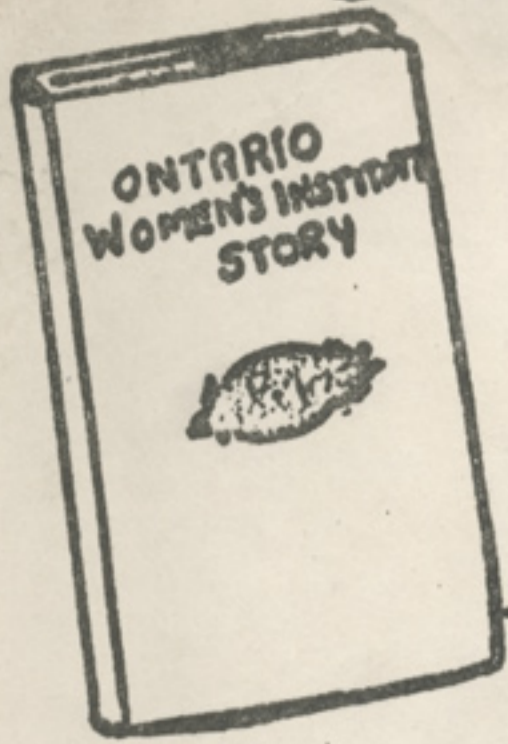


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Schreiber

Rebekahs' Card Party Successful

The Rebekah telephone card party, held April 4 in the homes of Mrs. Alice Sparkes, Mrs. Mavis Slater, Mrs. Eirene Harness, Mrs. Florence Fischer, Mrs. Gladys Hamilton, in Schreiber, Mrs. Florie Miller, in Terrace Bay, was a most successful occasion.

Prizes were won as follows: high whist, Nettie Thrower, 125; consolation, Judy Cameron; grand slam, Etta Gray and Marj. Morrill.

High bridge, Helen Stokes, 3200; consolation, Bern When, 310.

High bridge, male, Cyril Sparkes, 2240; consolation Dale Sparkes, 1040.

Hidden score, whist, Edith Birch, 109; hidden score, bridge, Janet Hayman, 2410.

Draw prize, Louise Karns and Donna Gorman; birthday, Winnie Clemens and Joyce Gordon; largest number of guests hostess, Mavis Slater.

Largest number of male guests hostess, Alice Sparkes; hostess wearing pink, Eirene Harness.

Schreiber May, 1971

Women's Institute Meets

Mrs. Joe Campbell presided for the May meeting of Schreiber Women's Institute, with eight members present and Mrs. P. Dzioba and daughter Susana welcomed as guests.

Motto for the meeting was "None can replace a mother." A donation was made to the Cancer Society.

Delegates named to attend annual district meeting at Nipigon were Mrs. A. Todesco, Mrs. Wesley Clemens and Mrs. Campbell.

Mrs. N. Williamson of Murillo asked in a letter for information about the first organization of the branch and said that the individual exhibit of a member of the WI will be an embroidered design on the 75th anniversary. The fair committee

also desires any old books or articles made in the projects through the WI for its display on the 75th anniversary.

Mrs. Ileen Williamson brought interesting letters from two pen friends in England, writing about their family lives, hobbies and interests and the Women's Institute in their country.

Mrs. Baxter reported she had sent six birthday cards and three sympathy cards. Mrs. Chris Morris presented an inventory of the cupboards.

Members agreed to have new program books made for the coming year and also decided to make aprons, cushion covers and table cloths from the quantity of remnants which had been donated. These will be sold at the penny auction on June

2 in the town hall.

For their Mother's Day program Mrs. Morris read a poem "What will happen to Grandma?"; Mrs. T. Bolan read "The Door To A Mother's Heart"; Mrs. Campbell read "A Tear and a Sigh" and Mrs. Clemens read the poem "Mother".

The report on the dessert tea was given by Mrs. Clemens.

As one of the aspects of the agricultural activities is a study of the library, the members made a tour of Schreiber's library where the librarian, Mrs. Bill Kirkpatrick answered their many questions regarding the types of books, reference section, paintings on display, films, and art objects also on display.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Morris and Mrs. E. O'Connor.

CANADA'S STORY

Lost Astrolabe Dug Up In 1867



By BOB BOWMAN

In May, 1613, Champlain left St. Helen's Island (site of Expo 67) and began a trip up the Ottawa River. He was accompanied by a young man called Vignau who told him that the Ottawa River led to a huge lake where there was wreckage of an English ship along the shore. Champlain hoped that this was a route to China for which all explorers had been searching since Columbus and Cabot.

When Champlain got up the river as far as present-day Renfrew on June 7, he left his canoe and walked through the woods to Muskrat Lake. He knew an Algonquin chief there and hoped he might be able to get more information from him.

During the walk through the woods, Champlain was carrying a gun and supplies, and was also kept busy swatting mosquitoes. This caused him to drop his astrolabe, an instrument for reading the stars and determining his position. Then he met the Indian chief who laughed at Vignau's story, and the young man confessed that it was not true. Champlain abandoned his plans to go far-

ther which would have been dangerous, in any case, without the astrolabe. The Indians accompanied him down the Ottawa River again to Chaudiere Falls where they performed a ceremony to ensure his protection against all enemies. They danced around a plate of tobacco which was then hurled into the cauldron.

Champlain's lost astrolabe was found in 1867 by a farmer who was ploughing land near Renfrew. It was in perfect condition and the date of its manufacture, 1603, could be seen clearly.

The astrolabe is now in a New York museum.

Other June 7 Events

1576—Martin Frobisher sailed from England on first voyage to Baffin Island.
1585—John Davis sailed on first voyage to Davis Strait.
1677—La Durantaye claimed Lake Huron-Lake St. Clair area for France.
1691—Francois Le Moine and others were killed by Iroquois.
1858 — Steamer "Surprise" sailed up Fraser River to Hope, B.C.