PORTLAND UNITED CHURCH U.C.W.

The regular monthly meeting of Portland U.C.W. was held Tuesday evening, November 21st, in the Church hall.

Mrs. Vivian Perrin introduced
Mrs. Shirley Greene to the group,
as guest speaker. Mrs. Greene
spoke of the Home Maker Program,
how it has been functioning in the
past, and explaining how monies
have been received to carry on this
very worthwhile work.

She spoke very highly of the response of the Council's different organizations and individuals in the area. The Red Cross has been approached to take over the management and with a lot of persuasion, because of the distance from their headquarters, they are considering setting up a sub-branch in this area. A meeting is to be held Wednesday evening, November 22nd in the Elgin School, giving general information concerning this, and Mrs. Greene hoped for a good representation and interest at this meeting.

Mrs. Lynne Evans thanked Mrs. Greene on behalf of all the ladies for her very informative and explanatory talk.

Mrs. Cora Dowsett, President, opened the business with a prayer. Minutes of the October meeting were read and with a slight correction were approved.

Roll call was answered by 12 members, giving number of sick visits made.

1 visitor was present.

Reports were given by Treasurer, Mrs. Lucille Strong and sick and hospital correspondent, Mrs. Hazel Diamond.

Correspondence was read, including thank-you notes from Mr. & Mrs. John McDonald and Mr. & Mrs. Glen Rogers.

Plans were finalized for looking after sale table at Rideau Craft Christmas sale on November 25th.

Moved by Lynne Evans, seconded by Vivian Perrin that the U.C.W. purchase the usual items for the Sunday School Christmas pot luck supper. Carried.

Mrs. Dowsett closed, reading the prayer, "For the Compassion of Jesus".

Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Evans and
Mrs. Vanderschuit were responsible
for the Devotion. They chose the
Candle Advent Service, with Mrs. Perrin
reading the part of the leader,
Mrs. Evans reading the scripture, and
all reading the response. Mrs. Sylvia
French played for the hymns.

The offering was received and dedicated. Mrs. Evans conducted an advent quiz, answers being found from the scriptures which had been read during the service.

Lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Sylvia French and Mrs. Pat Carr.

A.C.W. PORTLAND

The November meeting of the A.C.W. was held at the home of Mrs. Byron Myers, on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 8 p.m.

The President, Betty James, opened the meeting with members' prayer and the Lord's prayer. A.C.W. Portland (Cont')

Reeve Fred Lake was introduced and in turn, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. R. Hurley of Maple View Lodge in Athens. She gave us an insight into the life the residents enjoy at the home. She also explained how we can help family members to make the transition. The President thanked Mrs. Hurley for her enlightening remarks.

The business meeting followed with the minutes of the last meeting, correspondence and treasurer's report.

The Devotional period was conducted by Margaret Stinson and Barbara Bakker. The theme was "contentment" and Remembrance Day.

Plans were made for catering to a banquet in December, a bake table at Rideau Crafts Christmas market and Mmas gifts for shut-ins.

The President closed the meeting with prayer.

The hostess, assisted by the convenors Betty James and Carol Thompson, served delicious refreshments.

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