

Halton Manor

by Muriel Thompson

The opening meeting of the Halton Manor Hobby Class for the current 1959-1960 season was held in the dining room of the Manor, on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 7th, with 18 members attending. Mrs. S. Lockie, the director, and Mrs. S. Allen, the assistant director were in charge of the meeting. A box of supplies for the class, received as the result of a show by the Blair Evening Auxiliary of St. David's Church, Campbellville, was displayed and gratefully acknowledged. A new afghan that had been finished for showing at the Milton fall fair, was displayed and plans made to start another. Plans were also made for the completion of a new quilt. The prize-winning knitted articles shown by Mrs. Forbes Mr. Viggers and Mrs. Ford, at the Milton Fair, were displayed for the members. It was a pleasure to have at this meeting, for the first time, Mrs. Earl Mongraw, matron. It was also a pleasure to welcome back from Georgetown, where they are residing for the present, Miss Harriet Metcalfe and Miss Elizabeth Hannant.

The Thanksgiving Day weekend was observed in a number of very enjoyable ways at the Manor. At noon on Thanksgiving Sunday the residents enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner, which included pumpkin pie and all the trimmings. Their special favors for the day were little paper horns of plenty, filled with candy and these had been supplied by the November group of the church year of St. Christopher's Anglican Church at Burlington.

In the afternoon, a service appropriate for Thanksgiving Day was conducted by Rev. E. Orsborn, assisted by Mrs. Lockie at the piano. Mr. Orsborn read Psalm 103 as the scripture lesson and then delivered an inspiring sermon based on Chapters 27 and 28 of the Book of Acts. After explaining that the Apostle Paul was making a long sea voyage to Rome to appear before the emperor, Mr. Orsborn described how the ship in which Paul was sailing was driven on to one of the islands of the Mediterranean. Here Paul and his companions were greeted by the barbarians of the island. When they were warning themselves at a fire, Paul laid a bundle of sticks on the fire. Mr. Orsborn drew an analogy between this simple act, seemingly so unimportant, and the kindly deeds that Christian persons do for each other. At the close of the service, Mrs. Lockie remained for a half hour in which she played the piano in order that the residents might enjoy the singing of a number of familiar hymns.

On the night of Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Allen the superintendent of the Manor, added to the enjoyment of the day by showing three very attractive colored films. The first film, Carnival in Quebec, showed scenes at the annual three week winter carnival in Quebec City. Typical of these scenes were pictures taken of the International Dog Derby and the Mardi Gras parade. The second film depicted the beauty of Waterton National Park, the Canadian national park where British Columbia, Alberta and Montana meet at the International Boundary. North to Wales was the title of the third film. This film showed the beaches, waterfalls, mountains and castles, which, among many other things, have made Wales famous.

The 1959-1960 season of entertainment by outside groups was ushered in most favourably on Tuesday evening, Oct. 13th, by a group of visitors from Acton under the sponsorship of the Acton Women's Institute. Before the program began and while the audience was assembling, Mrs. James Bradshaw played several very melodious piano solos such as "Bless This House" and the "Bells of St. Marys". In her usual gracious way, Mrs. George Fryer, the president of Acton Women's Institute extended greetings to the residents and announced the program. The first section of the program was of a sacred nature and was conducted by Rev. G. Holmes, pastor of the Acton Baptist Church. During this part of the program Mr. Holmes delivered a very comforting address, based on the theme of the abiding presence of God. Throughout the program several vocal and instrumental selections were presented by very talented singers and instrumentalists. Several cornet and piano duets by Mr. Charles Landsborough and his daughter Helen, and several vocal duets by Mrs. Veldhois and Miss Dorothy Simmons and Miss Dorothy Holmes were greatly enjoyed. Several numbers by a kazoo band made up of seven members of the Institute aroused much amusement. A stirring part of the program came next. It consisted of instrumental selections, Scottish dances and drills performed by seventeen boys and girls belonging to the Acton Boys' and Girls' Pipe Band, under the very capable supervision of Mr. P. Caddick. The band presented a colourful picture as they were dressed in their tartan kilts and scarlet tunics, and made a great impression upon the audience. A very enjoyable portion of the program followed the pipers. Mrs. A. J. Buchanan showed a large number of most attractive coloured slides taken during her last summer trip in Belgium, Holland and Austria.

Before the pictures were shown, Mrs. Buchanan gave an eloquent summary of the march of events in these countries between the outbreak of war in 1939 and the present time, and while the actual showing of the pictures was progressing she furnished an interesting and appropriate commentary. Mr. James Bradshaw ran the projection of Mrs. Buchanan. This very acceptable program was followed by a social hour during which the Institute ladies served a delicious lunch of tea, sandwiches and small confections.

Rev. D. A. Powell, with Mrs. Ray Waters as pianist, conducted the church service on Sunday afternoon, October 18. Mr. Powell's sermon was a characteristic study of the Psalmist who composed the 73rd Psalm. Like all the Jews of his time, the Psalmist believed that the Godly should and did prosper while the wicked were unsuccessful. Yet, though he reviled all the religious duties required of him, he found that he himself was not prospering in a material way. He asked the question: "How can there be a living God when I am treated this way?" In time he came to see that spiritual wealth is far superior to material wealth, and a faith like his can steady us in our own day and generation.

HORNBY

Agriculture Theme, Institute Meeting

Agriculture was the theme of the October meeting of the Hornby Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. A. King on Wednesday the 15th. Mrs. J. McCarron, the convener was in charge of the program. The motto "It is not what we start that counts, but what we finish" was given by Mrs. J. Wallace. Mrs. McCarron conducted a contest and the ladies were asked to take the word "Agriculture" and see how many other words they could form from this. Mrs. P. Merry was the winner. An interesting paper entitled "Are we killing off our small farms" was read by Mrs. McCarron. Mrs. W. Coulton, the president, was in charge of the business part of the meeting. The roll call "Hints from the green thumb to the green horn" was answered by the 12 ladies present. It was decided to send a donation \$10 to the Tely Milk Ship toward their project of sending milk to the needy children overseas.

Some interesting discussions took place over the resolutions to be brought up at the area convention in Guelph. Mrs. R. King gave a report of the district directors meeting held recently. A report was also given on the senior training school on Focus on Finishes, which Mrs. R. King and Mrs. L. Campson had attended. Volunteers were asked for a class to be formed to take this course. A social time was enjoyed over a cup of tea. Mrs. R. King assisted the hostess.

Chief Haley's Warning Hallowe'en Pranksters

Chief of Georgetown police, Roy Haley, has issued a warning to senseless types who derive fun from destruction that anyone taking part in an act of malicious damage will be strictly dealt with by police. The Monday warning was directed at would-be vandals who consider Hallowe'en a night to run riot at someone else's expense. Last year the damage ran close to \$1,000. The chief also urged the younger set to enjoy spook night to the fullest and urged motorists to be especially alert and watch for children crossing the streets.

Interesting Overseas Tour Marion Barber Home Again

Mrs. Marion Barber, 26 Edlith Street has recently returned from a most interesting trip which took her to Spain and Portugal. She flew BOAC via London to Madrid which she found to be a city of fabulous beauty particularly its palaces and official buildings, the boulevards with the beautiful trees and fountains were very lovely. Madrid's art gallery and museums are the largest in the world. In Lisbon which is situated on seven hills she was struck by the cleanliness of the city where no manufacturing is allowed in the city limits. The flowers and trees here were of a more tropical nature and very beautiful. The architecture here was a mixture of the ultra-modern hotels and fine old historical buildings. A short trip into the mountains took her to the original Toledo Steel factory where steel is still manu-

factured by hand and here also was the place where the first Spanish government was located and later moved to Madrid. The last three days of her trip were spent at Estoril, Portugal, a beautiful seaside resort. Mrs. Barber's trip was arranged by the John R. Barber Travel Agency where she is employed, and was designed to give first hand information for clients of this travel firm.

Another Georgetown boy is joining the Royal Canadian Navy. Terry McGill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McGill, 10 Church St. will soon be leaving town for Cornwallis, near Halifax, where he will take his initial naval training.

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