

Greenock WI has meeting

Greenock Women's Institute held the Jan. 1979 meeting at the home of the president Mrs. R. Sinclair.

Mrs. Sinclair gave thoughts on taking an inventory of oneself in this New Year, explaining that before one can appreciate others, one must first understand ourselves.

Meditations were given from the book of Matthew in regard to care and anxiety by Mrs. J. McCulloch.

A design to be found on bookmarks and announcements etc. for 1979 International Year of the Child was passed for all to note: What can one do now to help tomorrow's citizens physically, psychologically and socially?

The 31st Federated Women's Institute of Ontario Officers conference will be held at Waterloo University May 1 to 3 inclusive. Tweedsmuir Curators are especially invited to attend.

Agriculture and Canadian Industries standing committee conveners were in charge of the program.

Mrs. C. Aitken and Mrs. G. Leslie shared highlights of their visit to Newfoundland last summer, with map, brochures and snapshots.

Modernization has changed their way of life. Canning factories are used aboard the fishing vessels. There are 200,000 miles of shallow seas around this great island. Very little farming is done.

showing Canada's most easterly points of St. John's, the Catalina's Port Union and Bonavista's John Cabot monument; Trinity village's oldest church in Canada, occasionally used and still lit with coal-oil lamps.

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Jim and Dave Dills, former publishers of The Canadian Champion, Acton Free Press and Georgetown Independent, were honored at a dinner and dance organized by former employees Saturday in Acton Legion. Each received a framed color photograph of the buildings where they had spent many years of work. Bob MacArthur (centre), who was employed by the Dills for 52 years, was master of ceremonies. The three Dills papers and Acton printing plant were sold to Inland Publishing Co. Limited on Nov. 13.

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6:00 - Ontario Outdoors
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

6:00 - Hockey - Milton Tridents vs. Ayr
7:30 (approx.) - Beyond Belief

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

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Friends bid adieu to Dills brothers

It was a time for laughter and a time for tears Saturday evening as over 160 former employees of Dave and Jim Dills, former owners and publishers of the Acton Free Press, the Milton Canadian Champion and the Georgetown Independent gathered to bid them a final farewell.

Speeches, presentations and reminiscing took up the better part of the evening.

Jim recalled how the family built the company, up from one small newspaper into three national award winning weeklies. He told of the time when he and his brother Dave purchased a \$25,000 press while their father was out west at a convention. The former publisher said he was staggered at the thought of trying to pay off the sum. However, he noted, if they hadn't have taken this chance, the business would not have grown into the great success it did.

Bob MacArthur, a veteran of the company and emcee for the evening, said he could recall the first staff party of about half a dozen people sitting around a dining

room table, some 52 years ago. At Saturday's banquet about 160 attended, all former employees and all friends. All knew it would be the last such gathering of the "Dills' gang."

On the walls of the Acton Legion were photographs recording some of the events in the brothers' publishing careers and the many good times shared by the staff. Faces of those long since dead, or gone on to other jobs, reminded employees how close they all had been throughout the years.

Editor Hartley Coles sans beard, and with more hair graced many of the photos as did former editor Kay Dills. Hartley, in his speech to Dave told how he was taken off the streets and given a job. The Dills gave him a chance to learn printing and publishing. Many of their employees could say the same thing.

The closeness of the employees/employers became evident when Dave pulled out his old familiar red cap, one worn at all company get-togethers, no matter how formal. The inside joke

sent a rumble throughout the crowd, but also reminded everyone how much the hat will be missed.

Both Dave and Jim put their lives into the business and their respective communities. Both were Citizens of the Year, a tradition their father set many years before.

The former owners were each presented with a photograph—Jim of the Champion building in Milton, and Dave of "The Old Free Press Building" Acton's newest stores.

Two other retiring staff members were also honored at the dinner. Free Press Editor Kay Dills, leaving after 28 years on staff was presented with a small gift from Oral Norton of the composing room. Elizabeth (Kit) Dowding, who left recently after 20 years in the accounting department, was presented with a gift from former office manager, and now Free Press publisher Don McDonald.

The absence of these four friends is felt each day, but the memory of their long service and hard work is an inspiration to all.

Mourn Mr. Allen

Dear Editor:

Through your newspaper the staff of Robert Little School wishes to express sincere thanks to everyone who helped enable the teachers of this school to attend the funeral of our principal, Mr. Allen.

Many principals and staff of area schools provided teachers to cover our classes, and a number of parent volunteers offered their time as well. It was a well co-ordinated effort which we deeply appreciate.

Yours sincerely,
Staff of Robert Little

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the parents, students and staff of St. Joseph's Separate School, may I extend my condolences to the parents, students and staff of Robert Little Public School on the recent death of their principal, Mr. Hazen Allen.

Since St. Joseph's School opened, Mr. Allen's concern for our well-being has been greatly evident. Our respect for Mr. Allen as a Principal and as a man grew with each passing month. His death was felt almost as strongly at St. Joseph's as it was at Robert Little. Without doubt, the passing of Mr. Allen means the loss of a dear and close friend.

Yours truly,
J. H. Briggs
Principal,
St. Joseph's School.

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