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## THE MAKING OF A TAPE DOCUMENTARY

Grace Shaw — choosing a few sentences which would illustrate the sincere and experienced opinions of each speaker as they fitted in to the subject of a town in transition. It is in this connection that an interviewer feels so much remorse. Sometimes he, or she, must reduce a speaker's 15-minute commentary into one sentence. It doesn't seem fair to those interviewed to treat them thus. It seems very high-handed. But there is no other way. Many good interviews are lost because of poor broadcasting quality, or tape breaks, or because two hours must be reduced to 30 minutes of story.

This pleasing business requires many hours. In all cases a CBC producer supervises every minute of copy and thus he shapes a story as he sees it. A good documentary is impossible without a good producer. Up to the last minute of going on the air he is busy going over and over the sequence of the spoken work, the timing, the fairness of delivery, the spacing and balancing of copy, and so on.

For example — to mention a very small point — on one tape a revolving fan had been picked up; I had overlooked the faint sound, but the tape had not. It heard. It also heard the clinking of a cup and saucer in a cafe, a simple sound which ruined a good interview. And so it goes.

Then in more subtle and more difficult respect the producer must watch for biased opinion. Where there is one strong opinion one way, there must be another differing opinion by way of contrast and fairness. Both sides of a story are important.

In other words a documentary must show a cross section of feeling and opinion. For Georgetown . . . a Town in Transition I used recordings of more than 50 interviews.

## Mrs. Art McKane Pres. of Terra Cotta Institute

The April meeting of the Terra Cotta W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. Bill Ostrander. The president, Mrs. Fraser Macdonald opened the meeting with the Opening Ode and the repeating of the Lord's Prayer in unison. The roll call was answered by the "Number of Meetings I attended and the one I most enjoyed". It seemed to be quite unanimous that the November meeting in charge of the grandmothers was the most enjoyable.

A donation was given to the Easter Seal Fund. Reports were given by the conveners of the Standing Committee, District Director, Hospital and Secretary-treasurer. Salads were chosen for the short course this year.

Miss Gertrude Wright gave a talk on Wild Flowers found in this district and showed pictures of these. Her talk was very much enjoyed. Mrs. Leslie Young conducted a contest on flowers and Mrs. Fraser Macdonald was the winner. The Home-Talents display proved quite interesting. Mrs. Owens Macdonald showed a cushion she had made and gave the instructions for working. She also gave a recipe for a dessert which she had prepared.

Mrs. Hugh Clark displayed the products she had made at the Night School, three aluminum trays, pictures on copper tooling and the members were very interested in a lamp she had made with the copper. Mrs. Wilfrid Leslie gave a vote of thanks to the hostess and all who took part in the meeting.

Mrs. Harvey Puckering presented the nominating committee's report which was accepted and the following officers were installed for 1957-1958:

Past president, Mrs. Fraser Macdonald; president, Mrs. Art McKane; 1st vice-president, Mrs. John McCulloch; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Harvey Puckering; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. C. G. Bishop; assistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Eason; directors, Mrs. Hugh Clark, Mrs. A. McDonald, Mrs. Howard Dolson, Mrs. R. S. Leslie; district director, Mrs. Leslie Young.

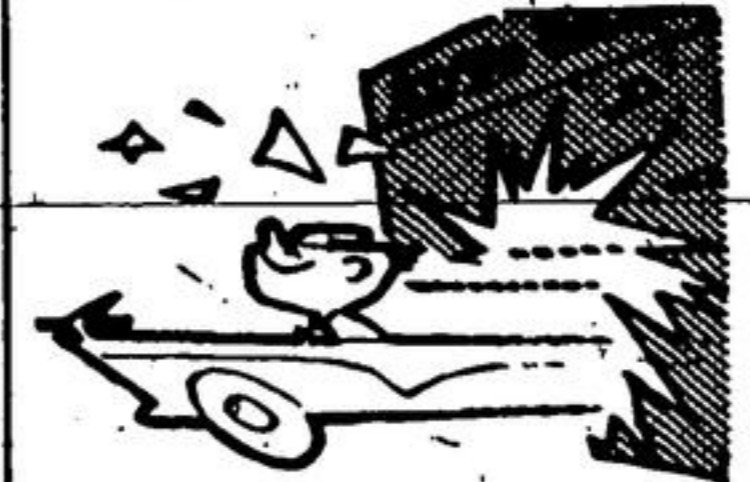
Conveners — Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. Wilfrid Leslie; Citizenship and Education, Mrs. W. Ostrander; Community Activities and Public Relations, Mrs. C. G. Bishop; Historical Research, Mrs. Leslie Young; Home Economics and Health, Mrs. Harvey Puckering; Resolutions, Mrs. J. McDonald; Publicity, Mrs. C. Anderson; Flower convener, Mrs. Donald Clark; Auditors, Mrs. O. Macdonald, Mrs. Hugh Clark; Nominating committee, Mrs. Lloyd Crichton, Mrs. Herb Campbell; Pianist, Mrs. George Frazer.

Mrs. Clarence Anderson conducted the installation ceremony. The retiring president, Mrs. Fraser Macdonald thanked the members for their co-operation and wished the new president success in the coming year. A pot luck supper was much enjoyed and proved adequate in every way.

### CAMPBELL FAMILY ARRIVES IN B.C.

Town Engineer Douglas Wilson received a letter last week from Harold Campbell, former engineering office assistant and building inspector, telling of his arrival at Nelson, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and children motored west, where he has started a new position with the B.C. highways department. Their trip was made eventful when Mr. Campbell contracted mumps during the trip, the children having had them before leaving town.



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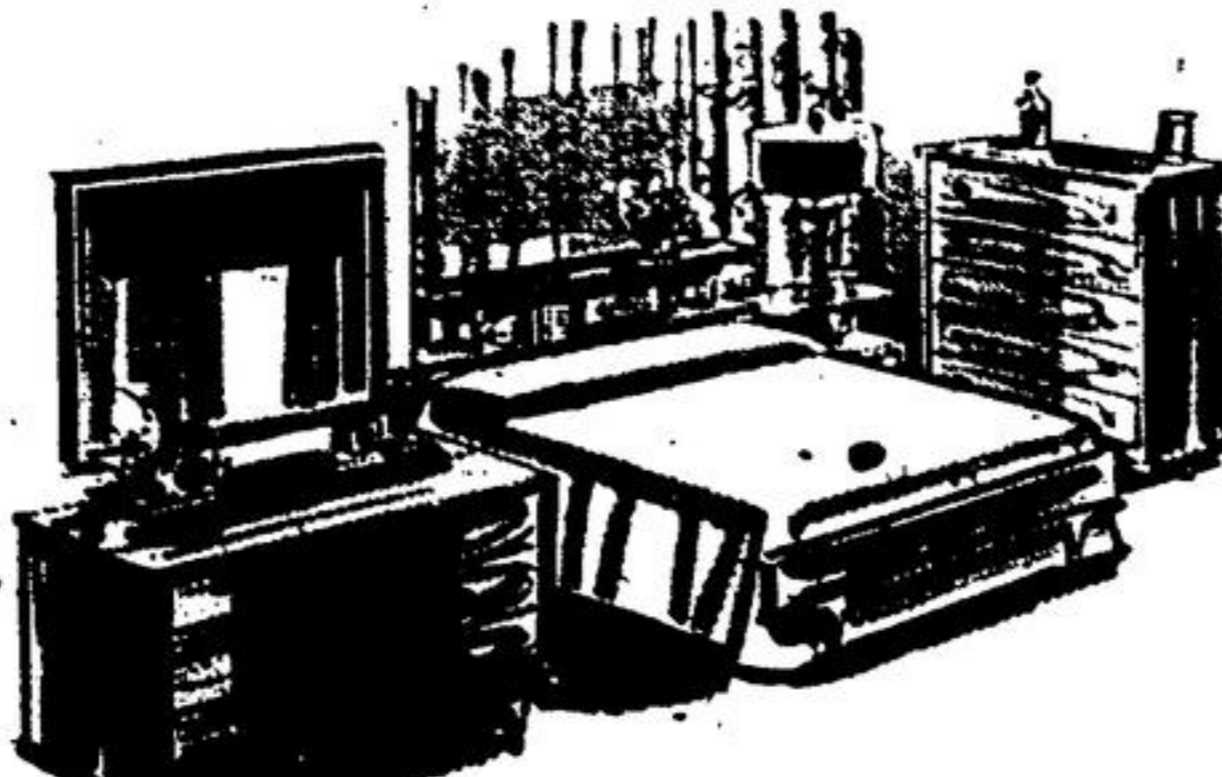


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### Limehouse Institute Chooses Mrs. F. Brown

Mrs. A. W. Benton took the chair for the installation of officers at the Limehouse W.I. annual luncheon meeting held April 4th in Limehouse memorial hall. Poor weather conditions prevented many attending the meeting which saw Mrs. Frank Brown elected to the presidency.

Mrs. E. Sanford and Mrs. Jack Roughley were elected 1st and 2nd vice presidents, and Mrs. J. W. Noble was installed as secretary-treasurer. This year the district director is Mrs. A. J. Smethurst and the branch directors, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Harry Brown, Mrs. Jack Roughley, and Mrs. E. Karn.

Mrs. Jack Roughley and Mrs. C. Meredith are the pianists; Mrs. Smethurst, press reporter and the roll call will be handled by Mrs. Kirkpatrick. The conveners are Mrs. H. Brown, agriculture and Canadian Industries; Mrs. Fendley, citizenship and education; Mrs. A. W. Benton, community activities and public relations; Mrs. R. Turner and Mrs. Roughley, home economics and health; Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. C. Meredith, historical research, current events and Tweedsmuir history, Mrs. J. S. Noble; flowers and fruit, Mrs. M. Ellerby, medical officers.

The meeting was arranged for 12.30 by the social committee who had charge of the luncheon. The W.I. grace opened the meeting and the Collect was repeated before Mrs. Frank Brown took the chair to conduct the business. Roll call was answered with the payment of fees. An account of the district directors' meeting at Milton was given by Mrs. A. J. Smethurst and the annual reports of the various standing committees

were read before going on to the district convener.

### THREE PRIZE WINNERS JUNIOR HOCKEY DRAW

A member of the Georgetown Raiders, Blake Inglis, was the first prize winner in the Junior Hockey Club's draw for "6 of the best" which was made between the 2nd and 3rd periods of a recent tilt between the Raiders and Sundridge at Georgetown arena.

Jack Presswood and Maude Hadley were second and third in the draw which, on request of the club president George Louth, was made by Jerry Oliniski, the former NHL official now refereeing in the OHA.

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