

I.O.D.E. Chapter Members Strive To Carry Out Ideals During Year

The annual report of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire is published below, as it was presented by the secretary, Mrs. Jean Reed.

I hereby submit the 42nd annual report of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, for the year ending January 31, 1959.

Ten regular meetings and six executive meetings were held in the homes of members. The regent, Mrs. E. Brown, presided at all these meetings.

Our standard was carried by Mrs. L. Youngblood at the provincial annual meeting in Hamilton, on Decoration and Armistice days in Acton, and at the dinner for New Canadians at the home of Mrs. W. Beatty.

The following Acton students, Helen Benton, Ella Jany, Katharine Kirkness, Mary K. Gibbons, Heather McGeachie, Heather Ann Dumareh, Heather and Janice Leyland and Andrew Knox, entertained the Chapter members in their various fields of accomplishment.

Travelogues were given by Mrs. G. May of Toronto, on Russia; by Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan, on the Scandinavian countries and the Brussels Fair; and by Mrs. K. Knox, vice-regent of the chapter and secretary for the Canadian Save the Children Fund. Mrs. Knox visited Europe and the Middle East.

All original work was written by several members and Mrs. Spencer-Lee gave a varied and nostalgic history of the chapter from its formation in 1916.

Essential Part
Empire and World Affairs is an essential part of the agenda of every chapter. Miss Daisy Foster, our convener, assisted by Mrs. H. Force and Miss M. Z. Bennett, spoke on various seasonal and current topics, thus bringing knowledge and therefore understanding of our place in the British Commonwealth of Nations and in the world.

The group leaders, Mrs. W. J. Beatty, Mrs. J. Jany, Mrs. J. Whitham and Mrs. H. Holmes, were most successful in their efforts in raising money for our national budget, by various ways—the draw for the electric blanket, baking and rummage sales and donations.

The annual tag day was held at the Acton Fall Fair. The chapter deeply appreciates the generosity and the co-operation they received from the citizens of Acton and surrounding district.

Donations were given to North Halton Music Festival, Halton Children's Aid Christmas Fund, Acton Boy Scouts, the Canadian Scene in newspaper for New Canadians and to National and Provincial chapter projects.

Books Presented
Our educational secretary, Mrs. J. W. Wolfe, in co-operation with the teachers of the Robert Little and the M. Z. Bennett schools, conducted an I.O.D.E. project. Books were presented to pupils in each room and as prizes. These books, however, were to be left in the school and thus help each room to acquire a library. A \$100 bursary was presented to Peter Robinson and a \$50 scholarship to Garry Dawkins.

The Chapter members canvassed for the Cancer Fund, the Crippled Children's new building in Toronto, conducted a campaign for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and assisted at the Blood Donors' Clinic in Acton.

Clothing and household articles were collected and sent to the International Institute for New Canadians, and to the Red Cross. A collection of books were sent to our troops in Germany. Toys were given to Mr. Clayton Fryer for the Eskimo children in the Hudson Bay district where he is stationed.

Teachers Entertained
At the March officers' tea, the chapter entertained the Public and High School teachers. In October, this chapter united with the Lakeside chapter to hear a most inspiring address by Mrs. Jennings, the national secretary for Immigration and citizenship.

Following this, the highlight of the year was the buffet turkey dinner which was served to the New Canadians who had recently settled in Acton. This was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Beatty. Mr. Bothwell, the teacher of the basic English class, and Mrs. Galloway showed the film, "This is Canada," courtesy of the United Church and now retired, Amos Shoemaker expressed the thanks of the group afterwards.

Dr. Johnston gave some sound advice to the club and entertained them with amusing stories as well. **Need Faith**
The theme of his address was, "What Does Our Life Need? First, he pointed out, we need faith in God, which gives people strength. Then we need belief in one another, and finally belief in ourselves."

Everyone needs a good sense of humor, he stressed. We must be able to laugh at ourselves. We should encourage each other. The world needs this, he said. Doing these things, we would revitalize our religion, have a clearer vision and have rounded personalities.

It is expected meetings will be held each month and speakers and films are planned. Plans were finalized to have Forrest L. Rogers, assistant supervisor of the economics department of the Bank of Nova Scotia, as guest speaker at the next meeting in March. Jim Ledger organized the menu for the next meeting. It's to be Hungarian goulash.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Ignore Unhappy Immigrant Not Ready to Settle, Writer
125 Bower Ave., Acton

Dear Editor:
Most letters to the Editor are from people who are dissatisfied with something or other, have an axe to grind, or are in criticism of this or that. A satisfied and contented person seldom writes in to express his feelings. Maybe it would be all to the good if people who are contented would write to their local newspaper, and let the world know that they are, all things considered, well satisfied with their lot. I write this letter in all seriousness in reference to the editorial of February 5th, "Residents Accept a Responsibility."
Your editorial quotes an immigrant who after one year in Canada is unhappy, cannot settle down, and vents his disgruntled feelings by decrying the country and its people. One year's residence is not sufficient time in which to get to know people and their ways. Any criticism from a such a short term person should be ignored. Letters from such people do harm to the immigrants who are happy and prepared to settle down, and who honestly try to get to know the local people and their ways of life. It has been my experience that Canadians generally are only too willing to give a helping hand to new-

comers who are prepared to help themselves to get adjusted to a new life.

Of course things in Canada are not perfect. Having travelled a little and having read a lot, I do not know of any country in the world where things are perfect. A home is only what you make of it. Yours sincerely,
Fred Ganley

1140 DIED IN '58
In 1958, 1140 people died and 20,660 were injured as a result of traffic accidents in Ontario. These are not dry statistics; 39,000 members of the Ontario Safety League are dropping with the blood of our friends and neighbors.

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In spite of poor weather conditions, a goodly number were on hand to register for the Home Nursing Course sponsored by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, on Tuesday night. There is still time for any who are interested in taking this course to register, as lectures do not begin until next week.

Classes are being held in the Robert Little School Auditorium on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m., but due to the school operetta being held in the Auditorium on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, the class will be held next week on Thursday night, instead of Tuesday night.

So far, two men have registered and officers say "Come on, men, how about keeping them company?"
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