

Explains Summer Camp Facilities for Retarded

Those people who attended the North Halton Association for Retarded Children meeting held on May 11 at Georgetown, were very fortunate to hear Mrs. June Braaten, Recreation Director, Ontario Association for Retarded Children who was guest speaker for the evening. Mrs. R. Ellenton, President of the North Halton Association, opened the meeting and asked Mrs. Max English to introduce Mrs. Braaten.

Sunlight

Mrs. Braaten commenced by showing a film and concluded with an informative talk on recreational facilities in Ontario. The film is entitled "Into the Sunlight" and deals with a summer camp especially designed to cater for retarded children at Lake Belwood, Guelph. This camp was originally established by Rev. W. McClary five years ago and run privately with the aid of service clubs, etc. Then, because of lack of funds and staff, the Ontario Association took over the camp and Rev. McClary joined the Recreation Committee. Since that time five more camps have been set up in the Province of Ontario and there are six more in other parts of Canada.

Belwood

Camp Belwood is typical of any summer camp and has a capacity for 50 boys and 50 girls, who attend for a three-week period. Activities include basketball, which is excellent for muscular co-ordination, swimming, being the highlight of all activities; and visits to a nearby farm.

The children attending these camps are a good cross section of retarded children as there is no way of pre-screening. Applicants must be between the age of 8 and 18 and enrolled at an O.A.R.C. School.

Playgrounds

Mrs. Braaten stressed the need for more recreational training within the community. It was reported that there are approximately twenty playgrounds in Ontario with planned recreational programmes in operation. In many communities Girl Guide and Boy Scout groups are established, a bowling alley arena will donate time, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A. and square dance groups will assist in arranging recreational activities for retarded children. Mrs. Braaten offered her assistance to any group wishing to form a recreation committee for retarded children within the community. Further, reports on recreational services set up in other communities in Ontario would be made available to any such group. Through recreational activities these children not only obtain muscular co-

ordination but develop good social habits.

Vacancies

A portion of funds raised during CFTO's TV Telethon will be used for the purchase of equipment for camps in Ontario. Mrs. Braaten stated that there are a number of vacancies for retarded young adults, seventeen to eighteen for the 1961 season and she would be pleased to hear of any parents wishing to send their child.

At the conclusion of the talk Mrs. W. Treahy, president of the Georgetown Auxiliary for Retarded Children, gave a vote of thanks to Mrs. Braaten.

SILVER - WOOD

Greenhouse Tour is Interesting to W.I.

The last meeting of the Silver-Wood Chefs, a 4-H club for girls, was held at the home of the leader Mrs. George Ironside, with president Caroline Norton in the chair.

Previously it had been decided to entertain the mothers, so they could see the achievements of their daughters and all the girls helped to prepare lunch. When the mothers arrived, each girl met her mother at the door and Mrs. Ironside introduced the president who in turn introduced each girl as they answered roll call with "What I Gained from the Club."

First vice-president Bonnie Norton presented Mrs. Ironside and assistant leader Mrs. George Burt with necklace and earring sets in appreciation for their guidance. Alice Wilson, Caroline Norton, Marjorie Burt, Sheila Campbell and Bonnie Bell served lunch. Mrs. Clare Wilson, president of the W.I. and mother of one of the girls, expressed thanks for a fine afternoon.

Friends and neighbours of Mrs. Harry Scott will be pleased to hear that she is home from hospital. They will also be happy to know that Mrs. R. R. Corbett is also home from hospital. We wish them a speedy recovery.

The Women's Institute met on May 11th at Webb's Greenhouses, Norval when twelve ladies had a tour of the property. Flowers were in full bloom and well worth seeing. Mrs. Don Lindsay expressed thanks to Mrs. Webb for taking time out on a busy day to show them through the greenhouses. Later the ladies went to the home of Mrs. William Norton for a meeting at which Mrs. Clare Wilson presided. Roll

call was answered by "What I really need." Cards of thanks were read from several folk who had been sent fruit and flowers.

Mrs. Harry Marchington read a report from the district meeting and Mrs. George Burt from the dinner of Halton TB and Health Association, which she had attended.

Delegates named to attend the District Annual in Georgetown are Mrs. Marchington, Mrs. William Norton and Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Ernie Miller presented Mrs. William Norton and Mrs. George Burt with Federated Women's Institute pins in recognition of their years as president and secretary.

Mrs. Don Lindsay had charge of a program on agriculture. She made a good auctioneer in a sale of bulbs, plants and flowers. A social half hour ended the afternoon.

The fire reels were called Saturday to a grass fire in a field across from Pat Garbutt's property.

Local Ladies Attend Milton Birthday Party

On Thursday, May 11th, Mrs. C. B. Dick of Milton, entertained for her sister, Miss Georgina Young, on the occasion of her birthday. Miss Young, who now lives in an apartment in Milton, is a

former resident of Georgetown, well-known to many through having taught in the Public School here for many years. Assisting the hostess were her daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Marshall, Milton, and Miss Edith Dick, R.N., Toronto, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Kenneth Dick, Milton.

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Friends from Georgetown attending were Mrs. Florida Nodwell, Miss May Langan, Miss Hazel Harrison, Mrs. H. C. Wrigglesworth, Miss Marie Lindsay, and Mrs. A. W. Gilmmer.

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Climaxing a phenomenal streak of luck Tuesday, May 9, Stan Allen drew his own ticket to win a second suit in the Rotary Club's Suit of the Month Draw in Milton.

Two months ago, Stan won the same draw. Tuesday night he won the club's weekly Foundation Draw and then members suggested since he had exhausted his luck he better draw the suit-of-the-month ticket. In warning fashion, Stan suggested it was tempting fate and he would prefer not to make the draw. Pressed into action, however, he reached in, pulled out a ticket, and handed it to John Johnston, who let out an expressive indication of horror. Sure enough Stan had won a second suit and the second draw of the night.

Mr. Allen, former reeve of Georgetown, is Superintendent of Halton Centennial Manor in the county town.

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