

FEBRUARY MEETING OF LADIES AUXILIARY

Mrs. Lorraine Weaver, president of the ladies auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 109 welcomed four new members at the February meeting: Mrs. Patricia Campbell, Mrs. Jacqueline Imbeault, Mrs. Judy Bryson and Mrs. Phyllis Luke. There were twenty nine attending the meeting.

A donation was made to the Athletic Scholarships open to high school students.

Standing committee convenors appointed were: Mrs. C. Morris, Membership; Mrs. J. Crook, Sick and Visiting; Mrs. C. Dunham, Social Evenings; Mrs. G. Davis and Mrs. E. Johnson, Sport; Mrs. V. McKenna and Mrs. R. Hiller, Socials and Entertainment; Mrs. W. Martin and Mrs. C. Miller, Decorating; Mrs. A. Richardson, Draws.

Mrs. Rena Ross volunteered to again take charge of the annual collection for the Salvation Army - a long time project of the Legion. Mrs. Georgina Davis agreed to assist.

Mrs. Lorraine Huard thanked those who had assisted her at the children's Christmas party.

It was agreed to again place the date of meetings on Kinette's calendar.

Mrs. Davis gave a detailed report of the preparations made for the Sweatheart Bonspiel on February 13 and 14, open to members of the Legion and Auxiliary. Following the bonspiel there will be dinner in the Legion for the curlers, with non-curlers welcome, paying \$2.00 a plate. A social evening with live music for dancing will end the gala event.

Minutes of the January meeting and executive meeting and the treasurer's report were adopted as read by Mrs. Beatrice McCuaig and Mrs. Rena Ross.

CHIMO RENDEZVOUS

The Chimo Club, on the main Street in Schreiber, has become the long needed rendezvous in the centre of the town. Retired railroaders, engineers, conductors, dispatchers and other retired railroaders, still play their favourite game of cards there, frequently surprised by the skill of the custodian, Mrs. Christine Dunham. Occasional bridge games are arranged and everyday those getting their mail, going to the Bank or shopping drop in for a coffee and visit.

Town affairs are discussed and most enjoyable are the times when a "good hand" (at cards) is laid down while a certain trip on the road, or former official is discussed.

The Bank of Montreal, who formerly occupied the building, donated it to the town to be

used as a senior citizens centre, in appreciation of the long time customers who had dealt with them.

It is these same senior citizens, who recall with a chuckle, that "their" Bank of Montreal had a "Bag Man". Before they had a building on the corner they sent a representative from the Lakehead, with literally, a bag of money to cash the C.P.R. men's cheques - and then, when per capita, Schreiber had the highest payroll in Canada.

So, a visit to the Chimo Club, often is spent in recalling former managers and others on the staff of the Bank. They talk of when Archie Herriot, former teller, returned from the first world war, with the loss of both legs, and an almost useless arm, was made manager. After a few years he was transferred to Toronto, as manager. They also remember Ed Hesson's daughter, Madame Jean Hesson, Pengelly, who was lately retired and honoured as one of Canada's most noted singers, beginning her career, singing at school concerts in Schreiber. They give some credit to those in Schreiber who had encouraged her. At the height of her career, she came back, with her entourage, to sing to Schreiber.

Of course, it is the one place, where everyone is given a turn in bragging, of their children and grandchildren's accomplishments, and positions.

Where, after certain amounts of grumbling is done about the cost of education feathers are preened when it is realized that few, if any, such small communities, can boast of children who occupy such positions of high esteem in Canada, as theirs.

ART CLUB

Mrs. S. Beurgeois, president of the Schreiber Art Club, was pleased to announce at their February 1 meeting, that Gordon Bongrard will conduct a course in portrait painting, sponsored by Confederation College, on March 13, 14 and 15 in the Schreiber Public School.

A letter from the Department of Health and Welfare was read, alerting the club to the danger of asbestos in some sculpture and paint supplies.

An art course for beginners and advanced painters will be held in Quetico Centre.

Films will be shown following the next meeting on March 7. This is to be followed by a lunch supplied by Mrs. Cyril Sparks and a social hour.

STORK CLUB

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brassard, of Schreiber, a boy on February 3rd.