

Institute's Thirty-sixth Annual Meeting

The 36th Annual Meeting of the North Ontario District Women's Institute was held at Zephyr on Tuesday, June 5th, with an attendance of seventy-five, every branch being represented. The morning session opened at ten o'clock with Mrs. Dukelow, the President presiding, Mona Armstrong, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas, led the community singing after which the Institute Ode was sung and the Lord's prayer was repeated in unison.

The minutes of the previous Annual Meeting were read and adopted. The Secretary-Treasurer submitted the district audited financial statement showing a balance of \$14.94, also the summary of financial statements of the Institute branches, showing receipts of \$2328.72, expenditures \$1712.77, this was an increase of \$400 over last year.

The President expressed her regret that she had not been able to visit the Institute Branches, but was pleased to know there had been an increase in membership and that the interest in the work had been well maintained. She was sorry to learn there was a possibility of the Goodwood Branch disbanding because they were unable to secure officers. She welcomed the new Junior Institute of Uxbridge.

Correspondence was read and general business followed. An invitation was extended to hold the District Annual at Gamebridge in 1946.

Following the report of the nominating committee, Mrs. N. White, Federation Representative, conducted the election of officers which resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Geo. Dukelow, Beaverton; 1st Vice President—Mrs. Norman Shier, Gamebridge; 2nd Vice President—Mrs. Don

Munro, Gamebridge; 3rd Vice President—Mrs. Byron Rusborough, Sandford; 4th Vice President—Mrs. D. Speedie, Brechin; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. R. A. Armstrong, Zephyr; Federation Representative—Mrs. R. A. Armstrong; Alternate—Mrs. Wm. Burns, Delegate to Area Convention—Mrs. C. Dudenhoffer.

Conveners of Standing Committees Agriculture and Canadian Industries—Mrs. R. Barbour, Uptergrove; Citizenship—Mrs. C. Dudenhoffer; Gamebridge Social Welfare—Mrs. M. Harrington, Udney; Historical Research—Mrs. G. Johnston, Blackwater; Home Economics—Mrs. A. Gillespie, Beaverton R.R.1; Publicity—Mrs. W. H. Burns, Beaverton R.R.1; War Work—Mrs. Ray Brethour, Sunderland; Resolutions—Mrs. R. Rilance, Beaverton R.R.2; Auditors—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rynard, Zephyr; Convener of Nominating Committee—Mrs. D. W. Walls; Representative to Federation of Agriculture of County of Ontario—Mrs. R. G. Barbour and Mrs. W. H. Burns.

The Branch Secretaries gave interesting reports of the work done during the year. All showed much time and money spent in the interest of the war. Donations of money and gifts were sent to the Navy League, Seeds for Britain, Red Cross Box Fund, Russian Relief, Sugar Fund, British War Victim, etc. All branches reported sending boxes and comforts to local men in the armed forces overseas, also remembering the sick and shut-ins at home.

Mrs. F. Walden of the Department spoke on the Junior work. She congratulated the Institute for the work accomplished and stressed very strongly the necessity of Institute members to sponsor and help young girl work. The Garden

Brigade project is very worth while, especially when food is so much needed. She regretted that North Ontario had not done very much along this line, and hoped for more interest in the future.

The afternoon session opened with community singing after which Mrs. Carl Meyers gave the address of welcome to which Mrs. Johnston replied. Mrs. Dudenhoffer gave her report of the Convention.

Miss Collins of the Department gave an interesting account of her visit with Miss Christmas who is in Canada in the interest of the Women's Institute of England. After some discussion of the cooperative program it was decided the District project be a one day conference on Health Education, the subject chosen, "Signs and Symptoms of Illness." Meetings to be held after November 15th at the branches.

Mrs. N. White brought greetings from the Provincial Board. She spoke briefly of her visit to the Sick Children's Hospital and stated the Women's Institute would soon be asked for donations toward the amount of money required for a new hospital. She gave an explanation of the Institute program showing the relation of the Dominion, Provincial, Convention Area, District and Branch work, pointing out clearly the functions of standing committees.

During the afternoon Mona Armstrong and Mrs. Thomas sang very beautiful solos which were enjoyed by all.

The district conveners gave the reports of standing committees. These showed varied activities and much work done along the lines suggested by the Department. Mr. Hale of Orillia spoke briefly emphasizing the importance of

FREED OF CHARGES



Pte. Joseph McGee, Jr. above, had been sentenced to two years in the disciplinary barracks at Fort Harrison, Mass., for hitting nine Nazi prisoners of war in France. Following a war department investigation into the case, Pte. McGee was released and restored to active duty in the U.S. Army.

Two weeks tonight (Wednesday) is the Lions Club big carnival and dance so be sure you have your draw tickets. There are no less than twenty-seven chances.

Institute work in relation to the youth of our country.

Mrs. Bruns expressed the appreciation of the meeting to the speakers, the soloists, the ladies of Zephyr for their hospitality and to all others who had contributed to the day's success.

The meeting closed with God Save the King.

GREENWOOD LADY HEADS DIST. INSTITUTE

At the South Ontario District Annual meeting held at Kinsale on Wednesday last, the following officers were elected: President, Miss May Brown, Greenwood; vice-presidents, Mrs. R. Brady, Whitby, Mrs. L. Honey, Honeydale, Miss Helen Jackson, Brooklin; sec-treas. Mrs. Heron, Federation representative, Mrs. N. J. White, Brooklin; alternate, Mrs. Holliday, Brooklin; district delegate to convention, Mrs. McIntyre, Claremont; alternate, Mrs. J. Wagg, rep. to Federation of Agriculture, Mrs. McCool, Brooklin; resolutions, Mrs. H. Hockin, Shirley; auditors, Mrs. Jones and Miss C. Simpson.

Whitby won the brief case for the best program for the year, judged by Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Wagg and Miss Collins.

Mrs. F. Roberts, Whitby, assisted by five members conducted an impressive memorial service in memory of seven members who have passed to their reward since the last district annual.

Miss Collins, from the Dept. of Agriculture, was the speaker of the afternoon, mentioning in passing that Queen Elizabeth is President of Sandringham branch.

Mrs. L. Johnston's splendidly arranged book on Historical Research has gone to Victoria, B.C. with the delegates who are attending the Biennial convention.

Mrs. Johnson, Claremont, thanked the ladies of Kinsale W.A. for the hot lunch served at noon.

Almost 500 women doctors have been serving for some time with the Royal Army Medical Corps in the United Kingdom, on the continent of Europe, in Italy, the Middle East, and India. Fully Commissioned, with the rank, pay and privileges of their male fellow officers, they have been performing all regular army medical duties with the exception of front-line combat service and field ambulance duties.

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THERE'S ENOUGH IN THE SUGAR BOWL...

If we all share equally

We Canadians, together with the citizens of the United States and Great Britain, will eat less sugar during the balance of 1945.

To meet our own needs and the urgent requirements of our Allies and the liberated countries, our share of the reduction must total nearly 200,000,000 pounds of sugar during the rest of the year.

To assure fair distribution of what is left, the sugar ration is to be cut by five

pounds during the next seven months by reducing the monthly allotment to one pound in June, July, August, October and December. In September and November, the allowance will remain unchanged at two pounds.

The ten pound sugar allotment for home canning, represented by twenty extra preserves coupons, remains unchanged. Two regular preserves coupons will continue to be valid each month.

ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT SUGAR

Q. How does Canada get its share of world sugar supplies?

A. World stocks are pooled by the Combined Food Board of the United Nations which allots sugar to Canada, United States and Great Britain on a uniform per capita basis.

Q. Where does the rest of the world sugar supply go?

A. To other claimants, including liberated areas, European neutrals, Russia, the Middle East, New Zealand and other sugar-importing countries. Approximately one-half of this total is destined for liberated areas.

Q. Is there less sugar in the world today?

A. Yes. Because needs are up and production is down, world sugar stocks reached a new low at the beginning of 1945. By the end of the year, they will be down again, this time to a dangerous minimum.



Q. Why is there more demand for sugar?

A. The rising demand largely reflects the needs of liberated areas.

Q. Why is there less production?

- A.** World sugar output is lower for these reasons:
1. Enemy occupation of some sources such as Java and the Philippines. Java, of course, is still in Japanese hands and, although the Philippines are liberated, production is not expected to be restored until late in 1946.
 2. Other export countries have experienced serious shortages of labour and fertilizer.
 3. Record drought conditions and hurricanes have also cut into production in the important West Indian area.

INDUSTRIAL AND QUOTA USERS WILL ALSO GET LESS

Effective July 1, 1945, sugar made available to industrial users, such as bakers, biscuit and breakfast cereal manufacturers, makers of soft drinks, confectionery and candy, and jam and wine manufacturers, will again be reduced.

A further cut is also being made in the allotment to quota users, such as public eating places, while similar reductions are being made by the Armed Forces in the sugar quotas for service personnel.

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