

# PHILIPSVILLE

## Philipsville Women's Institute

The Philipsville Women's Institute held their May meeting in their hall on May 5th. Meeting opened with the Ode and Mary Stewart Collect.

Roll call was answered by paying a penny for the size of your shoe.

Minutes were read and approved from previous meeting.

New business was dealt with, gifts and cards are being given to some who helped with the fish fry, which was a success.

Final plans were made in regards to the District Annual being held in Chaffey's Locks. Plans were made in regards to entering the exhibit in Delta Fair.

Also everyone is asked to still collect the computer marks on all the products and also the Canada Packers labels and give them to any of the members.

This closed the business part of the meeting. Mrs. Stone read a poem "Be A Friend".

The June meeting is the program planning and everyone is to have something for it. The meeting will start at 1:00 p.m.

Mrs. Davison recited a poem, which seems to be quite true today, it is entitled "Darwin's Mistake in Monkeydom".

Three monkeys sat on a cocoanut tree  
Discussing things as they're said to be  
Said one to the other - Now listen you two  
There's a certain rumour that can't be true  
That man descended from our noble race -  
The very idea is sure a disgrace,  
No monkey ever deserted his wife  
Starved her babies and ruined her life,  
And you've never known another monk  
To leave her babies with others to bunk,

Or pass them on from one to another  
Till they hardly know which one is their mother,  
And another thing you will never see -  
A monk build a fence around a cocoanut tree  
And let the cocoanuts go to waste,  
Forbidding all other monks a taste  
Why if I put a fence around this tree,  
Starvation would force you to steal from me.  
And here's something else a monk wouldn't do  
Go out at night and get on a stew  
Or use a gun or a club or a knife  
To take some other poor monkey's life  
Yes, man descended - the ornery cuss  
But brother, he didn't descend from us!

Leorene Hayes

Mrs. Davison is one of our older members and I sure hope I have a memory left when I hit her age, well into her 80's.

## Gananoque District Branch of the Ontario Association of Superannuated Teachers

Forty-four members and the district director of the Gananoque District Branch of the O.A.S.W.T. assembled at noon on April 30th, in the Conservation Hall at Lyndhurst for their spring dinner meeting.

At 12:30 p.m., after grace was offered by Dorothy Dodds, all partook of a full-course turkey dinner catered to by the members of the Lyndhurst United Church Women.

Seated at the head table were Mrs. Mildred Milligan, Kingston, the newly elected district director; Mrs. Stella Cheetham, past director; Mrs. Helen Prosser, president; Mrs. Hilda Cardiff, Mrs. Doris Potter and Mrs. Elsie Mainse.

Three of the members, Mrs. Lettie Mitchell and Miss Lena McNeil, both of Lansdowne and Mrs. Miriam Young of Lyndhurst, who were teaching in 1918, were honoured by Katherine Scott, who presented each with a dainty satin corsage. Two others, Miss Mildred Haskins of Westport and Kay Simpson of Gananoque, were unable to attend.

In memory of two departed members, Miss Mabel Carpenter and Mrs. Madeline Glover, a two minutes silence was observed.

Stella Cheetham, past director, introduced the guest speaker - Mrs. Mildred Milligan, who spoke on her theme for the year, "Sisterhood". She congratulated the group on their past activities, and offered her best wishes for their hopes for the future. Doris Potter, in thanking Mrs. Milligan, disclosed the view that "even in our age group, young people can be refreshing to our lives."

Reports given by secretary Hilda Cardiff; treasurer Doris Potter; Insurance Roberta McMunn; Social and program, Stella Cheetham; Publicity Dorothy Dodds

and Archivist Elsie Mainse were read and adopted. It was decided to purchase a memorial book.

Katherine Scott, with alternate Stella Cheetham, will be the delegate to the convention in Sudbury.

The president expressed the gratefulness of the group to the Lyndhurst U.C.W. members, to which Helen Moorehead replied.

Stella Cheetham invited the members to her cottage for a noon pot-luck dinner on July 9.

Hilda Cardiff spoke a few words to the past president, Helen Prosser in gratitude of her untiring work in her role of president.

Doris Potter gave the report of the nominating committee. As Mrs. Prosser wished to step down, vice-president Katherine Scott accepted the office of president and Stella Cheetham will act as vice-president. The other officers remain the same. Representatives of each locality within the district were chosen. The executive was installed by Mrs. Milligan.

The program arranged by the Lyndhurst members, included a humorous monologue on the issue of "The Prohibition of the Ridiculous Misuse of Nursery Rhyme Books" enacted by Rita Hollister in her usual talented manner.

Elsie Mainse, who with her husband, had the opportunity last fall of accompanying a group of retired teachers and their spouses to Cuba, showed a slide show and gave a commentary of the vegetation, once flourishing villa, beautiful beaches and the schools.

Katherine Scott thanked Elsie and presented her with a sketch of the former Elgin Continuation School, where Elsie was once principal.

Mary Dillon moved the adjournment of the meeting. Each person felt this had been one of the most enjoyable meetings.

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