

WINNER OF Ontario Hydro's annual award to the champion weekly newspaper country correspondent is Mrs. D. G. Robertson, of the Acton Free Press. James A. Blay, Hydro's director of public relations, congratulates her on her achievement at the Ontario Weekly Newspaper Association convention in Toronto. Mrs. Robertson of Ospringe, has been a Free Press correspondent for 34 years. She also writes for the Erin Advocate and the Guelph Daily Mercury.

and cheque for \$100 at the

Weekly Newspapers Conven-

tion in Toronto last Friday.

champion rural correspondent

Mrs. D. G. Robertson of Os-

pringe stepped to the head

table microphone to express

her thanks in words so apt

they brought the unusual in-

"I think there's something in

a weekly paper that is homey

and friendly that we don't get

in our daily papers with their

sensationalism. You have to

come back to the weekly for

common and sensible living,"

she declared, as the several

hundred newspaper people

broke into spontaneous clap-

It was difficult to compre-

hend the honor at first, Mrs.

Robertson said, as she went

on to express her gratitude to

the Ontario Weekly Newspap-

friends at the Free Press" who

sured her listeners the money

would be put to good use in her new home at Ospringe. "I

enjoy my work as a correspondent", she continued. "I

like people and I am interested in their doings. I trust I will

be able to carry on for a while

ers Association and "to my

tradition".

terruption of applause.

Certificate, \$100 cheque given

top rural correspondent of year

laughing and applauding.

ous note, leaving the editors

Her awards were presented

by Jim Blay, director of public

relations of Ontario Hydro,

who makes the award annual-

ly. He outlined for the lunch-

con audience Mrs. Robertson's

34 years of writing (encourag-

ed by her mother-in-law), her

church and Institute interests.

obtain her leads", Mr. Blay

commented as he told of the

new Robertson store at Os-

make this presentation to a

lady who gives unselfishly of

her time and talent. That she has served her readers well is

of Acton, attended the Friday

luncheon with Mrs. Robertson

the only woman at the long

head table, and the Friday eve-

ning banquet when many O.W.

"It is with great pleasure I

"She has an ideal base to

Lakeside chapter I.O.D.E. reports active year, many donations, gifts At the annual meeting in the were invited to join with us ember, members paraded and Legion hall Tuesday of last for our September meeting, attended services. The regent

week, members of Lakeside chapter of the I.O.D.E. heard reports which indicated a successful and interesting year, The secretary's full report

follows. The following is a summary of records for the 48th year of Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E., which I present to you, the members, for approval.

During the year, the chapter held ten regular meetings in the Legion auditorium and two executive meetings. With a total membership of 42 members including four out-of-town members, the average attend ance was 20.

At the beginning of the year, our program committee drew up a schedule for the year which included guest speakers, films, talent table, a court whist party and two pot luck suppers. A Christmas party was held following the December business meeting.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter and Golden Age Club

There were 40 certificates

presented for Ontario newspa-

pers which have been establish-

ed for 100 years or more. The

Acton paper falls short by

eight years, but the Milton Can-

adian Champion received one.

The Milton weekly was estab-

Acton and Milton papers do

not enter Ontario competitions

but have won a series of Can-

adian Weekly Newspapers As-

sociation awards at national

when we were privileged to have Mrs. A. K. Garton, liai-Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society speak to us. and show a film on the study. treatment and research these diseases.

In October, we sponsored an H.E.P.C. cooking school. Mrs. Beth Gilroy, home economist, demonstrated the convenience, speed and economy of cooking with small electrical appliances. Misses Judy Dwyer and Peggy Wheeler favored the audience with accordion duets.

Our annual bazaar and tea were held on the last Saturday afternoon in November and the event was most successful. We are selling Centennial Spoons in honor of Canada's birthday, as well as greeting cards for every occasion.

Exhibits were entered in Acton Fall Fair and this proved to add interest for us all and was financially successful.

change teacher. Miss Rosemary May. She explained the English school system and other aspects of life in England.

In June after our picnic supper, we were honored to have two guest speakers. Miss Esther Taylor spoke on the Acton Library from its origin in 1889 until the present time when a new Centennial Lib-

gional director of Expo. interested all in attending Expo 67 by his slides of the buildings in the process of being built and pictures of the island where the World's Fair is to be held.

joyed movies of Mr. Alf Long's two safaris in Africa. The pictures were beautifully colored and his comments most inter-

and Remembrance Day in Nov-

placed a wreath at the cenotaph in November and memson officer for Ontario for the bers planted geraniums at the graves of veterans and former Lakeside chapter members in the local cemeteries on Decoration Day. In April, members attended

a Holy Week Service in Knox Presbyterian church in a body. Two 25-year pins were presented to Lakeside members during the year.

The regent, Mrs. C. E. Nelles attended the National Convention in Montreal in May as our delegate. Canvassers, members of the chapter, assisted with the March of Dimes, the Cancer drive, blood donor clinic, C.N.I.B. canvass, as well as the tuberculosis survey and clinic. A bus was hired to accommodate members and friends who went to Guelph to see "Photoscenic Canada" in John

During the past year, the chapter endeavored to fulfil An Acton High School ex- its many obligations as a member of the national organizat-High, spoke to our chapter in .ion and as a part of the community.

F. Ross Collegiate in March.

Nationally, it contributed to the following funds: Commonwealth Relations, Wilhelmina Gordon Scholarship, National Shipping-Overseas Relief Fund, I.O.D.E. Canadian Centenary and Korean Projects and Peace Garden Fund.

Provincially, the chapter contributed to the Lucy Morrison Mr. Allan Rowan - Legge, re- Memorial Fund, Services at

CENTENNIAL FLAG

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Home and Abroad, Provincial Special Representatives Fund and Canadian Scone.

Locally, the chapter gave to the Decoration Day Committee, Canadian Legion and the Poppy Fund.

Educationally, the chapter awarded rings to the best allround boy and girl of Acton District High School of grade 12. Thirty-two never-late neverabsent certificates were pressented to high school students, and a \$25 scholarship to a high school student from grade 12 who is continuing his studies.

Fifty - two Canadian flags, one for each classroom, were presented to M. Z. Bennett and Robert Little public schools and Acton-District high school, also a standard for the high school auditorium. Formal ceremonies were held at each school and members of chapter presented the flags to students representing each

A member of the United Nations Club from Acton District High School was sponsored to attend the U.N. Seminar at Waterloo in June. At our October meeting, Neil Anderson an interesting report on - stay at the seminar.

Get well cards and flowers were sent to the sick or shut- in any way to make this year in members and floral tributes were sent to the bereaved fam-Heart Fund.

The Services at Home and Abroad Committee sent a bale of 135 articles valued at \$171 to headquarters. This bale included 13 quilts, two mattresses, (57 hospital gowns not in bale) and many other articles. Pocket editions were sent direct to the armed services in Germany.

Mrs. E. Lidkea .O.D.E. regent

New officers of the Duke of Devonshire chapter of the I.O. D.E. were announced at their meeting Tuesday-of last week. Honorary regent, Mrs. Bert Mowat; past regent, Mrs. H. R. Force; regent, Mrs. E. W. Lidkea; second vice-regent (flower and gift convener), Mrs. A. E.

Secretary, Mrs. Gordon Johnston; treasurer, Mrs. William McLeod; educational secretary, Mrs. J. A. Reed; assistant, Mrs. Bert Mowat: services at home and abroad, Mrs. H. F. Holmes. Standard bearer, Mrs. J. Rol;

Christmas hampers were sent to the needy in Acton with the co-operation of Acton Rotary Club and the Y's Men's. Club. Three meals for Christmas Day were included with used clothing and tovs.

We wish to thank our regent, Mrs. C. E. Nelles, and our executive for their untiring efforts on behalf of the chapter during the year, and also all those who willingly assisted in projects, programs and helped

As loval members of the ilies and a donation to the Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E., may we begin the new year stimulated with renewed interest in the ideals of the Order and work for the betterment of our chapter, and may our motto "For Queen and Country" inspire us to accept our obligations with zeal and enthusiasm. Submitted by:

> Helen Jocque, Recording Secretary.

honorary assistant, Mrs. R. Asar; Echoes secretary, Miss Ruby Clark; world affairs socretary, Mrs. H. R. Force; immigration and citizenship, Mrs. J.

McGeachie. Membership conveners, Mrs. H. Mainprize, Mrs. A. E. Newton; public relations, Mrs. J

Whitham; planist, Mrs. R. H. Councillors, Miss M. Z. Bennett, Mrs. G. A. Dills, Mrs. W. Beatty, Mrs. D. Leslie, Mrs. Whitham, Mrs. R. M. Mao-Donald, Mrs. H. Mainprize, Mrs. Bert Mowat.

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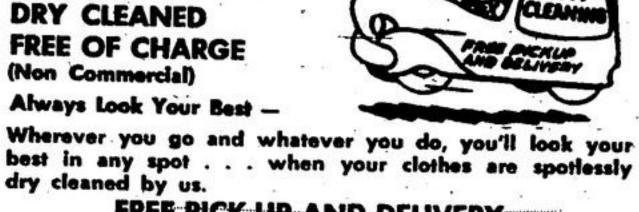
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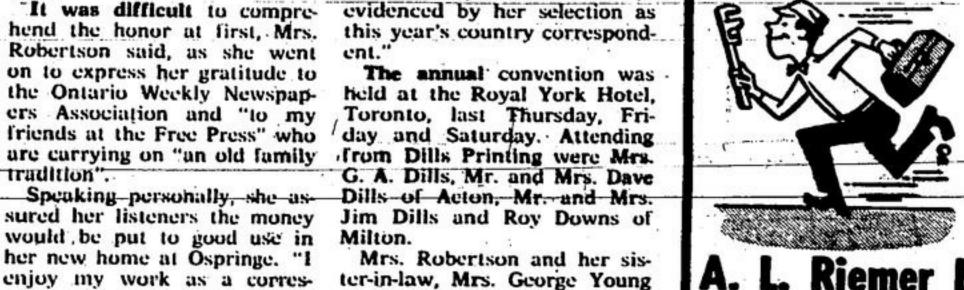
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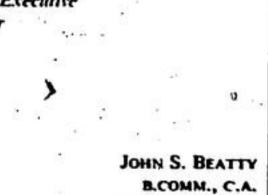
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Total Guaranteed Funds	60,425,740	48,283,405
First Mortgages	52,314,583	41,561,70
Bonds, Stocks, Cash	9.525.492	8,354,259
Total Assets under Administration	69,689,624	56.613.802

In 1966 Net Profit after all charges was \$307,539 and General Reserve reached \$1,000,000. Annual Report will be sent on request.

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