 calls. It was decided to accept an invitation from the Walkerton W.I., to attend the September meeting in the county town. A donation of \$5.00 was made to the garden club, for prizes at the fall fair, and also \$1.00 as a prize from the Institute.

Mrs. George Johnson gave an interesting report on the district annual meeting held at Southampton. Mrs. R. G. Grant gave a demonstration on the making of summer salads and also provided many helpful suggestions on the art of salad making. This was very much enjoyed by everyone. Mrs. O. Seiler, Mrs. Jas. Cavill and Mrs. Wm. Archer were named to assist with the next baby clinic. The July meeting will take the form of a picnic.

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE ENJOYS PICNIC—BUT INDOORS

The July meeting of the Paisley branch of the Women's Institute took the form of a picnic. Owing to weather conditions, it was necessary to forego plans to meet outside, and the special occasion was observed within the Memorial Community Centre. The president, Mrs. Wm. Archer, presided over a short business period. It was decided that the branch would make a \$50 contribution toward the cost of a piano for use in the Memorial Community Centre. Following the business period, games and contests were enjoyed by members and guests. A delicious lunch brought the meeting to a close.

### BITS 'N' PIECES

The local branch of the Women's Institute is carrying on a quiet campaign to raise the required funds with which to purchase a piano for the Memorial Community Centre. There seems to be a mistaken opinion among many citizens that there is already a piano in the Community Centre. Actually, there was an instrument there for many months, but it is owned by the Rotary Club, and when that organization moved its meeting place back to the dining room of the hotel, the piano was returned there, too. So a piano is really needed for the Community Centre. The Women's Institute is asking other local organizations to contribute to the fund, after starting it off themselves with a \$50 donation. While we have not been asked by anyone to "stick in our oar," the proposal to buy a piano is a

good one, and we are taking the liberty of suggesting that if any of our readers care to contribute to the fund, such donations would be most acceptable. We understand that contributions may be made to Mrs. Gillies Parker.

### PAISLEY W. I. RESUMES REGULAR MEETINGS

The monthly meeting of the Paisley branch of the Women's Institute was held in the Memorial Community Centre on September 16th. The meeting opened in the usual manner, with the Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect. Mrs. R. J. Pearce gave the Scripture reading. The Sunshine committee reported 18 calls. The treasurer's report revealed that the piano purchased for the Memorial Community-Centre would be paid for in full as soon as all promised donations were received.

Mrs. Gillies Parker and Mrs. R. J. Pearce were named as delegates to the conference to be held in Kitchener on October 7 and 8. The members were reminded that there will be an auction sale of articles made from flour bags at the October meeting. At the same meeting, members of the Williscroft branch will be guests.

Two very interesting papers on "Industry and Agriculture" were given by Mrs. Walter Spong. These were followed by a demonstration on the manufacture of berry boxes by Mrs. Howard Carlaw. The meeting closed with a social half-hour.

On September 4th, members of the Paisley branch were guests of the Walkerton W. I. There was a good attendance and the visit was very much enjoyed.

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE ENJOYS INTERESTING PROGRAM

The Paisley branch of the Women's Institute met in the Memorial Community Centre on October 21st. The meeting opened in the customary manner, and the Scripture was read by Mrs. Wm. Rolston. The Sunshine committee reported making 20 calls. A communication from a wall paper company was read, asking the branch if it desired to sponsor a demonstration on home decorating as put on by the company. This matter was left in the hands of the executive. An invitation was received to attend the Home and Crafts demonstration at the Elora Road school on Nov. 12.

Members of the Williscroft branch were guests at the meeting, and provided two numbers for the program. Mrs. Harold McKay gave a reading, "Cooking to Music," and Mrs. Harvey Grant and Mrs. Murray Grant sang a duet, which was much enjoyed.

Miss V. Turnin, Bruce County Health Unit nurse, presented a very interesting talk on the organization and operation of health units. Mrs. R. J. McGill gave a paper based on the Institute motto, "Wholesome Homes Are Stepping Stones to a Great Nation." Mrs. E. Porter gave a paper on the preparation of foods for home freezing, and described the kind of foods to use for best satisfaction.